

Marathon Patent Group Announces Purchase of 500 Additional Next Generation S19 Pro ASIC Miners

500 Miners Expected to Generate 55 PH/s (petahash) of Hashing Power

Company Estimates Increase in Operating Hashrate to Approximately 240 PH/s When all Miners are Received and Deployed

LAS VEGAS, June 11, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Marathon Patent Group, Inc. (NASDAQ:<u>MARA</u>) ("Marathon" or "Company"), one of the few Nasdaq listed cryptocurrency mining companies in the United States, today announced the purchase of an additional 500 of the latest generation Bitmain S19 Pro Miners.

These 500 miners will produce 110 TH/s and generate 55 PH/s (petahash) of hashing power, bringing the Company's total Hashrate to approximately 240 PH/s when fully deployed. This compares to the Company's previous S-9 production of 46 PH/s. The purchase price paid was \$1,190,000. The Company expects to take delivery of these latest units by the end of September.

On May 11, 2020, Marathon announced the purchase of 700 M30S+ (80 TH) miners which now have been fully installed and are operational. On May 12, 2020, the Company announced the purchase 660 Bitmain S19 Pro Miners followed by the announced purchase of an additional 500 on May 19, 2020. Today's announcement of the purchase of an additional 500 S19 Pro Miners brings the total state of the art, next generation miners purchased in the past month to 2,360 units. The Company is expecting delivery and installation of 1,160 Bitmain S19 Pro ASIC Miners in approximately the next 30-60 days, followed by the remaining 500 shortly thereafter.

Marathon's Chief Executive Officer, Merrick Okamoto, stated "In the past month, we have heavily invested in our business through the purchase of these 2,360 next generation miners. We anticipate that, upon full installation, we could experience at least a 500% increase in our aggregate hash rate as compared to our production rates before these new miners were acquired and installed."

With the recent price increase of Bitcoin, each batch of new Bitcoin miners has been selling out, pushing acquisition and delivery dates out by several months. The Company has worked very aggressively to acquire miners with the nearest delivery dates in order to expedite its ability to bring miners online to ramp up production in the shortest timeframe possible. The Company has reached this goal with miners scheduled to arrive in June, July, and September of this year. Only one NASDAQ listed company has announced a greater increase in hashrate expected this summer than Marathon.

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