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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

x QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2015

OR

¨ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from to

Commission file number 0-27512

CSG SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	47-0783182
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

9555 Maroon Circle

Englewood, Colorado 80112

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(303) 200-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

YES x NO ¨

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

YES x NO ¨

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x	Accelerated filer ¨
Non-accelerated filer ¨ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company ¨

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

YES ¨ NO x

Shares of common stock outstanding at May 4, 2015: 32,750,066

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CSG SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS - UNAUDITED

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	March 31, 2015	December 31, 2014
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$89,277	$81,712
Short-term investments	80,617	120,088
Total cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	169,894	201,800
Trade accounts receivable:		
Billed, net of allowance of $3,187 and $3,323	180,096	184,369
Unbilled	44,281	42,439
Deferred income taxes	10,086	13,204
Income taxes receivable	5,799	7,851
Other current assets	28,412	28,470
Total current assets	438,568	478,133
Non-current assets:		
Property and equipment, net of depreciation of $140,469 and $138,065	36,991	38,326
Software, net of amortization of $88,531 and $86,797	42,086	44,732
Goodwill	219,666	225,269
Client contracts, net of amortization of $78,015 and $88,585	44,029	46,903
Deferred income taxes	9,169	8,890
Income taxes receivable	1,282	1,333
Other assets	18,425	16,142
Total non-current assets	371,648	381,595
Total assets	$810,216	$859,728
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Current maturities of long-term debt	$7,500	$22,500
Client deposits	32,952	35,791
Trade accounts payable	31,224	37,052
Accrued employee compensation	40,858	51,441
Deferred revenue	47,141	40,004
Income taxes payable	486	984
Other current liabilities	21,295	23,375
Total current liabilities	181,456	211,147
Non-current liabilities:		
Long-term debt, net of unamortized original issue discount of $12,653 and $14,169	277,972	233,331
Deferred revenue	8,798	9,648
Income taxes payable	1,613	1,613
Deferred income taxes	18,588	20,445
Other non-current liabilities	14,751	15,821
Total non-current liabilities	321,722	280,858
Total liabilities	503,178	492,005

Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, par value $.01 per share; 10,000 shares authorized; zero shares issued and outstanding	-	-
Common stock, par value $.01 per share; 100,000 shares authorized; 32,752 and 33,945 shares outstanding	671	667
Common stock warrants; 2,851 and 2,851 warrants issued and outstanding	7,310	6,694
Additional paid-in capital	477,969	486,414
Treasury stock, at cost, 34,356 and 32,763 shares	(804,437)	(757,478)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):		
Unrealized gain on short-term investments, net of tax	9	6
Unrecognized loss on change in fair value of interest rate swap contracts, net of tax	-	-
Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments	(22,921)	(13,386)
Accumulated earnings	648,437	644,806
Total stockholders' equity	307,038	367,723
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$810,216	$859,728

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

CSG SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME - UNAUDITED

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Quarter Ended March 31,	
	2015	2014
Revenues:		
Processing and related services	$143,833	$142,358
Software and services	22,633	24,856
Maintenance	19,165	20,814
Total revenues	185,631	188,028
Cost of revenues (exclusive of depreciation, shown separately below):		
Processing and related services	69,260	68,427
Software and services	21,109	25,320
Maintenance	9,897	8,357
Total cost of revenues	100,266	102,104
Other operating expenses:		
Research and development	25,729	25,007
Selling, general and administrative	33,442	35,299
Depreciation	3,695	3,486
Restructuring and reorganization charges	606	1,218
Total operating expenses	163,738	167,114
Operating income	21,893	20,914
Other income (expense):		
Interest expense	(3,368)	(2,772)
Amortization of original issue discount	(1,516)	(1,404)
Interest and investment income, net	167	213
Other, net	(465)	51
Total other	(5,182)	(3,912)
Income before income taxes	16,711	17,002
Income tax provision	(7,353)	(7,311)
Net income	$9,358	$9,691
Weighted-average shares outstanding:		
Basic	31,542	32,319
Diluted	33,340	34,035
Earnings per common share:		
Basic	$0.30	$0.30
Diluted	0.28	0.28
Cash dividends declared per common share:	$0.175	$0.150

