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Ackroo Releases 2022 Audited Financial Results

Ackroo grows revenues and earnings

HAMILTON, Ontario, April 28, 2023 -- Ackroo Inc. (TSX-V: AKR; OTC: AKRFF) (the "Company"), a loyalty marketing, payments and point-of-sale technology and services provider, is pleased to report audited annual revenues of \$6,264,107 including \$5,350,098 of annual recurring revenue for the period ended December 31st, 2022. The results represent a 7% increase in recurring subscription revenues and 5% increase in total revenues over 2021. Now in the Company's tenth year of operations they have achieved a cumulative average revenue growth rate of 28% since founding in 2012. Ackroo also delivered their fifth consecutive positive adjusted EBITDA year with \$1,403,576 of adjusted EBITDA representing 22% of total revenues and an impressive 243% increase over 2021. The Company increased their average revenue per location, their strong gross margins and their recurring to one time revenue ratios while improving their product and operations. The Company paid down \$970,644 of debt/liabilities reducing their adjusted EBITDA to debt ratios to less than 3 to 1 and signed their 12th acquisition to date.

The complete financial results for Ackroo, along with management's discussion and analysis for the year ended December 31, 2022, are available under the profile for the Company at <u>www.sedar.com</u>. Highlights include:

	Year ended Dec 31, 2022	r ended Dec 31, 2022 Year ended Dec 31, 2021	
Total Revenue	\$6,264,107	\$5,977,542	+ 5%
Subscription Rev	\$5,350,098	\$5,001,139	+ 7%
Gross Margins	\$5,685,210 (91%)	\$5,270,334 (88%)	+ 8% (+3%)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$1,403,576	\$409,217	+243%
EBITDA % of Rev	22%	7%	+15%

2022 vs. 2021 annual results:

2022 quarterly results:

	Q1 - March 31, 2022	Q2 - June 30, 2022	Q3 - September 30, 2022	Q4 – December 31, 2022	2022 TOTALS
Total Revenue	\$1,556,495	\$1,583,497	\$1,528,411	\$1,595,705	\$6,264,107
Subscription Rev	\$1,353,486	\$1,347,353	\$1,333,237	\$1,316,021	\$5,350,098
Gross Margins	\$1,393,636 (90%)	\$1,496,716 (95%)	\$1,403,618 (92%)	\$1,391,240 (87%)	\$5,685,210 (91%)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$242,561	\$312,307	\$337,192	\$511,517	\$1,403,576
EBITDA % of Rev	16%	20%	22%	32%	22%

"We are very pleased with what we accomplished in 2022," said Steve Levely, CEO of Ackroo. "After a very challenging year in 2021 we are very happy to have bounced back and deliver both revenue and significant earnings growth for the business while advancing our operations and technology in the process. We have managed through lots of head winds around things like inflation which has driven both our supplier costs and employee incomes up. We saw lots of people changes both in the company as turnover was higher than previous years and we made changes at a board level to introduce new talent to support us. The capital markets as it relates to tech companies has had a massive impact on investor confidence leading to a very depressed share price where using our public currency to advance our business was not an option. Despite all of these obstacles I am very proud that Ackroo has continued to improve and simplify our operations and hit many of our financial goals. We exceeded our 20% EBITDA goals by achieving a 22% adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenue effectively tripling our results from 2021. We then leveraged those earnings to get our EBITDA to debt ratio's below 3 to 1 while positioning us to close our 12th acquisition at the end of the year. As an industry consolidator it is critical that we continue to maintain this strong financial discipline so I am very encouraged as to what we accomplished last year as it sets the stage for an even bigger result in 2023."

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encouraged to review managements' discussion and analysis for the year ended December 31, 2022.

About Ackroo

Through vendor and industry consolidation, Ackroo provides marketing, payment and point-of-sale solutions for merchants of all sizes. Ackroo's self-serve, data driven, cloud-based marketing platform helps merchants in-store and online process and manage loyalty, gift card and promotional transactions at the point of sale. Ackroo's payment services provide merchants with low-cost payment processing options through some of the world's largest payment technology and service providers. Ackroo's hybrid management and point-of-sale solutions help manage and optimize the general operations for niche industry's including golf clubs, automotive dealers and more. All solutions are focused on helping to consolidate, simplify and improve the merchant marketing, payments and point-of sale ecosystem for their clients. Ackroo is headquartered in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. For more information, visit: <u>www.ackroo.com</u>.

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