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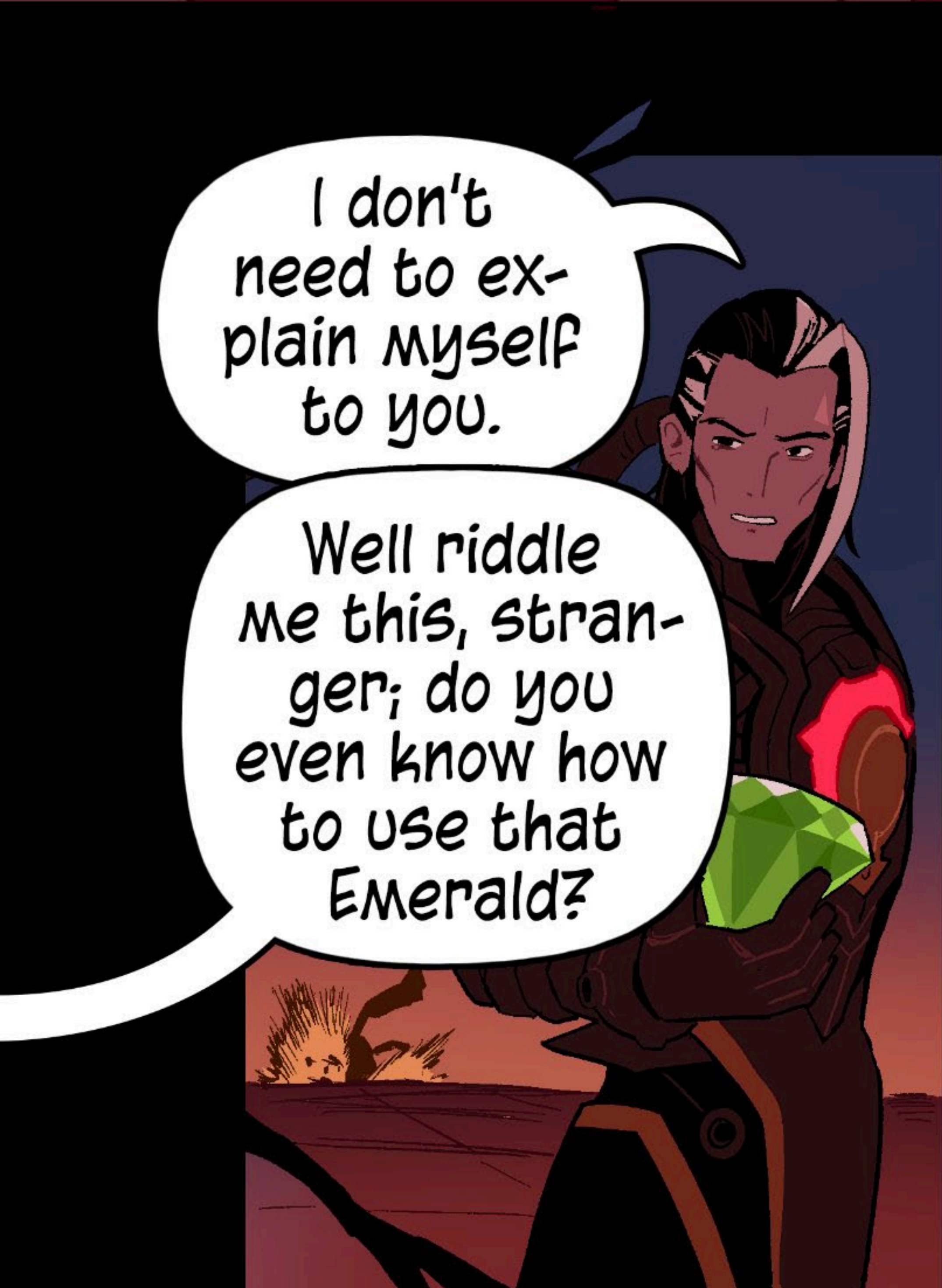