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) - UNAUDITED

(in thousands)

	Quarter Ended March 31,	
	2015	2014
Net income	$9,358	$9,691
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:		
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(9,535)	904
Unrealized holding gains on short-term investments arising during period	3	19
Cash flow hedges:		
Unrealized gains on change in fair value of interest rate swap contracts (net of tax effect of $0 and $110)	-	195
Reclassification adjustment for losses included in net income (net of tax effect of $0, and $(55))	-	(97)
Net change in cash flow hedges	-	98
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	(9,532)	1,021
Total comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	$(174)	$10,712

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS - UNAUDITED

(in thousands)

	Quarter Ended March 31,	
	2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	$9,358	$9,691
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities-		
Depreciation	3,695	3,486
Amortization	8,217	8,590
Amortization of original issue discount	1,516	1,404
Loss on short-term investments and other	91	453
Gain on disposition of business operations	-	(222)
Deferred income taxes	23	2,772
Excess tax benefit of stock-based compensation awards	(1,796)	(1,974)
Stock-based employee compensation	5,089	3,783
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquired amounts:		
Trade accounts receivable, net	(986)	(18,029)
Other current and non-current assets	(1,093)	(3,448)
Income taxes payable/receivable	3,338	707
Trade accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(16,140)	(17,464)
Deferred revenue	7,624	1,673
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	18,936	(8,578)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(6,695)	(4,499)
Purchases of short-term investments	(10,085)	(40,531)
Proceeds from sale/maturity of short-term investments	49,470	50,855
Acquisition of and investments in client contracts	(1,223)	(1,509)
Proceeds from the disposition of business operations	-	630
Net cash used in investing activities	31,467	4,946
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	396	340
Payment of cash dividends	(5,842)	(5,162)
Repurchase of common stock	(62,753)	(6,518)
Payments on acquired asset financing	(829)	-
Proceeds from long-term debt	150,000	-
Payments on long-term debt	(121,875)	(3,750)
Payments of deferred financing costs	(2,692)	-
Excess tax benefit of stock-based compensation awards	1,796	1,974
Net cash used in financing activities	(41,799)	(13,116)
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash	(1,039)	(484)

Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	7,565	(17,232)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	81,712	82,686
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	$89,277	$65,454
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the period for-		
Interest	$3,441	$3,322
Income taxes	3,968	3,755

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

1. GENERAL

We have prepared the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements as of March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, and for the quarters ended March 31, 2015 and 2014, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S.") ("GAAP") for interim financial information, and pursuant to the instructions to Form 10-Q and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of our management, all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for a fair presentation of our financial position and operating results have been included. The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (the "Financial Statements") should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto, together with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A"), contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 (our "2014 10-K"), filed with the SEC. The results of operations for the quarter ended March 31, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the expected results for the entire year ending December 31, 2015.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Use of Estimates in Preparation of Financial Statements. The preparation of the accompanying Financial Statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of our Financial Statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents. We consider all highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less at the date of the purchase to be cash equivalents. As of March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, our cash equivalents consist primarily of institutional money market funds, commercial paper, and time deposits held at major banks.

As of March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had $5.0 million and $4.7 million, respectively, of restricted cash that serves to collateralize outstanding letters of credit. This restricted cash is included in cash and cash equivalents in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets ("Balance Sheets" or "Balance Sheet").

Short-term Investments and Other Financial Instruments. Our financial instruments as of March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 include cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and debt. Because of their short maturities, the carrying amounts of cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and accounts payable approximate their fair value.

Our short-term investments and certain of our cash equivalents are considered "available-for-sale" and are reported at fair value in our Balance Sheets, with unrealized gains and losses, net of the related income tax effect, excluded from earnings and reported in a separate component of stockholders' equity. Realized and unrealized gains and losses were not material in any period presented.

Primarily all short-term investments held by us as of March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 have contractual maturities of less than two years from the time of acquisition. Our short-term investments as of March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 consisted almost entirely of fixed income securities. Proceeds from the sale/maturity of short-term investments for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 were $49.5 million and $50.9 million, respectively.

