

## For Havard Business School: New Constructs® Business Analysis and Valuation Class

## The Market Is Missing Footnotes\*

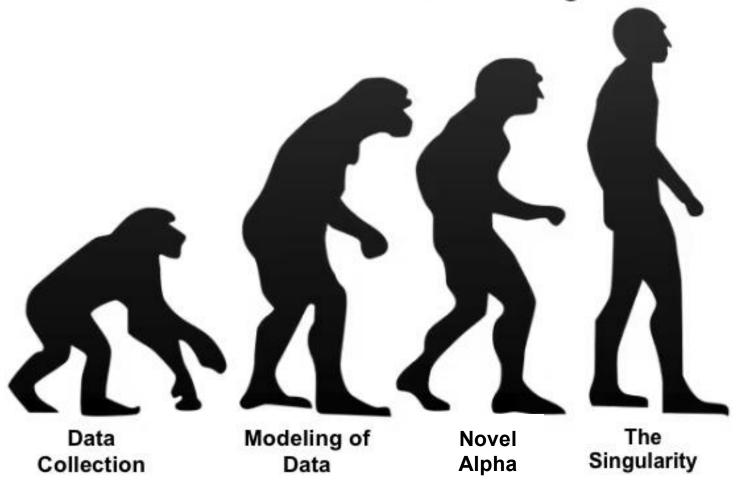
How AI is evolving and will affect how your career.



<sup>\*</sup>Page 1, abstract, Core Earnings: New Data and Evidence, The Journal of Financial Economics.

#### **How AI Affects You**

#### **Evolution of AI for Investing**

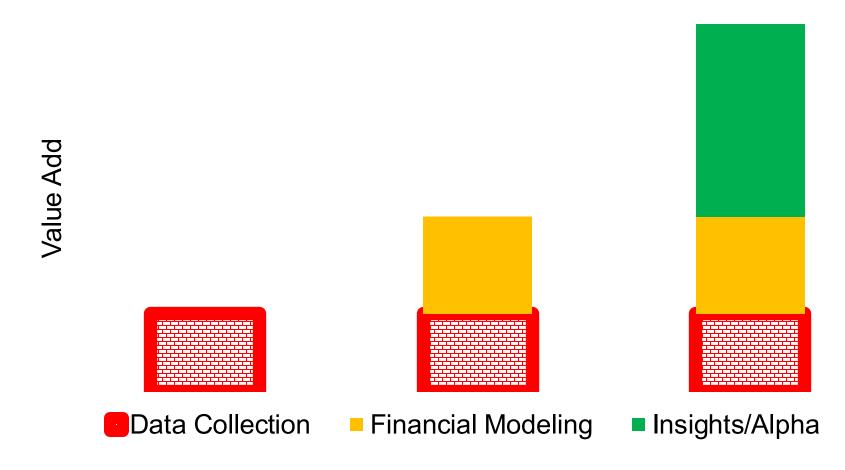




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#### **How Al Affects You**

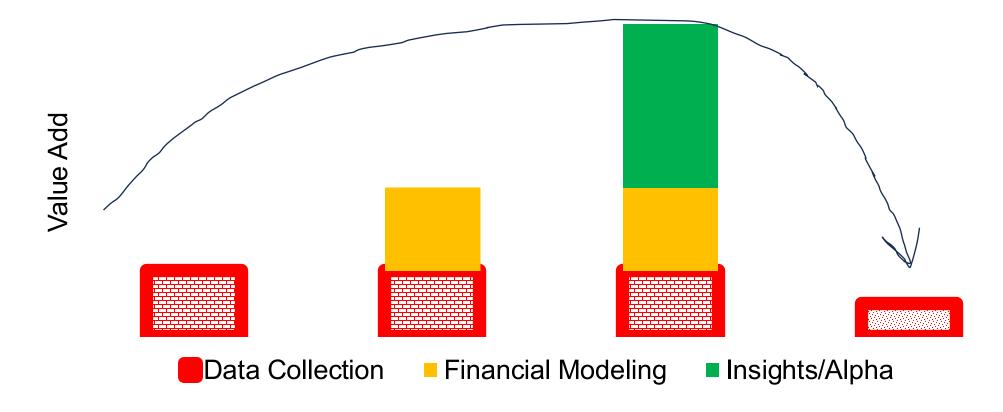
#### **Evolution of Fundamental Research**





