

## **Advantex Announces Fiscal 2024 Second Quarter Results**

## Continuing significant improvements in operational financial metrics

- Core activity Merchant Cash Advance program Revenues increased 105.1% to \$581,756 in second quarter and 69.9% to \$1,107,445 in YTD second quarter.
- Total Revenues increased 97.5% to \$863,982 in second quarter and 57.7% to \$1,612,160 in YTD second quarter.
- Gross Profit increased 96.1% to \$671,301 in second quarter and 66.5% to \$1,259,088 in YTD second quarter.
- Flat SG&A. \$455,029 vs. \$441,920 in second quarter and \$866,311 vs. \$861,052 in YTD second quarter.
- Earnings from operations before depreciation, amortization and interest \$216,272 in second quarter and \$392,777 in YTD second quarter. Significant turnaround of \$315,848 in second quarter and \$497,824 in YTD second quarter from loss positions in the corresponding periods in the previous year.
- Decrease in Loss from operations before non-cash expenses. Reduction of \$151,043 to \$258,564 in second quarter and \$183,442 to \$545,713 in YTD second quarter.

**Toronto, February 28, 2024** -- Advantex Marketing International Inc. (CSE: ADX) ("Advantex"), a leader in the merchant cash advance and loyalty marketing products for merchants, announced its results for three and six months ended December 31, 2023.

Post pandemic improvements in operational financial metrics which were gradual until fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, are accelerating and reflect execution of strategies to re-build Advantex business levels, initially to prepandemic levels and then to capitalize on a strengthening economy to achieve growth.

Advantex carries a higher debt load to support re-build of its business and for general corporate purposes, and this is a reason for increase in interest costs in the second quarter and YTD second quarter vs. corresponding periods in the previous year. This debt consists of fixed coupon non-convertible debentures which provide general working capital and a line of credit which carries a floating interest rate - a base rate plus prime rate - and which is used exclusively for growth of the core activity. The increase in prime rates during 2023 was the factor that hurt the financial performance for July-August 2023 period, but this was offset by reduction in the base rate from September 2023. Despite increase in interest costs Loss from operations before non-cash expenses was a reduction vs. corresponding periods in the previous year of \$151,043 to \$258,564 in second quarter and \$183,442 to \$545,713 in YTD second quarter.

The above improvement in Loss from operations before non-cash expenses is masked by increase in non-cash expenses. Increase in non-cash expenses is primarily on account of accretion charges which reflect outcome of prescribed accounting connected to the non-convertible debentures.

Highlights are provided in the tabulation in this news release comparing three and six months ended December 31, 2023, with three and six months ended December 31, 2022.

	3 months ended December 31 (second quarter)							6 ended December 31 (YTD second quarter)					
		<u>23</u>	<u>22</u>		Inc./(Dec)		<u>23</u>		<u>22</u>		Inc./(Dec)		
1		<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>		\$		\$		<u>\$</u>	
Revenues													
Merchant Cash Advance ("MCA") program	\$	581,756	\$	283,655	\$	298,101	\$	1,107,445	\$	651,915	\$	455,530	
Reseller-Aeroplan program-Loyalty marketing	\$	282,226	\$	153,896	\$	128,330	\$	504,715	\$	370,473	\$	134,24	
	\$	863,982	\$	437,551	\$	426,431	\$	1,612,160	\$	1,022,388	\$	589,777	
Gross profit	\$	671,301	\$	342,344	\$	328,957	\$	1,259,088	\$	756,005	\$	503,083	
Selling and General & administrative expenses	\$	455,029	\$	441,920	\$	13,109	\$	866,311	\$	861,052	\$	5,259	
Earnings/(Loss) from operations before depreciation, amortization and interest	\$	216,272	\$	(99,576)	\$	315,848	\$	392,777	\$	(105,047)	\$	497,824	
Stated interest expense - loan payable (utilized exclusively to support 90% of funds deployed in MCA program, balance 10% is from working capital available to Advantex	\$	237,570	\$	107,889	\$	129,681	\$	463,958	\$	219,823	\$	244,135	
Stated interest expense - 9% non-convertible debentures payable, and 12% non- convertible debentures payable (general working capital, including to support 10% of funds deployed in MCA)	\$	237,266		202,142		35,124		474,532		404,285	\$	70,24	
(Loss) from operations before non-cash expenses	\$	(258,564)	\$	(409,607)	\$	(151,043)	\$	(545,713)	\$	(729,155)	\$	(183,442	
Non-cash interest expense - 1) accretion charges and restructuring bonus respecting 9% non-convertible debentures payable, 2) amortization of transaction costs respecting 9% non-convertible debentures payable and 12% non convertible debentures payable, and 3) interest on lease	\$	270,212	\$	217,924	\$	52,288	\$	533,020	\$	429,780	\$	103,24	
Net (loss) and comprehensive (loss)	\$	(528,776)	\$	(627,531)	\$	(98,755)	\$	(1,078,733)	\$	(1,158,935)	\$	(80,20	