The following table represents the fair value hierarchy based upon three levels of inputs, of which Levels 1 and 2 are considered observable and Level 3 is unobservable, for our financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value (in thousands):

	March 31, 2015			December 31, 2014		
	Level 1	Level 2	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Assets:						
Cash equivalents:						
Money market funds	$26,081	$—	$26,081	$9,785	$—	$9,785
Commercial paper	—	7,564	7,564	—	12,248	12,248
Short-term investments:						
Corporate debt securities	—	50,100	50,100	—	88,494	88,494
Municipal bonds	—	7,289	7,289	—	9,945	9,945
U.S. government agency bonds	—	16,091	16,091	—	11,313	11,313
Asset-backed securities	—	7,137	7,137		10,336	10,336
Total	$26,081	$88,181	$114,262	$9,785	$132,336	$142,121

Valuation inputs used to measure the fair values of our money market funds were derived from quoted market prices. The fair values of all other financial instruments are based upon pricing provided by third-party pricing services. These prices were derived from observable market inputs.

We have chosen not to measure our debt at fair value, with changes recognized in earnings each reporting period. The following table indicates the carrying value and estimated fair value of our debt as of the indicated periods (in thousands):

	March 31, 2015		December 31, 2014	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Credit agreement (carrying value including current maturities)	$148,125	$148,125	$120,000	$120,000
Convertible debt (par value)	150,000	203,880	150,000	178,920

The fair value for our credit agreement was estimated using a discounted cash flow methodology, while the fair value for our convertible debt was estimated based upon quoted market prices or recent sales activity, both of which are considered Level 2 inputs. See Note 4 for discussion regarding the amendment to our credit agreement.

Accounting Pronouncement Issued But Not Yet Effective. In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606). This ASU is a single comprehensive model which supersedes nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance under U.S. GAAP. Under the new guidance, revenue is recognized when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration that is expected to be received for those goods or services. The ASU also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. The updated accounting guidance is effective for annual and interim reporting periods in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016. Early adoption is not permitted. An

entity may choose to adopt this ASU either retrospectively or through a cumulative effect adjustment as of the start of the first period for which it applies the standard. We are currently in the process of evaluating the impact that this new guidance will have on our consolidated financial statements and our method of adoption.

3. LONG-LIVED ASSETS

Goodwill. The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the first quarter of 2015, were as follows (in thousands):

January 1, 2015 balance	$225,269
Adjustments related to prior acquisitions	(15)
Effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates	(5,588)
March 31, 2015 balance	$219,666

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Other Intangible Assets. Our intangible assets subject to ongoing amortization consist primarily of client contracts and software. As of March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the carrying values of these assets were as follows (in thousands):

	March 31, 2015			December 31, 2014		
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Amount	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Amount
Client contracts	$122,044	$ (78,015)	$44,029	$135,488	$ (88,585)	$46,903
Software	130,617	(88,531)	42,086	131,529	(86,797)	44,732
Total	$252,661	$ (166,546)	$86,115	$267,017	$ (175,382)	$91,635

The total amortization expense related to intangible assets for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 were $6.9 million and $8.0 million, respectively. Based on the March 31, 2015 net carrying value of our intangible assets, the estimated total amortization expense for each of the five succeeding fiscal years ending December 31 are: 2015 – $25.7 million; 2016 – $18.9 million; 2017 – $15.2 million; 2018 – $12.0 million; and 2019 – $8.3 million.

4. DEBT

Our long-term debt, as of March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, was as follows (in thousands):

	March 31, 2015	December 31, 2014
2015 Credit Agreement:		
Term loan, due February 2020, interest at adjusted LIBOR plus 1.75% (combined rate of 2.03% at March 31, 2015)	$148,125	$ —
$200 million revolving loan facility, due February 2020, interest at adjusted LIBOR plus applicable margin	—	—
2012 Credit Agreement:		
Term loan, due November 2017 (or December 2016 if certain conditions exist), interest at adjusted LIBOR plus 2.00% (combined rate of 2.25% at December 31, 2014)	—	120,000
$100 million revolving loan facility, due November 2017 (or December 2016 if certain conditions exist), interest at adjusted LIBOR plus applicable margin	—	—
Convertible Debt Securities:		
2010 Convertible Notes – senior subordinated convertible notes; due March 1, 2017; cash interest at 3.0%; net of unamortized OID of $12,653 and $14,169, respectively	137,347	135,831
	285,472	255,831
Current portion of long-term debt	(7,500)	(22,500)
Total long-term debt, net	$277,972	$ 233,331

2015 Credit Agreement. In February 2015, we entered into an amended and restated $350 million credit agreement with several financial institutions (the “2015 Credit Agreement”) to replace the 2012 Credit Agreement.