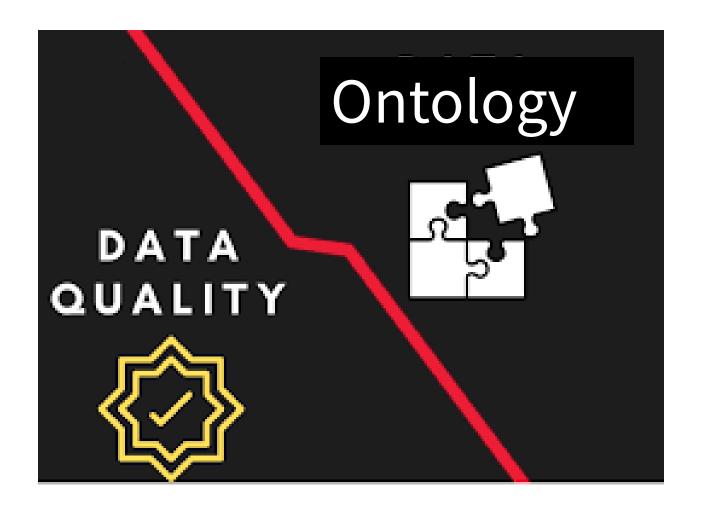
## If the underlying data is not good, nothing built on it is reliable.