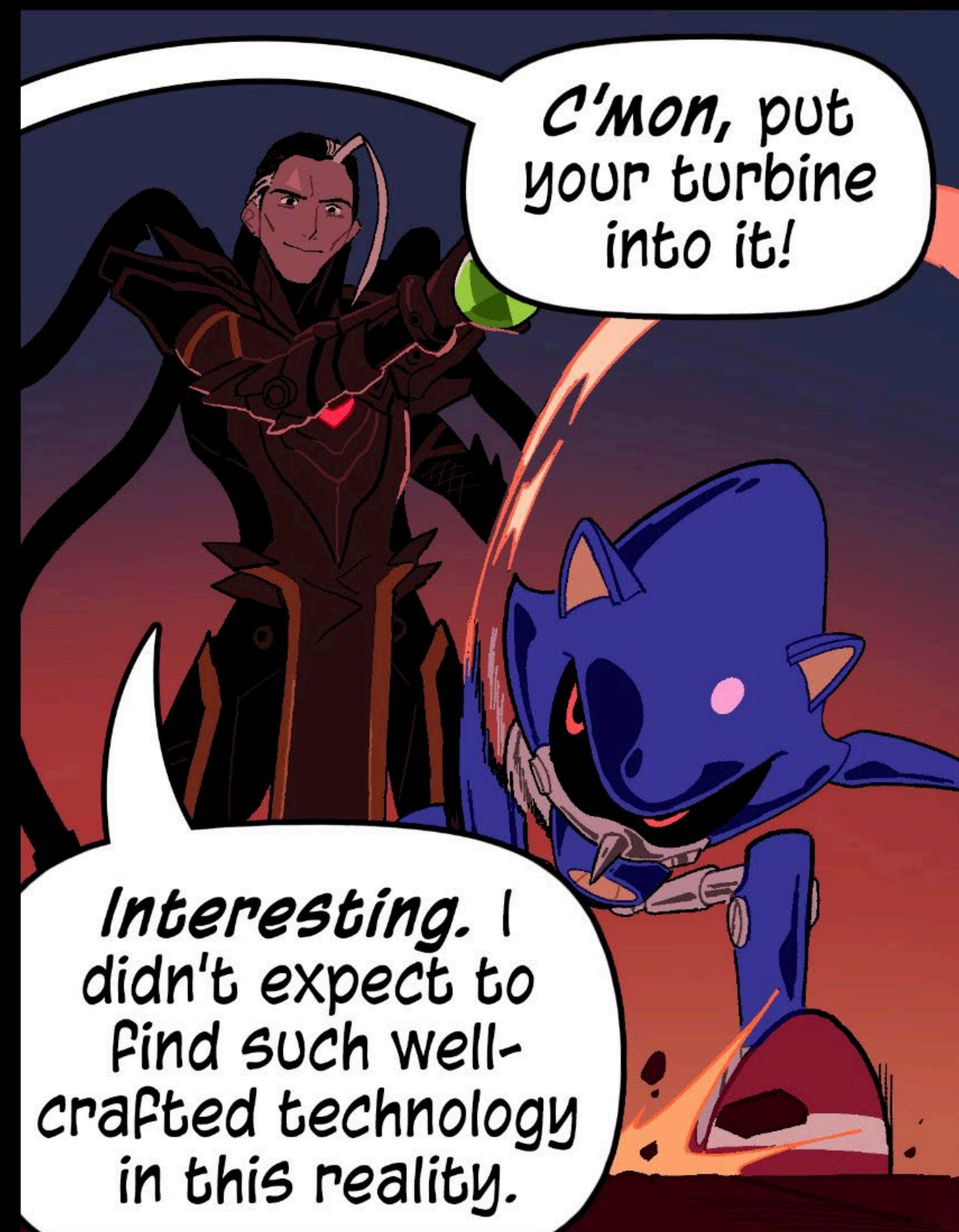
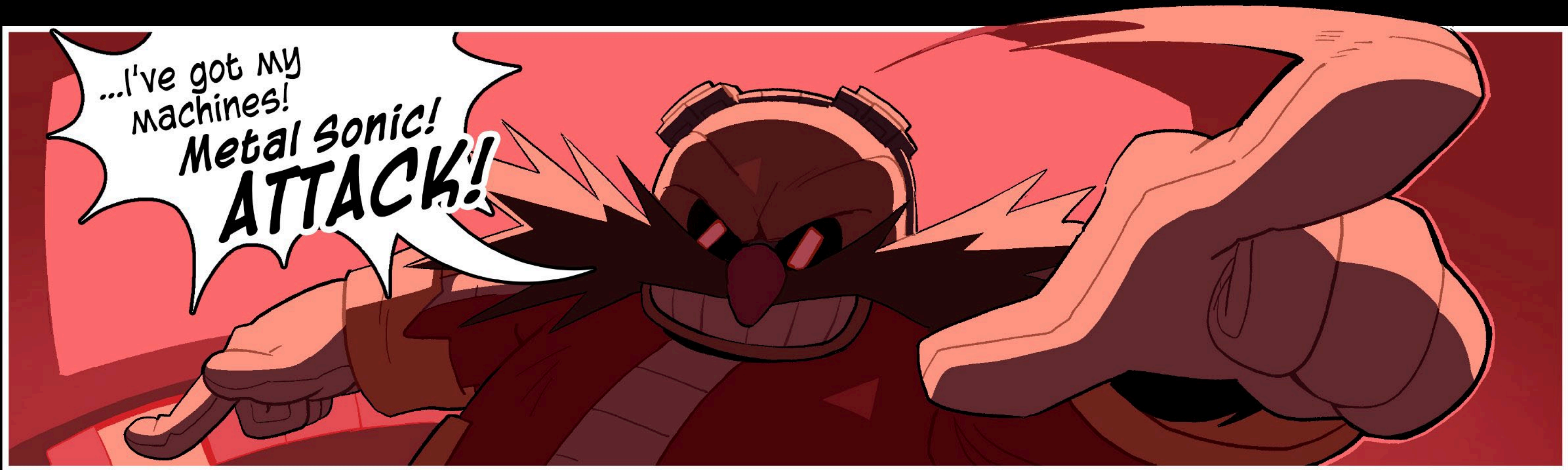
## THE HEDGEHOG