The 2015 Credit Agreement provides borrowings in the form of: (i) a $150 million aggregate principal five-year term loan (the “2015 Term Loan”); and (ii) a $200 million aggregate principal five-year revolving loan facility (the “2015 Revolver”). With the $150 million proceeds from the 2015 Term Loan, we repaid the outstanding $120 million balance from term loan under the 2012 Credit Agreement, resulting in a net increase of available cash by $30 million, a portion of which was used to pay certain fees and expenses in connection with the refinancing.

As a result of the 2015 Credit Agreement, we have pledged assets under a security agreement in favor of a financial institution as collateral agent (the “Security Agreement”). Under the Security Agreement, all of our domestic subsidiaries have pledged substantially all of their assets to secure the obligations under the 2015 Credit Agreement and related security agreement.

In conjunction with the closing of the 2015 Credit Agreement, we incurred financing costs of $2.7 million. When combined with the remaining deferred financing costs for the 2012 Credit Agreement, financing costs of $5.9 have been deferred and are amortized to interest expense using the effective interest method over the related term of the 2015 Credit Agreement, and financing costs of $0.9 million were recorded in interest expense in the first quarter of 2015.

2010 Convertible Notes. Upon conversion of the 2010 Convertible Notes, we will settle our conversion obligation as follows: (i) we will pay cash for 100% of the par value of the 2010 Convertible Notes that are converted; and (ii) to the extent the value of our conversion obligation exceeds the par value, we will satisfy the remaining conversion obligation in our common stock, cash or any combination of our common stock and cash

As the result of our declaring a cash dividend in March 2015 (see Note 7), the previous conversion rate for the 2010 Convertible Notes of 42.6404 shares of our common stock for each $1,000 in principal amount of the 2010 Convertible Notes (equivalent to a conversion price of $23.45 per share of our common stock) has been adjusted to 42.8889 shares of our common stock for each $1,000 in principal amount of the 2010 Convertible Notes (equivalent to a conversion price of $23.32 per share of our common stock).

Refer to Note 5 in our 2014 10-K for disclosure of the 2010 Convertible Notes' three contingent conversion features. As a result of the cash dividend declaration in March 2015, prior to September 1, 2016, holders of the 2010 Convertible Notes can convert their securities at any time the price of our common stock trades over $30.32 per share, or 130% of the $23.32 conversion price (previously $30.49 per share, or 130% of the $23.45 conversion price) for a specified period of time.

As of March 31, 2015, none of the contingent conversion features have been achieved, and thus, the 2010 Convertible Notes are not convertible by the holders.

5. COMMITMENTS, GUARANTEES AND CONTINGENCIES

Warranties. We generally warrant that our solutions and related offerings will conform to published specifications, or to specifications provided in an individual client arrangement, as applicable. The typical warranty period is 90 days from the date of acceptance of the solution or offering. For certain service offerings we provide a limited warranty for the duration of the services provided. We generally warrant that services will be performed in a professional and workmanlike manner. The typical remedy for breach of warranty is to correct or replace any defective deliverable, and if not possible or practical, we will accept the return of the defective deliverable and refund the amount paid under the client arrangement that is allocable to the defective deliverable. Our contracts also generally contain limitation of damages provisions in an effort to reduce our exposure to monetary damages arising from breach of warranty claims. Historically, we have incurred minimal warranty costs, and as a result, do not maintain a warranty reserve.

Product and Services Indemnifications. Our arrangements with our clients generally include an indemnification provision that will indemnify and defend a client in actions brought against the client that claim our products and/or services infringe upon a copyright, trade secret, or valid patent. Historically, we have not incurred any significant costs related to such indemnification claims, and as a result, do not maintain a reserve for such exposure.