#### Devolution of Fundamental Research



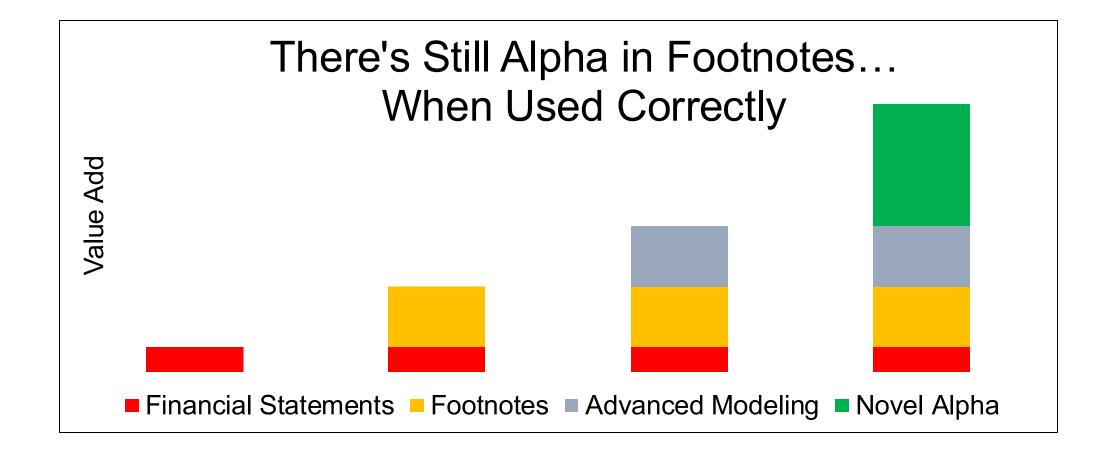


### Practical Application to Your Career: Al Needs Better Input





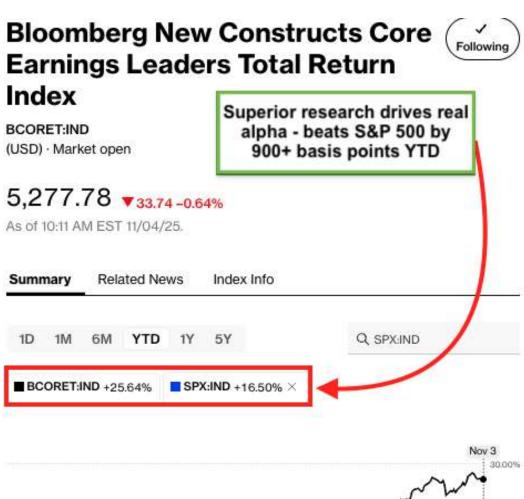
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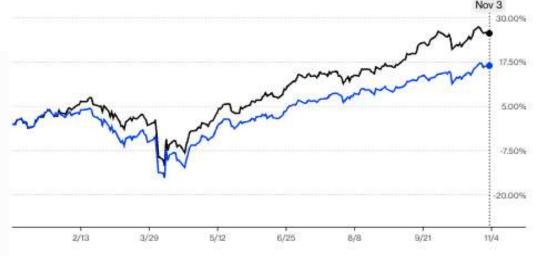




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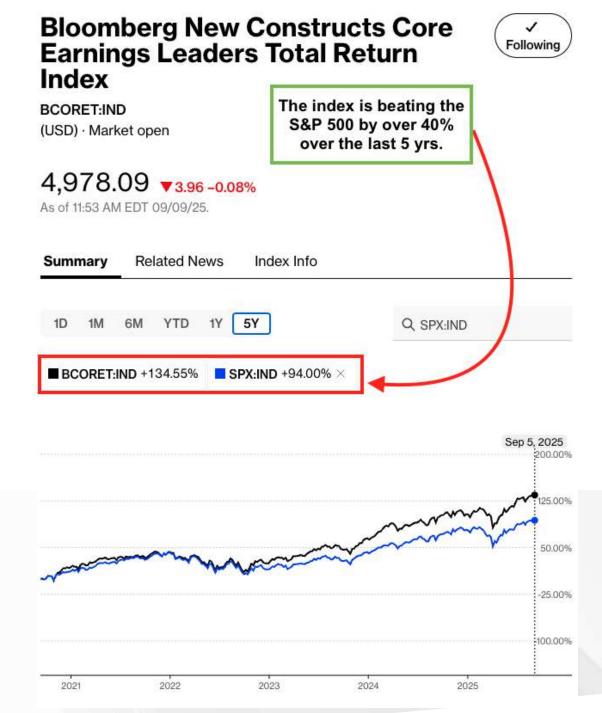






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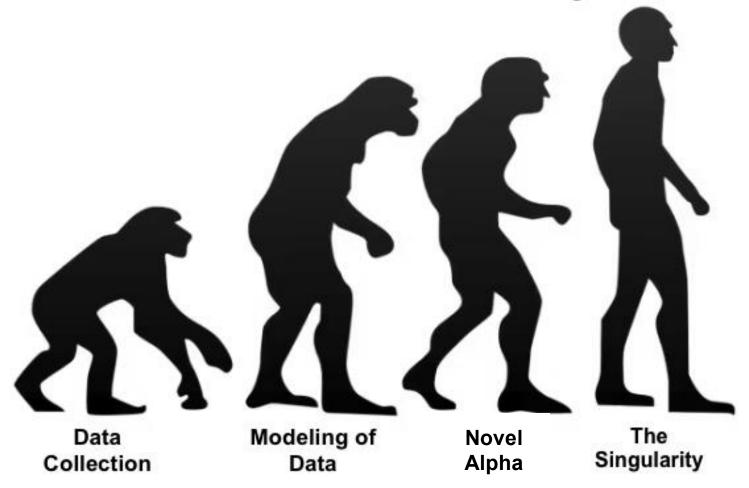
## More Live-Traded Indices Leverage our Ontology

- Bloomberg New Constructs Ratings VA-1 Index ("The Very Attractive Stocks Index")
  - Ticker: <u>BNCVA1T:IND</u>
- 2. Bloomberg New Constructs 500 Index ("Core Earnings-Weighted S&P 500 Index")
  - Ticker: <u>B500NCT:IND</u>



## **How Long Does Alpha Persist.... for Anything?**

#### **Evolution of AI for Investing**





## There is an Al Agent Based on our Ontology and Data



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FinSights is an AI Agent for investing built on proprietary and proven superior fundamental data and research













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Google Cloud. FinSights uniquely combines Google's Gemini models and Google Cloud's Vertex AI platform with New Constructs' industry-leading, proprietary fundamental data, ontology and stock rankings.

