

# First Quarter 2023 Earnings

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# First Quarter 2023 Earnings Call



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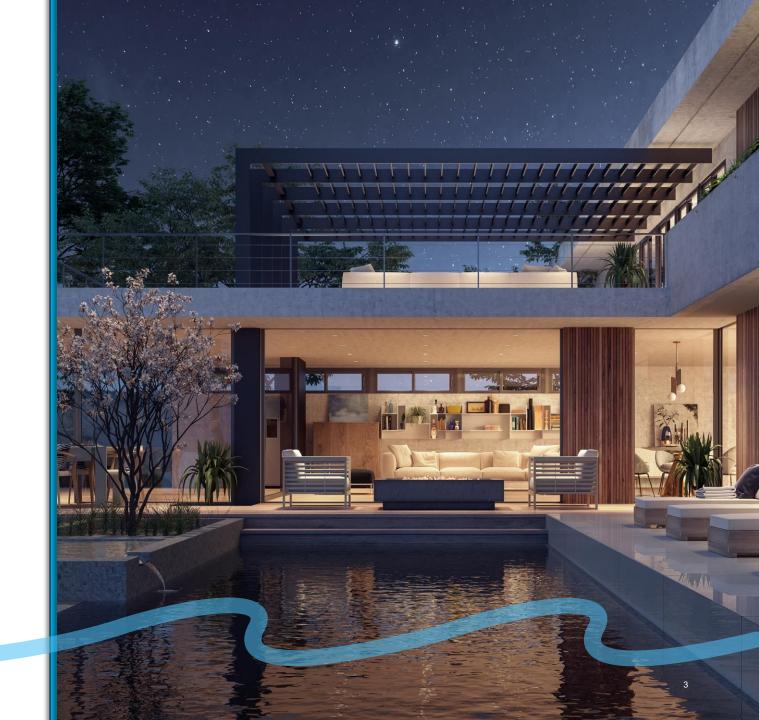
Chief Executive Officer

## **Steve Weddell**

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



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- Record first quarter sales, in-line with expectations
- Diversified initiatives drove growth despite significant weather headwind
- Continued market share gains
- Gross margin lower vs. LY due primarily to business mix
- Earnings in-line with expectations
- First quarter is the smallest sales quarter of our year
- Reaffirming FY2023 Guidance

#### First Quarter 2023 Results

+6%

## Sales of \$195M

Sales growth

• Comp sales: (4)%

• Two-year stack comp: +17%

• Three-year stack comp: +42%

33.5%

## **Gross Profit of \$65M**

Margin rate

- Year-on-year change in gross profit: (3)%
- Gross margin rate contracted 290bps vs. prior year

