

## **DILIGENCE PAYS 1/5/24**

# 3Q23 Filing Season - Parsing Stats and Value Created

We update our databases and models as soon as companies file new 10-Qs or 10-Ks with the SEC. Companies tend to file their 10-Qs and 10-Ks around the same time, which creates a deluge of filings over a 2-3 week span, which we call <u>Filing Season</u>. During Filing Season, we leverage our <u>Robo-Analyst technology</u> and human experts to parse the filings for all the financial data needed to produce <u>proven-superior research</u>.

This work saves our clients enormous amounts of time and money.

During the three weeks of 3Q23 filing season we parsed 2,931 filings and saved our clients a total of \$903,390¹. See Figure 1 for more details.

Figure 1: Putting a \$ Value on Our Parsing Work for Clients: 3Q23 Filing Season

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Date	Day	# of FTEs* to Match our Work	Filings Parsed & Models Updated	FTEs Cost per day	Cumulative \$ Savings
10/25/23	Wednesday	43	38	\$11,712	\$11,712
10/26/23	Thursday	99	88	\$27,123	\$38,836
10/27/23	Friday	170	151	\$46,541	\$85,377
10/28/23	Saturday	125	111	\$34,212	\$119,589
10/29/23	Sunday	-	-	-	\$119,589
10/30/23	Monday	3	3	\$925	\$120,514
10/31/23	Tuesday	59	52	\$16,027	\$136,541
11/1/23	Wednesday	136	121	\$37,295	\$173,836
11/2/23	Thursday	228	203	\$62,568	\$236,404
11/3/23	Friday	456	405	\$124,829	\$361,233
11/4/23	Saturday	288	256	\$78,904	\$440,137
11/5/23	Sunday	-	-	-	\$440,137
11/6/23	Monday	1	1	\$308	\$440,445
11/7/23	Tuesday	161	143	\$44,075	\$484,521
11/8/23	Wednesday	349	310	\$95,548	\$580,068
11/9/23	Thursday	411	365	\$112,500	\$692,568
11/10/23	Friday	450	400	123,288	\$815,856
11/11/23	Saturday	-	-	-	\$815,856
11/12/23	Sunday	-	-	-	\$815,856
11/13/23	Monday	-	-	-	\$815,856
11/14/23	Tuesday	155	138	42,534	\$858,390
11/15/23	Wednesday	164	146	45,000	\$903,390

Sources: New Constructs, LLC \* FTEs = Full Time Employees

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cumulative savings is calculated assuming it takes nine hours per filing and a full time employee making \$100/hour to parse each.



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The savings in Figure 1 are likely very conservative estimates because they do not account for the cost of any management or training of analysts. Nor, do they count the cost of building the financial models to house the data or tracking accounting rule changes to make sure those models remain accurate.

Even with these conservative assumptions, it is clear that we create tremendous value for all of our clients, from Stock Tracker 50 to Professional and Institutional members.

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Key quotes from the paper:

- "[New Constructs'] *Total Adjustments* differs significantly from the items identified and excluded from Compustat's adjusted earnings measures. For example... 50% to 70% of the variation in *Total Adjustments* is not explained by *S&P Global's (SPGI) Adjustments* individually." pp. 14, 1st para.
- "A final source of differences [between New Constructs' and S&P Global's data] is due to data collection oversights...we identified cases where Compustat did not collect information relating to firms' income that is useful in assessing core earnings." pp. 16, 2<sup>nd</sup> para.

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