FinSights is engineered to solve a critical problem in the Al-in-finance space; the overreliance on flawed, accounting-based data. By training models on New Constructs' forensically adjusted financials and Core Earnings metrics, FinSights enables institutional and sophisticated investors to uncover true corporate performance, valuation, and risk, delivering insights that outperform conventional analyst frameworks.



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## Appendix

#### This Al Evolution Is Inevitable...

FEBRUARY 2018 (REVISED JUNE 2021) CASE HBS CASE COLLECTION

## New Constructs: Disrupting Fundamental Analysis with Robo-Analysts

By: Charles C.Y. Wang and Kyle Thomas

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### Top Institutions Published Proof of Need for Footnotes



Superior Data & **Novel Alpha** 

"[Core Earnings] is empirically distinct from commonly used alternatives and is less likely to be susceptible to compositional and selection biases found in analysts' and managerial estimates."

"Trading strategies that exploit non-core earnings produce **abnormal returns** of 8% per year."





Source: Journal of Financial Economics, 2021



**Superior Modeling** & Analysis

"New Constructs' machine learning approach leverages technology to calculate ROIC by applying accounting adjustments that may be **buried deeply in the footnotes** across thousands of companies...The other advantage of New Constructs is the **transparency** in disclosing calculations and all the data behind them"



Source: Emst & Young, 2019



**Superior Ratings** 

"The portfolios formed following the buy recommendations of [New Constructs'] Robo-Analysts earn abnormal returns that are statistically and economically significant."



Source: Harvard Business School, 2020



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## We spent 20 years optimizing the data collection and analysis process.

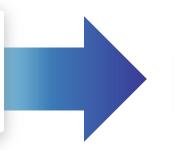
To develop a proprietary method for generating superior investment data at scale.



## 500K+

Number of financial filings manually labeled by our team of experts

To successfully develop...



#### **Secret Sauce**



#### **Auto-Parsing Technology**

Long, complex financial reports analyzed in minutes .



#### **Proprietary Ontology**

System for translating quantitative disclosures into standardized, accurate measures of Core Earnings.



#### Footnotes & MD&A Analysis

First company to successfully incorporate material items from footnotes and MD&As to generate superior earnings data.



# Our Al-powered software crawls through thousands of 10-K and 10-Q filings

Analyst Notes: Focus List (Long) Model Portfolio Oct 2024

2022   10-K	
Balance Sheet	
Income Statement	
Cash Flow Statemen	t
Balance Sheet Adjus	tments
Reported Deferred Ta	ax Assets
<ul> <li>Deferred income</li> </ul>	taxes : \$7.57
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"For the Employee Stock Option Data Points menu, "No Location Information for Line Item" may appear because the most recently available Black-Scholes assumptions are collected from a previous filing or data had to be entered by an analyst because of disclosure. December 31st. The calculation is performed using assumptions regarding rates of successful claims, discount factors, benefit increases and mortality rates, among others. If the number of or severity of successful claims increases, or we are required to accrue or pay additional amounts because the successful claims prove to be more severe than our original assessment, our operating results and cash flows could be negatively impacted. Our self-insurance program for these legacy labilities is unique to the industry and was specifically negotiated with the DDL. As of December 31, 2022, we have posted \$18.6 mill fon in surety bonds and \$8.6 million of collateral recognized as short term investments in addition to maintaining a black lung trust of \$2.1 million that was acquired in the acquisition of certain assets of Walte Energy. We received a letter from the DDL on February 21, 2020 under its new process for self-insurance newals that would require us to increase the amount of collateral posted to \$39.8 million, but we have appealed such increase. We received another letter from the DDL on December 8, 2021 requesting addition, information to support our appeal of the collateral requested by the DDL. On February 9, 2022, the DDL held a conference with representatives from the Company related to our appeal. On July 12, 2021, we crecived a decision on our appeal from the DDL lowering the amount of collateral required to be posted from \$39.8 million to \$28 million, we appealed this decision. In addition, on January 19, 2023, the DDL proposed revisions to regulations under the Black Lung Benefits Act governing authorization of self-insurers. The proposed rules requires, among other requirements, all self-insured operators to post security of at least 120 percent of their projected black Lung liabilities. For addition information see "Part I, Item 1. Business-Environmental and Regulatory Matters-Workers' Compensation and Black Lung. Our estimated total Dack Lung Liabilities as of December 31, 2022 were \$30.3 at lion (ne