## Adj. EBITDA<sup>1</sup> of \$(12)M

• Adj. EBITDA<sup>1</sup> lower by \$13M vs. prior year

Residential Hot Tub

PRO Pool

Residential Pool

+35%

+11%

Sales growth

Residential Pool

(3)%

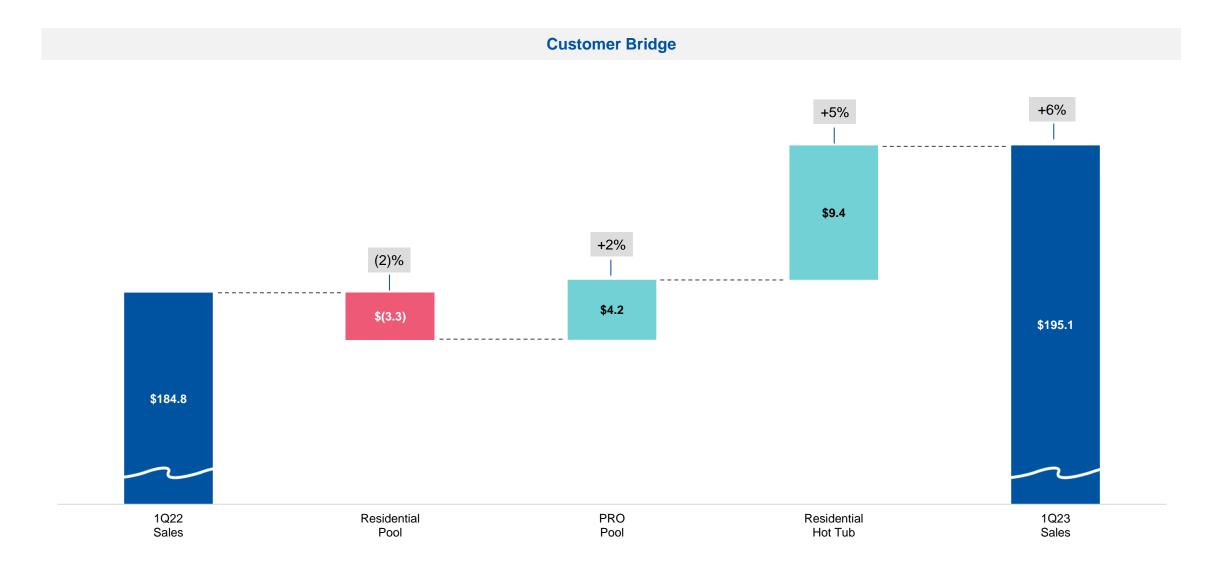
Sales change

## **Key Updates**

- Total sales growth of 6% driven by:
  - Average Order Value +7% and Transactions (1)%
  - Average Revenue per Customer +6% and Customer File Flat
  - Customer File Grew +11% on a two-year stack basis
- Adverse weather drove (5)% comp headwind, the largest impact in 10+ quarters
- Opened one new location during the quarter
- Acquired Splash Pools during Q1, adding five locations across Florida & Louisiana
- Acquired Backyard Water in January, adding one more location in Florida
- Currently operating more than 990 locations and on plan to operate over 1,000 locations by the start of the pool season