Claims for Company Non-performance. Our arrangements with our clients typically cap our liability for breach to a specified amount of the direct damages incurred by the client resulting from the breach. From time-to-time, these arrangements may also include provisions for possible liquidated damages or other financial remedies for our non-performance, or in the case of certain of our outsourced customer care and billing solutions, provisions for damages related to service level performance requirements. The service level performance requirements typically relate to system availability and timeliness of service delivery. As of March 31, 2015, we believe we have adequate reserves, based on our historical experience, to cover any reasonably anticipated exposure as a result of our nonperformance for any past or current arrangements with our clients.

Indemnifications Related to Officers and the Board of Directors. We have agreed to indemnify members of our Board and certain of our officers if they are named or threatened to be named as a party to any proceeding by reason of the fact that they acted in such capacity. We maintain directors' and officers' (D&O) insurance coverage to protect against such losses. We have not historically incurred any losses related to these types of indemnifications, and are not aware of any pending or threatened actions or claims against any officer or member of our Board. As a result, we have not recorded any liabilities related to such indemnifications as of March 31, 2015. In addition, as a result of the insurance policy coverage, we believe these indemnification agreements are not significant to our results of operations.

Legal Proceedings. From time-to-time, we are involved in litigation relating to claims arising out of our operations in the normal course of business. We are not presently a party to any material pending or threatened legal proceedings.

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6. EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE

Basic and diluted earnings per common share ("EPS") amounts are presented on the face of the accompanying Income Statements.

No reconciliation of the basic and diluted EPS numerators is necessary as net income is used as the numerators for all periods presented. The reconciliation of the basic and diluted EPS denominators related to the common shares is included in the following table (in thousands):

	Quarter Ended March 31	
	2015	2014
Basic weighted-average common shares	31,542	32,319
Dilutive effect of restricted common stock	658	750
Dilutive effect of 2010 Convertible Notes	1,093	966
Dilutive effect of Stock Warrants	47	—
Diluted weighted-average common shares	33,340	34,035

In March 2015, we received an initial delivery of 1.3 million shares related our accelerated stock repurchase transaction agreement which reduced our weighted average shares outstanding for purposes of calculating basic and diluted EPS for the first quarter of 2015 (see Note 7).

The 2010 Convertible Notes have a dilutive effect only in those quarterly periods in which our average stock price exceeds the current effective conversion price (see Note 4).

The Stock Warrants have a dilutive effect only in those quarterly periods in which our average stock price exceeds the exercise price of $26.68 per warrant (under the treasury stock method), and are not subject to performance vesting conditions (see Note 7).

Potentially dilutive common shares related to non-participating unvested restricted stock excluded from the computation of diluted EPS, as the effect was antidilutive, were not material in any period presented.

7. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

Stock Repurchase Program. We currently have a stock repurchase program, approved by our Board of Directors (the "Board"), authorizing us to repurchase our common stock from time-to-time as market and business conditions warrant (the "Stock Repurchase Program"). In February 2015, our Board approved a 7.5 million share increase in the number of shares authorized for repurchase under the Stock Repurchase Program, bringing the total number of shares authorized to 42.5 million. During the first quarter of 2015 we repurchased 0.3 million shares of our common stock for $7.0 million (weighted-average price of $27.06 per share) under a Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Rule 10b5-1 Plan.

In March 2015, we entered into an accelerated share repurchase transaction agreement (the "ASR Agreement") with a counterparty to repurchase $50 million of our common stock. In March 2015, we paid $50 million to the counterparty

and received an initial delivery of 1.3 million shares of our outstanding common stock for an aggregate value of approximately $40 million. The initial shares were reflected as treasury stock in the period the shares were delivered. The remaining amount was recorded as a forward contract indexed to our common stock in additional paid in capital. The final delivery of shares under the ASR Agreement will be based generally upon the daily volume weighted average price of our common stock during the repurchase period. At settlement, under certain circumstances, the counterparty may be required to deliver additional shares of common stock to us, or under certain circumstances, we may be required to deliver shares of common stock or cash, at our option, to the counterparty. Final settlement of the transactions under the ASR Agreement is expected to occur no later than December 2015. The ASR Agreement meets all the applicable criteria for equity classification, and, therefore, is not accounted for as a derivative instrument.