Our failure to obtain and renew permits necessary for our mining operations could negatively affect our business.

Mining companies must obtain numerous permits that impose strict regulations on various environmental and operational matters in connection with met coal mining. These include permits issued by various federal, state and local agencies and regulatory bodies. The permitting rules, and the interpretations of these rules, are complex, change frequently and are often subject to discretionary interpretations by the regulators, all of which may make compliance more difficult or impractical, and may possibly preclude the continuance of ongoing operations or the development of future mining operations. The public, including non-governmental organizations, anti-mining groups and individuals, have certain statutory rights to comment upon and submit objections to requested permits and environmental impact statements prepared in connection with applicable regulatory processes, and otherwise engage in the permitting process, including bringing citizens' lawsuits to challenge the issuance of permits, the validity of environmental impact statements or performance of mining activities. In addition, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there may be delays in obtaining permits from governmental agencies and regulatory bodies. Accordingly, required permits may not be issued or renewed in a timely fashion or at all, or permit sissued or renewed may be conditioned in amaner that may restrict our ability to efficiently and economically conduct our mining activities, any of which would materially reduce our production, cash flow and profitability.

Extensive environmental, health and safety laws and regulations impose significant costs on our operations and future regulations could increase those costs, limit our ability to produce or adversely affect the demand for our products.

Our businesses are subject to numerous federal, state and local laws and regulations with respect to matters such as:

opermitting and licensing requirements;

oemployee health and safety, including occupational and mine health and safety;

oworkers' compensation; oblack lung disease:

oreclamation and restoration of property; and

oenvironmental laws and regulations, including those related to GHGs and climate change, air quality, water quality, stream and surface water quality and protection, management of materials generated by mining operations, the storage, treatment and disposal of wastes, protection of plant and wildlife such as endangered species, protection of wetlands and remediation of contaminated soil and groundwater.

In addition, the coal industry in the U.S. is affected by significant legislation mandating certain benefits for current and retired coal miners. Compliance with these requirements imposes significant costs on us, and

#### **Examples of Footnotes Adjustments**

#### Meta Platforms Inc (META) **Analyst Notes: None** Select Document: 2022 | 10-K **Balance Sheet** Income Statement Cash Flow Statement Income Statement Adjustments\* **Balance Sheet Adjustments** Valuation Adjustments Earnings Distortion from Hidden Items, Net\* Net Non-Operating Expense Hidden in Operating Earnings Pre-Tax Net Non-Operating Expense/(Income) Hidden in Operating Earnings · Impairment charges for leases and leasehold improvements: (2,218.0) Abandonment charges for data center assets: (1,341.0) restructuring charges: 4.611.0 Asset Write-Downs Hidden in Operating Earnings Reported Cumulative Value for Write Down Pre-Tax in Operating (Cash Flow) · Impairment charges for leases and leasehold improvements: \$2,218,00 Abandonment charges for data center assets :

\$1,341,00

Uur total deterred revenue was \$526 million and \$596 million as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. As of December 31, 2022, we expect \$482 million of our deferred revenue to be realized in less than a year.