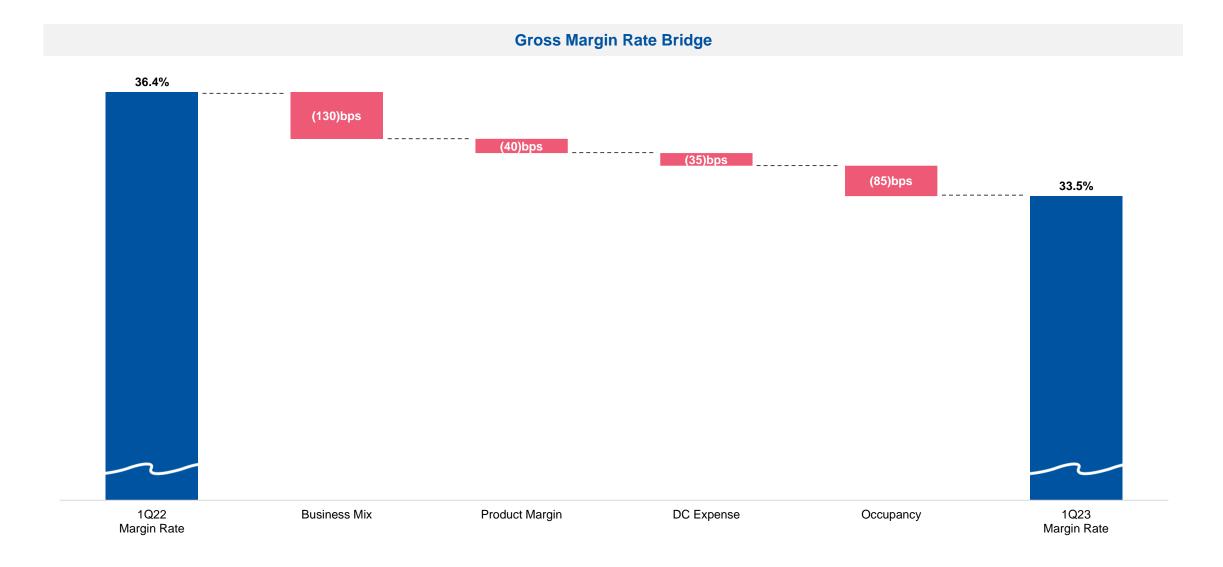


## First Quarter 2023 Sales Bridge (\$M)



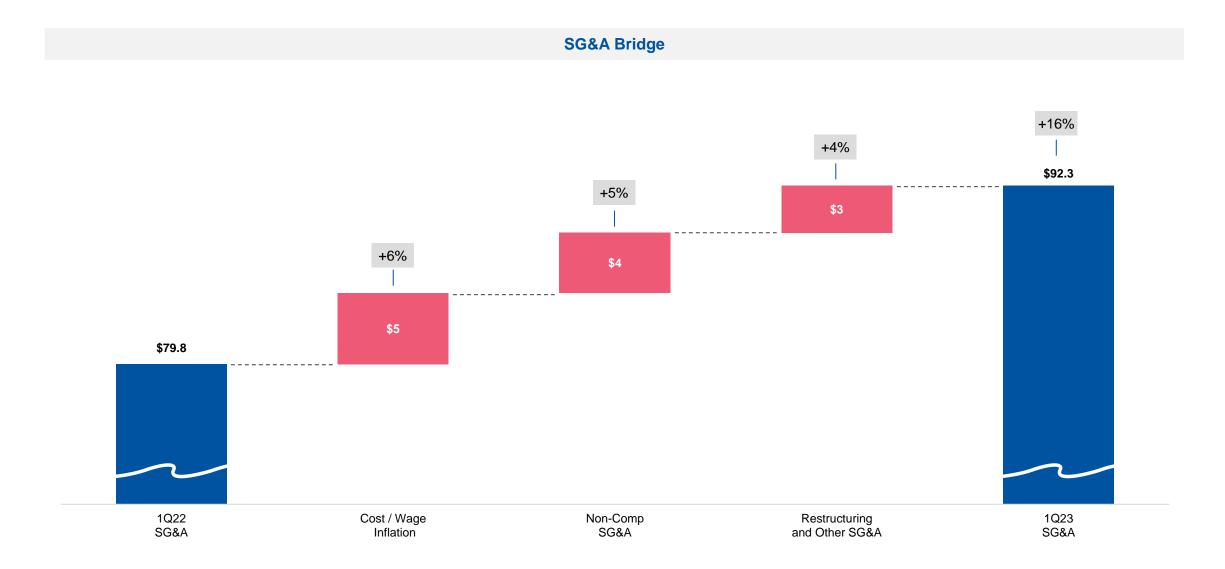


## First Quarter 2023 Gross Margin Rate Bridge





## First Quarter 2023 SG&A Bridge (\$M)





## First Quarter Performance vs. Fiscal 2023 Guidance Scenarios

		% FY22 Sales	<b>Guidance Midpoint</b>	Guidance Midpoint Sales Growth Contribution	1Q23A Sales Growth <u>Contribution</u>		
ſS	Non-discretionary Sales ex. Trichlor	66%	(2.5%) ex. inflation	1.3%	(2.5)%		
es Drivers	Trichlor	14%	(12.5)% ex. inflation	+ (1.1)%	+ 1.0%		
Comp Sales	Discretionary Sales	20%	(17.5)% ex. inflation	+ (2.7)%	+ (2.5)%		
ŏ	Inflation		5%	Included within comp sales drivers	Included within comp sales drivers		
Comp Sales <sup>1</sup>			(2.5)%	<b>=</b> (2.5)%	<b>=</b> (4.0)%		
Non-Comp Sales			5.0%	+ 5.0%	+ 9.6%		
	Total Sales		2.5%	<b>=</b> 2.5%	<b>=</b> 5.6%		

The sales growth contribution figures for the comp sales drivers in the table above represent the impact each of these three distinct components have on total comparable sales growth. The figures are calculated as follows: (independent sales growth ex. inflation + inflation) x (percent of sales)