*Stanley - ARQ - Kim - McGrath*

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They don't call me a *genius* for nothing. A hypothesis, if I may...

Based on the energy readings I've picked up, I'd say you're from another reality. And if you came for a Chaos Emerald, that means you think you can harness its power.

There's a *reason* they're called Chaos Emeralds; they're *exceedingly* volatile. *Lucky for you*, I happen to be a leading expert.



A commendable deduction...

Are you *suggesting* something?



That depends. In return for helping you *not blow yourself up*, what do you have to offer *me*?



I have a power source of my own, but it's in a... *compromised* state. *Unstable*. I am in need of a substitute, and in my search I uncovered your Chaos Emeralds.

With their power, I should be able to run my enterprises until I can stabilize The Zero Point. Assistance in harnessing this Emerald's power would certainly be advantageous to my work...

But I would not expect a man of your stature to work for free. If my plans come to fruition, reality itself will be mine to *reshape*. I can ensure you have a *favorable* place in my new, perfect world.



*Oh ho ho...* A new reality, ripe for the conquering? I like the sound of that! What say we shake on it, *Mr...?*



*Geno.*

I don't make deals on words alone. *I need proof.*



A demon-  
stration?  
Oho...

Later, in  
another reality...



ch-CHAK

SVNNMMMM...

Voilà!  
With this, we can  
power the entire  
grid. *Impressed?*

It is  
satisfactory.

Good, good...  
I hope you don't  
mind that I brought  
some of my *Badniks*  
along to help.

It just  
doesn't feel like  
*home* without  
them around!



Of  
course...  
I believe  
we have  
a deal.

Oh ho ho ho!  
Welcome to the  
Eggman Empire,  
Geno!

Later still,  
back home...

BAM

You call *that*  
a hit, Sonic? Get  
outta the way...