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Marked-Up Filings

Table of Contents Note 3. Restructuring

During the year ended December 31, 2022, we initiated several measures to pursue greater cost efficiency and to realign our business and strategic priorities.

Beginning in the third quarter of 2022, as a part of our facilities consolidation strategy, we made a decision to sublease, early terminate, or abandon several office buildings under operating leases to align our real property lease arrangements with our anticipated operating needs. As a result, we recorded impairment charges for the related operating lease right-of-use (ROU) assets and leasehold improvements. In November 2022, we announced a layoff of approximately 11,000 of our employees across the FoA and RL segments. As a result, we recorded severance and other personnel related expenses for the impacted employees. In December 2022, we reevaluated our data center investment strategy to improve efficiency and further advance our efforts around artificial intelligence. As a result, we decided to pivot several of our data center building projects to a next generation design while also canceling multiple existing data center projects. This strategy led to abandonment charges of the related data center assets.

A summary of our restructuring charges for the year ended December 31, 2022 by major activity type is as follows (in millions):

Facilities Consolidation (1)		Severance and Other Personnel Costs		Data Center Assets		Total	
\$	154	\$	-	\$	1,341	\$ 1,495	
1,311	ĺ	408		-		1,719	
404		234		-		638	
426		333		-		750	
\$	2,295	\$	975	\$	1,341	\$ 4,611	
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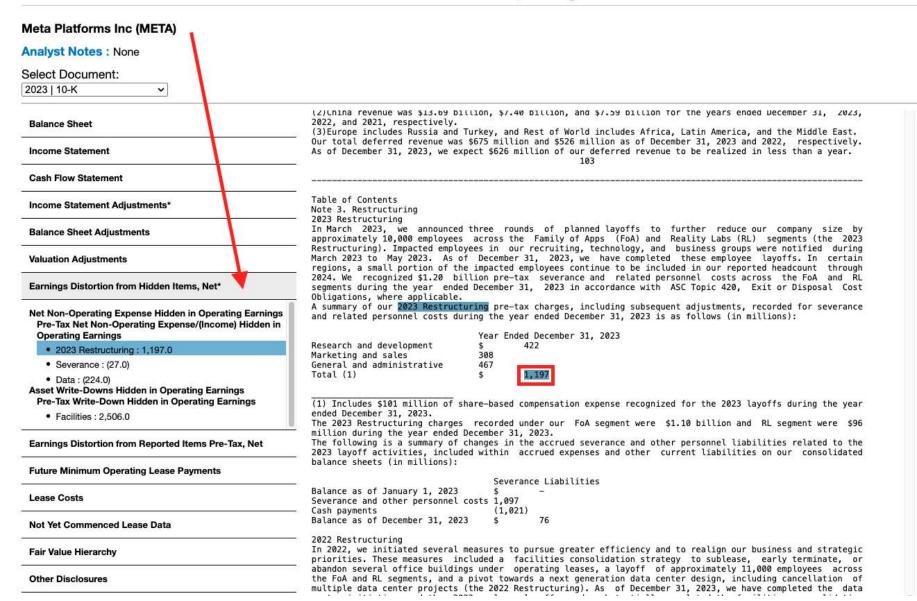
(1)Facilities consolidation includes impairment charges and accelerated expenses related to certain operating lease ROU assets and leasehold improvements.

Total restructuring charges recorded under our FoA segment were \$4.10 billion and RL segment were \$515 million.