The above tabulation is a non-GAAP presentation and is provided to assist readers in understanding Advantex's financial performance. The information is extracted from interim consolidated financial statements for three and six months ended December 31, 2023.

## **About Advantex**

Advantex provides working capital to merchants. Advantex also provides specialized marketing programs that enable members of Aeroplan to earn Aeroplan points at participating merchants.

Advantex shares trade on the Canadian Securities Exchange under the symbol ADX. For more information go to Advantex's profile on <a href="https://www.sedarplus.com">www.sedarplus.com</a>

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Advantex Marketing International Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Financial Position (unaudited)
(expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Note	D	ecember 31, 2023	June 30, 2023		
			<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>	
Assets						
Current assets						
Cash		\$	155,598	\$	340,427	
Accounts receivable	_		66,631		84,917	
Transaction credits	5		5,645,935		5,641,940	
Prepaid expenses and sundry assets			1,416		1,416	
		\$	5,869,580	\$	6,068,700	
Total assets		\$	5,869,580	\$	6,068,700	
Liabilities						
Current liabilities						
Loan payable	6	\$	5,869,038	\$	5,992,287	
Loan	16		60,000		60,000	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities			3,605,951		3,590,699	
Accounts payable and accraca nabilities		\$	9,534,989	\$	9,642,986	
Non-current liabilities						
9% non-convertible debentures payable	7	\$	9,749,158	\$	8,765,806	
12% non-convertible debentures payable	8		300,696		278,136	
Deferred fair value adjustment on 12% non-convertible			73,691		91,993	
debentures payable		\$	10,123,546	\$	9,135,935	
Total liabilities		\$	19,658,535	\$	18,778,921	
Shareholders' deficiency						
Share capital	9	\$	24,530,555	\$	24,530,555	
Contributed surplus			7,901,617		7,901,617	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss			(47,383)		(47,383)	
Deficit			(46,173,744)		(45,095,010)	
Total deficiency		\$	(13,788,955)	\$	(12,710,221)	
Total liabilities and deficiency		\$	5,869,580	\$	6,068,700	

Going concern (note 2) and Commitments and contingencies (note 12)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements

Approved by the Board

**Director:** Signed "Marc Lavine" Marc Lavine

**Director:** Signed "Kelly Ambrose" Kelly Ambrose Advantex Marketing International Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss (unaudited)
For the three and six months ended December 31, 2023 and 2022
(expressed in Canadian dollars)

		18	months ende	mber 31	6 months ended December 31				
	Note		2023		2022	2023			2022
			<u>\$</u>		\$	(	<u> </u>		<u>\$</u>
Revenues	15								
Marketing activities		\$	282,226	\$	153,896	\$	504,715	\$	370,473
Interest income			581,756		283,655	1	,107,445		651,915
		\$	863,982	\$	437,551	\$ 1	,612,160	\$	1,022,388
Direct expenses	14/15		192,681		95,207		353,072		266,383
			671,301		342,344	1	,259,088		756,005
Operating expenses									
Selling and marketing	14/15		151,731		140,389		289,907		275,136
General and administrative	14/15		303,298		301,531		576,404		585,916
Earnings/(Loss) from operations before depreciation,									
amortization and interest			216,272		(99,576)		392,777		(105,047)
Stated interest expense									
Loan payable	6		237,570		107,889		463,958		219,823
9% non-convertible debentures payable	7		225,266		202,142		450,532		404,285
12% non-convertible debentures payable	8		12,000		-		24,000		-
Interest - Lease			-		-		-		180
Non-cash interest expense - accretion charges, restructuring bonus and amortization of transaction costs related to 9% non-convertible debentures payable	_								
· ·	7		268,084		217,924		528,763		429,600
Non-cash interest expense - amortization of transaction costs related to 12% non-convertible debentures	8		2,128		-		4,257		-
Non-cash interest expense - accretion charges related to 12% non-convertible debentures payable	8		9,283		_		18,302		_
Non-cash interest expense - accretion of deferred gain related to 12% non-convertible debentures payable									
	8		(9,283)	<u>.</u>	- /C27 F24\	<u> </u>	(18,302)	_	/4 450 035\
Net (loss) and comprehensive (loss)		\$	(528,776)	<u> </u>	(627,531)	<u> </u>	<u>,078,733</u> )	<u> </u>	(1,158,935)
(Loss) per share									
Basic and Diluted		\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.00)