THUNK

CRASH

...I'll show  
you how it's  
done!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG  
Fastest thing alive

SHADOW THE HEDGEHOG  
Ultimate LifeForm

KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA  
Hard-hitting Master  
Emerald Guardian

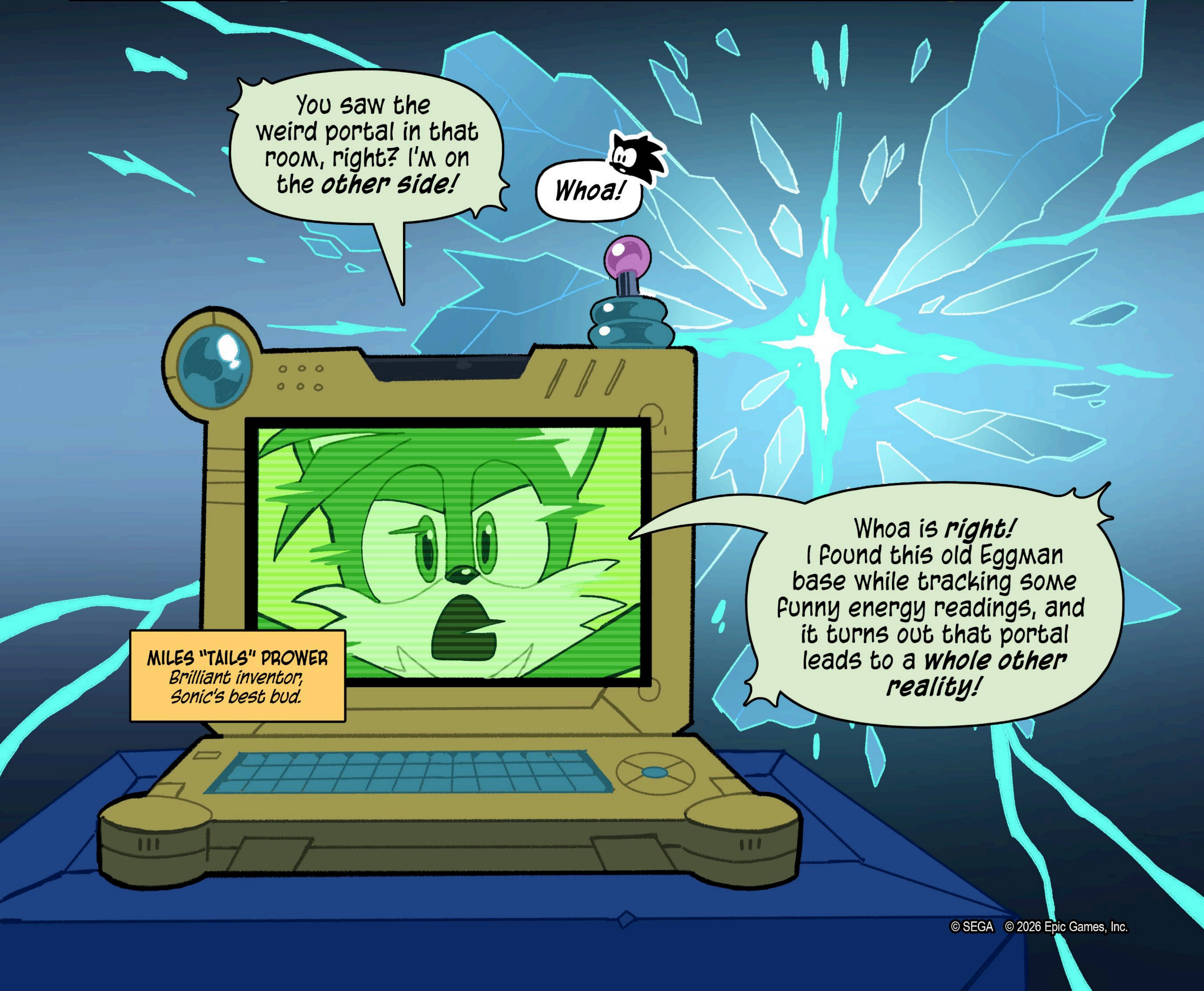
HEY, TAILS!  
I got your  
S.O.S.!