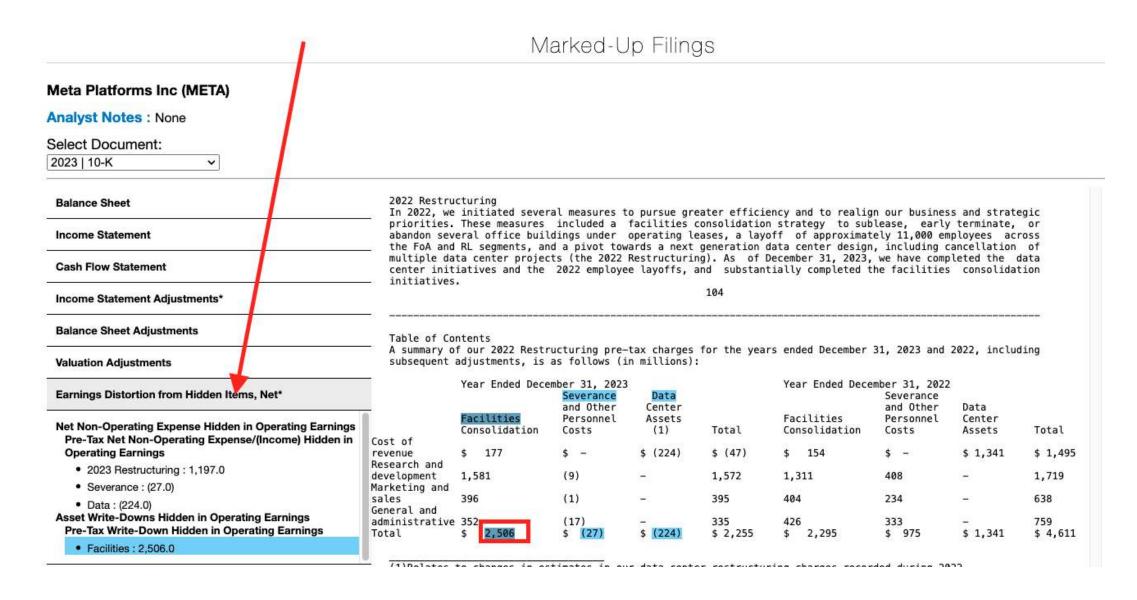
The following table is a summary of the changes in the severance and other personnel liabilities, included

#### **Examples of Footnotes Adjustments**

Marked-Up Filings



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#### **Earnings Distortion Scores**

#### ▼ Earnings Distortion Summary

#### Earnings Distortion Score : Beat

This score means A is likely to beat expectations next quarter.

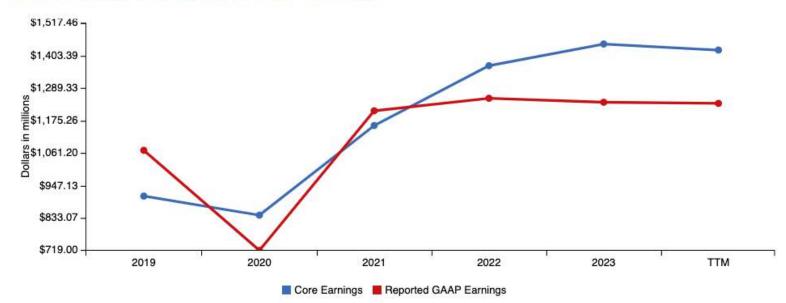
Earnings Distortion is -\$0.64 per share, which is -15.18% of Reported Earnings and -1.71356% of Total Assets.

This means **A**'s reported earnings are understated because they include \$0.64 of net unusual losses. Investors can find these net unusual losses only by analyzing footnotes. They do not appear on the income statement.

Compared to last year, Earnings Distortion fell by \$0.42 per share, -195.0%.

Compared to last quarter, Earnings Distortion rose by \$0.06 per share, 8.2%.

#### ▼ Core Earnings vs. Reported GAAP Earnings



#### **Stock Ratings**



– Vildana Hajric, Bloomberg News

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Stock Ratings Methodology

Agilent Technologies, Inc. (A)

Closing Price: \$148.21 (May 28, 2024)

Market Value: \$43.4 Billion Dividend Yield: 0.6% Sector: Healthcare

Latest Filing: 10-Q for period ending Jan 31, 2024 Next Expected Filing: 10-Q on May 30, 2024

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