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Advantex Marketing International Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Deficiency (unaudited)
For the three and six months ended December 31, 2023 and 2022
(expressed in Canadian dollars)

	prefe	ss A rence ares	Common shares			ontributed surplus	con	umulated other nprehen - ive loss	Deficit	Total
		\$	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>			<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Balance at July 1, 2022	\$	3,815	\$ 24	1,526,740	\$	7,742,802	\$	(47,383)	\$ (42,567,857)	\$ (10,341,883)
Net (loss) and										
comprehensive (loss)		-		-		-			(1,158,935)	(1,158,935)
Balance at December 31,										
2022	\$	3,815	\$ 24	1,526,740	\$	7,742,802	\$	(47,383)	\$ (43,726,792)	<u>\$ (11,500,818)</u>
Balance at July 1, 2023	\$	3,815	\$ 24	1,526,740	\$	7,901,617	\$	(47,383)	\$ (45,095,010)	\$ (12,710,221)
Net (loss) and										
comprehensive (loss)		-		-	_				(1,078,733)	(1,078,733)
Balance at December 31,										
2023	\$	3,815	\$ 24	1,526,740	\$	7,901,617	\$	(47,383)	<u>\$ (46,173,744</u> )	\$ (13,788,955)

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Advantex Marketing International Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow (unaudited)
For the three and six months ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 (expressed in Canadian dollars)

		<u>\$</u>	\$
Operational activities		· <u>-</u>	<u> </u>
Net (loss) for the period		\$ (1,078,733)	\$ (1,158,935
Adjustments for:			
Accrued and unpaid 9% non-convertible debentures payable			
interest - current and non-current payable	7	450,532	404,285
Accrued and unpaid 12% non-convertible debentures			
payable interest - current payable	8	24,000	-
Interest - Lease		-	180
Accretion charge - 9% non-convertible debentures payable	7	458,678	380,968
Restructuring bonus - 9% non-convertible debentures			
payable	7	56,608	38,608
Amortization of transaction costs - 9% non-convertible			
debentures payable	7	13,477	10,024
Amortization of transaction costs - 12% non-convertible			
debentures payable	8	4,257	-
Non-cash interest expense - accretion charges related to 12%			
non-convertible debentures payable	8	18,302	-
Non-cash interest expense - accretion of deferred gain	0	(40.202)	
related to 12% non-convertible debentures payable	8	 (18,302)	 
		(71,181)	(324,870
Changes in items of working capital			
Accounts receivable		18,286	(12,576
Transaction credits		(3,995)	1,532,891
Prepaid expenses and sundry assets		-	40,172
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities excluding current			
portion of accrued and unpaid interest on 9% non-			
convertible debentures payable and 12% non-convertible			
debentures payable		 18,192	 244,386
		32,483	1,804,873
Net cash generated/(used) - operating activities		\$ (38,698)	\$ 1,480,003
Financing activities			
Payment for lease		-	(12,948
Payment of interest - 12% non-convertible debentures			
payable		(22,882)	-
Proceeds of loan payable	6	6,322,140	2,320,821
(Repayment) of loan payable	6	 (6,445,389)	(3,845,998
Net cash generated/(used) - financing activities		\$ (146,131)	\$ (1,538,125
Increase/(Decrease) in cash during the period		\$ (184,829)	\$ (58,122
Cash at beginning of the period		340,427	93,185
Cash at end of the period		\$ 155,598	\$ 35,063
Additional information			
			219,823

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