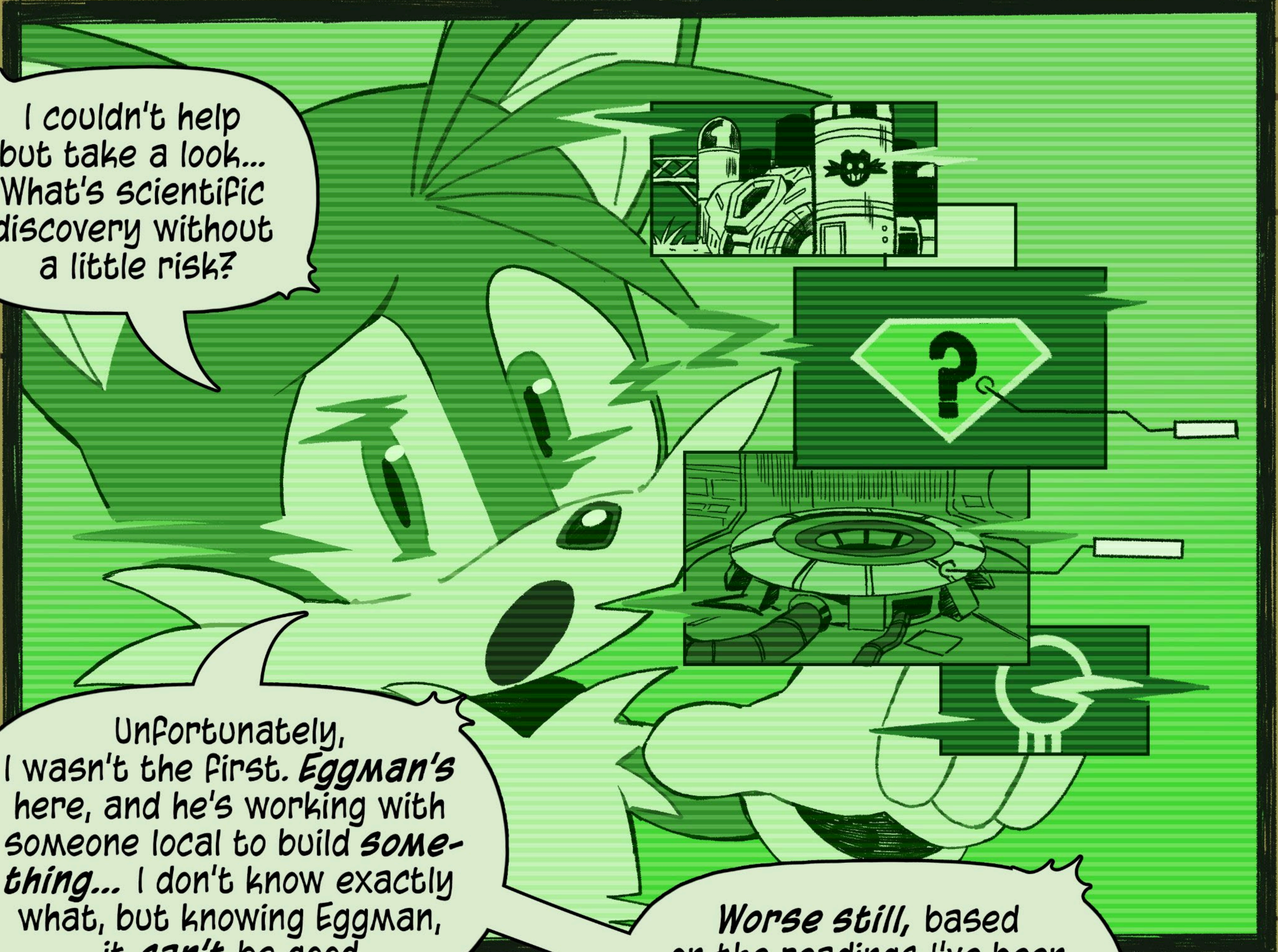
...Tails?

This better  
not be one of your  
*pranks*, hedgehog.

No! this is  
definitely the place  
from Tails' message. He  
said he'd found some-  
thing *bad*. Like, *world*  
*end-y* bad.

Y'think  
*that* might have  
something to do  
with it?



A large panel showing Sonic the Hedgehog looking intently at a screen. The screen displays a green-tinted image of a futuristic facility with a question mark in a diamond shape. There are also smaller inset images of a factory and a control room.

