



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended December 31, 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Bushmills Ethanol, Inc
Atwater, Minnesota

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Bushmills Ethanol, Inc** (a Minnesota cooperative), which comprise the balance sheets as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of operations, changes in members' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **Bushmills Ethanol, Inc** as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of **Bushmills Ethanol, Inc** and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **Bushmills Ethanol, Inc's** ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of **Bushmills Ethanol, Inc's** internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **Bushmills Ethanol, Inc's** ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.



Willmar, Minnesota
February 17, 2025

BUSHMILLS ETHANOL, INC
BALANCE SHEETS
December 31, 2024 and 2023

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

	2024		2023
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 31,490,144	\$	63,521,879
Accounts receivable	6,003,731		10,560,342
Inventories	13,378,094		11,546,849
Prepaid expenses	749,301		724,181
Hedge accounts	3,087,777		-

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS

54,709,047 86,353,251

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Land and improvements	5,659,373		5,659,373
Buildings	7,664,334		7,664,334
Vehicles	81,374		81,374
Office equipment	476,047		476,047
Plant equipment	115,200,279		103,182,691
Construction in progress	2,709,662		1,057,717
	131,791,069		118,121,536
Accumulated depreciation	(88,978,944)		(85,242,823)
	42,812,125		32,878,713

OTHER ASSETS

Financing costs, net of amortization	8,017		26,657
Restricted cash	631,497		600,159
Right-of-use assets - operating leases	5,746,152		7,240,196
Investments	10,282,897		10,126,638
	16,668,563		17,993,650

TOTAL ASSETS

\$ 114,189,735 \$ 137,225,614

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 11,634,458	\$	22,014,421
Accounts payable - related party	5,531,039		7,542,683
Accrued expenses	1,135,065		1,295,506
Deferred corn pool fees	60,500		5,355
Current maturities of lease liability - operating leases	1,495,067		1,520,364
Hedge accounts	-		173,634

TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES

19,856,129 32,551,963

LEASE LIABILITY - OPERATING, net of current maturities

4,251,085 5,719,832

MEMBERS' EQUITY

90,082,521 98,953,819

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

\$ 114,189,735 \$ 137,225,614

Excerpted from audited financial statements.

BUSHMILLS ETHANOL, INC
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
SALES	\$ 182,134,103	\$ 240,532,150
COST OF SALES	<u>161,077,722</u>	<u>210,074,591</u>
GROSS PROFIT	21,056,381	30,457,559
OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>4,361,179</u>	<u>4,551,319</u>
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	16,695,202	25,906,240
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)		
Interest and dividend income	1,622,050	1,151,098
Interest expense	(45,000)	(65,000)
Miscellaneous income	3,671	13,213
	<u>1,580,721</u>	<u>1,099,311</u>
NET INCOME	\$ <u><u>18,275,923</u></u>	\$ <u><u>27,005,551</u></u>

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BUSHMILLS ETHANOL, INC
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY
Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

BALANCE - December 31, 2022	\$ 93,762,518
Membership fees - patron	4,500
Distributions	(21,818,750)
Net income	<u>27,005,551</u>
BALANCE - December 31, 2023	98,953,819
Membership fees - patron	5,000
Distributions	(27,152,221)
Net income	<u>18,275,923</u>
BALANCE - December 31, 2024	\$ <u><u>90,082,521</u></u>

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BUSHMILLS ETHANOL, INC
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	\$ 18,275,923	\$ 27,005,551
Charges to net income not affecting cash		
Depreciation and amortization	3,754,761	4,021,770
Realized and unrealized (gains) losses on hedging activities	(1,787,904)	(688,712)
(Increase) decrease in current assets		
Accounts receivable	4,556,611	(3,827,787)
Prepaid accounts	(25,120)	(81,512)
Net cash received from (paid on) hedging activities	(1,473,507)	5,837,167
Inventories	(1,831,245)	1,949,786
Increase (decrease) in current liabilities		
Accounts payable	(12,163,132)	5,642,594
Accrued expenses	(160,441)	35,087
Deferred corn pool fees	55,145	(21,418)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>9,201,091</u>	<u>39,872,526</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of property and equipment	(13,898,008)	(2,478,206)
Purchases of investments	(331,061)	(1,336,954)
Redemption of investments	174,802	-
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>(14,054,267)</u>	<u>(3,815,160)</u>
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Distributions to members	(27,152,221)	(21,818,750)
Proceeds from membership fees	5,000	4,500
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<u>(27,147,221)</u>	<u>(21,814,250)</u>
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	<u>(32,000,397)</u>	<u>14,243,116</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - beginning of year	<u>64,122,038</u>	<u>49,878,922</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - end of year	<u>\$ 32,121,641</u>	<u>\$ 64,122,038</u>
RECONCILIATION OF CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 31,490,144	\$ 63,521,879
Restricted cash	631,497	600,159
Total cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	<u>\$ 32,121,641</u>	<u>\$ 64,122,038</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Cash paid for interest	\$ <u>45,000</u>	\$ <u>65,000</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Equipment purchase included in accounts payable	\$ <u>228,475</u>	\$ <u>-</u>
Right-of-use operating assets and liabilities incurred upon lease execution (see Note I)	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>4,369,476</u>

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