## **Strategic Growth Initiatives Update**

## Grow Our Consumer File

**Deepen Customer Relationships** 

The PRO Market

Programmatic M&A

Residential Whitespace

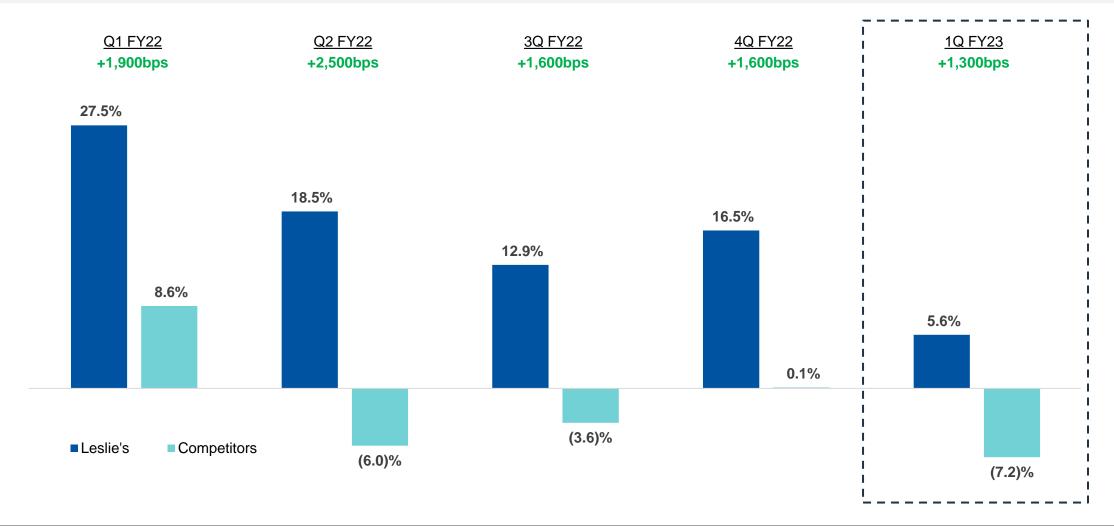
Disruptive Innovation

## First Quarter 2023 Updates

- Customer file flat in Q1 despite weather and macro headwinds
- Average sales per customer grew 6%
- · Loyalty members +15% vs. prior year Q1
- 2,850+ PRO Partner contracts in place
- 80 PRO Locations
- Leslie's PRO website supporting PRO Partners
- Two acquisitions year-to-date, adding six locations
- Five additional acquisitions under LOI, adding 13 locations
- Planning to open at least 10 new locations<sup>1</sup> for the upcoming pool season
- Continue to grow underserved markets with targeted digital tactics
- Commercial launch of AccuBlue Home<sup>™</sup> on schedule for pool season 2023

#### **Leslie's Continues to Win Market Share**

#### Leslie's Sales Growth vs. Change in U.S. Consumer Spend at Competing Pool Supply Retailers





## First Quarter 2023 Financial Results





## **Fiscal 2023 Guidance**

	FY	Long-term Algorithm			
	\$	$\Delta$	Δ		
Sales	\$1,560M to \$1,640M	Flat to +5%	MSD to HSD %		
Gross Profit	\$667M to \$708M	(35)bps to flat	Flat to +25bps		
Adj. EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	\$280M to \$310M	(4)% to +6%	LDD %		
Adj. Net Income <sup>1</sup>	\$145M to \$160M	(18)% to (9)%	Mid- to High-teens %		
Adj. EPS¹	\$0.78 to \$0.86	(18)% to (9)%	<b>U</b>		



# Advantaged Industry

**Large / Annuity-Like Demand / Predictable Growth** 

# Integrated Ecosystem

**Unmatched Scale and Reach / Consumer-Centric / Total Solution Provider** 

## Clear Path to Growth

**Six Strategic Growth Initiatives** 





#### **GAAP to Non-GAAP reconciliation tables**

	Three Months Ended					
		December 31, 2022		January 1, 2022		October 3, 2020
Net loss	\$	(30,259)	\$	(14,451)	\$	(30,257)
Interest expense		13,360		6,863		11,516
Income tax benefit		(10,086)		(5,270)		(14,314)
Depreciation and amortization expense <sup>(1)</sup>		8,503		9,241		6,595
Management fees <sup>(2)</sup>		_		_		382
Equity-based compensation expense (3)		3,044		2,794		12,160
Loss on debt extinguishment <sup>(4)</sup>		_		_		7,281
Costs related to equity offerings <sup>(5)</sup>		_		389		8,152
Strategic project costs <sup>(6)</sup>		720		1,513		_
Executive transition costs and other (7)		2,803		17		(1,758)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	(11,915)	\$	1,096	\$	(243)

- (1) Includes depreciation related to our distribution centers and locations, which is reported in cost of merchandise and services sold in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.
- (2) Represents amounts paid or accrued in connection with our management services agreement, which was terminated upon the completion of our IPO in November 2020 and are reported in SG&A in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.
- (3) Represents charges related to equity-based compensation and the related Company payroll tax expense, which are reported in SG&A in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.
- (4) Represents non-cash expense due to the write-off of deferred financing costs related to the term loan modification and the repayment of our senior unsecured notes in Fiscal 2021, which are reported in loss on debt extinguishment in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.
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- (6) Represents non-recurring costs, such as third-party consulting costs, which are not part of our ongoing operations and are incurred to execute differentiated, strategic projects, and are reported in SG&A in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.
- (7) Includes executive transition costs, severance associated with corporate restructuring, losses (gains) on disposition of fixed assets, merger and acquisition costs and other non-recurring, non-cash or discrete items as determined by management. Amounts are reported in SG&A and other (income) expenses, net in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.

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Tax effects of these adjustments (7)		(1,641)		(1,178)		(6,579)	
Adjusted net income	\$	(25,333)	\$	(10,916)	\$	(10,619)	

	Three Months Ended					
	December 31, 2022		January 1, 2022		October 3, 2020	
Diluted earnings per share	\$	(0.16)	\$	(0.08)	\$	(0.17)
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$	(0.14)	\$	(0.06)	\$	(0.06)
Weighted average shares outstanding						
Basic		183,513		188,507		176,990
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