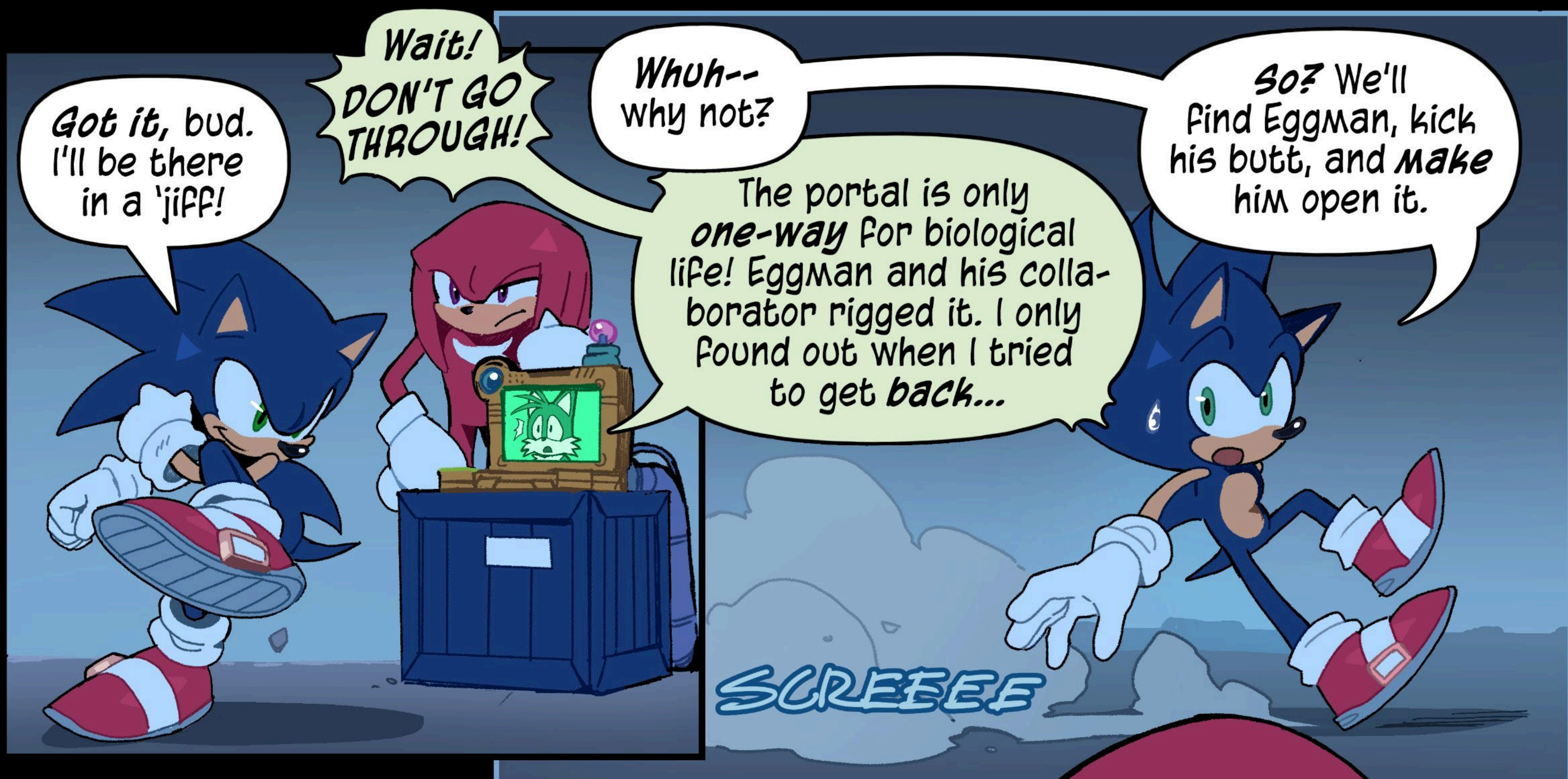
I couldn't help but take a look... What's scientific discovery without a little risk?

Unfortunately, I wasn't the first. *Eggman's* here, and he's working with someone local to build *something*... I don't know exactly what, but knowing Eggman, it *can't* be good.

*Worse still*, based on the readings I've been taking I think they're using the power of a *Chaos Emerald* to run their new machines!

A panel showing Shadow the Hedgehog, Sonic the Hedgehog, and Rouge the Bat looking at a monitor. Shadow is on the left, Sonic is in the middle, and Rouge is on the right. They are all looking at the monitor with serious expressions. The monitor shows a dark, abstract image.

We need to put a stop to it before things get worse here... Or they take their operation to *other* realities, like *ours*.





Hang tight, Tails! Looks like we've got a bit of a *bot* problem over here--

--No, it's okay! They're totally harmless!

...You sure about that?

I grabbed these guys off of one'a Eggmans' supply convoys! They were totally bare-bones when I got 'em. I fixed them up and reprogrammed them to help me *fight back*.

*I was getting a bit homesick, too...*

They're remote-controlled, which is fine for *simple* stuff, but if I'm gonna put a stop to Eggman's plans they're going to need to do a whole lot more. That's where *you guys* come in.

I need bio-data from all three of you to complete their programming and make them fully auto-nomous. All you need to do is give your counterparts a *handshake*.

*Haha, no!* It'll work, promise!

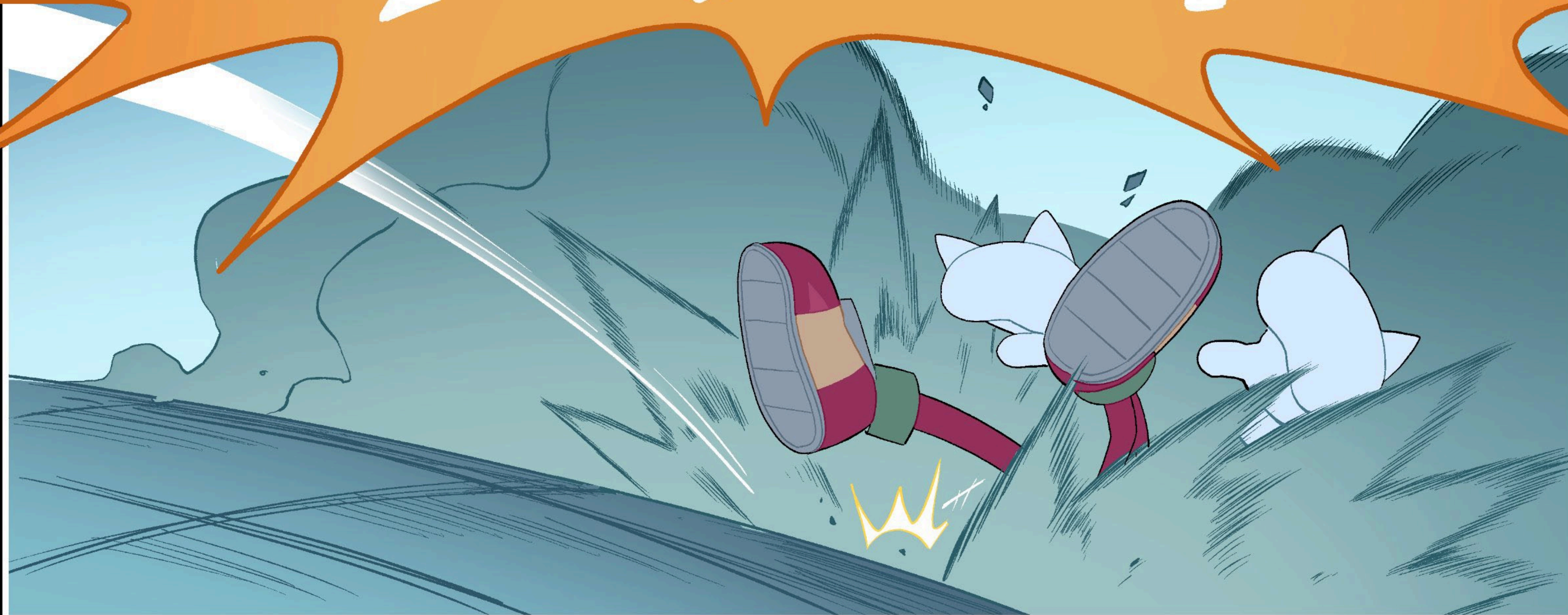
So they're not going to-- *just spitballing here*-- start saying they're "the real Sonic" and attack us?



Okay. bud. We're trusting you...



POW!!!







Good luck!

But we don't have time to stay and chat-- we've got work to do!

Come home soon, Tails!

To Be Continued...  
On the battlefield!