As of March 31, 2015, the total remaining number of shares available for repurchase under the Stock Repurchase Program totaled 7.3 million shares.

We did not repurchase any shares under our Stock Repurchase Program during the first quarter of 2014.

Stock Repurchases for Tax Withholdings. In addition to the above mentioned stock repurchases, during the first quarters of 2015 and 2014, we repurchased and then cancelled 0.2 million shares of common stock for $5.8 million and 0.2 million shares of common stock for $6.5 million, respectively, in connection with minimum tax withholding requirements resulting from the vesting of restricted common stock under our stock incentive plans.

Cash Dividends. During the first quarter of 2015, the Board approved a quarterly cash dividend of $0.175 per share of common stock, totaling $5.7 million. During the first quarter of 2014, the Board approved a quarterly cash dividend of $0.150 per share of common stock, totaling $5.1 million.

Warrants. In 2014, in conjunction with the execution of an amendment to our current agreement with Comcast Corporation ("Comcast"), we issued stock warrants (the "Warrant Agreement") for the right to purchase up to approximately 2.9 million shares of our common stock (the "Stock Warrants") as an additional incentive for Comcast to migrate new customer accounts to ACP. The Stock Warrants have a 10-year term and an exercise price of $26.68 per warrant.

As of March 31, 2015, approximately 1.0 million Stock Warrants have vested, of which approximately 0.5 million vested in January 2015. The fair value of the 0.5 million Stock Warrants that vested in January 2015 was $3.7 million at the grant date, as determined using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model.

Upon vesting, the Stock Warrants are recorded as a client incentive asset with the corresponding offset to stockholders' equity. The client incentive asset related to the Stock Warrants is amortized as a reduction in processing and related services revenues over the remaining term of the Comcast amended agreement. As of March 31, 2015, we recorded a client incentive asset related to these Stock Warrants of $7.3 million and have amortized $0.8 million as a reduction in processing and related services revenues.

The remaining unvested Stock Warrants will be accounted for as client incentive assets in the period the performance conditions necessary for vesting have been met. As of March 31, 2015, none of the Stock Warrants had been exercised.

Stock-Based Awards. A summary of our unvested restricted common stock activity during the first quarter of 2015 is as follows (shares in thousands):

	Quarter Ended March 31, 2015	
	Shares	Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value
Unvested awards, beginning	2,311	$ 22.81
Awards granted	588	29.64
Awards forfeited/cancelled	(17)	21.46
Awards vested	(572)	19.82
Unvested awards, ending	2,310	$ 25.30

Included in the awards granted during the first quarter of 2015, are performance-based awards for 0.1 million restricted common stock shares issued to members of executive management, which vest in equal installments over three years upon meeting either pre-established financial performance objectives or pre-established stock price objectives. The performance-based awards become fully vested upon a change in control, as defined, and the subsequent involuntary termination of employment.

All other restricted common stock shares granted during the first quarter of 2015 are time-based awards, which vest annually over four years with no restrictions other than the passage of time. Certain shares of the restricted common stock become fully vested upon a change in control, as defined, and the subsequent involuntary termination of employment.

We recorded stock-based compensation expense for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 of $5.1 million and $3.8 million.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The information contained in this MD&A should be read in conjunction with the Financial Statements and Notes thereto included in this Form 10-Q and the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto in our 2014 10-K.

Forward-Looking Statements

This report contains a number of forward-looking statements relative to our future plans and our expectations concerning our business and the industries we serve. These forward-looking statements are based on assumptions about a number of important factors, and involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from estimates contained in the forward-looking statements. Some of the risks that are foreseen by management are outlined within Part II Item IA. Risk Factors of this report and in Part I Item 1A. Risk Factors of our 2014 10-K. Readers are strongly encouraged to review those sections closely in conjunction with MD&A.

Company Overview

We are one of the world's largest and most established business support solutions providers primarily serving the communications industry. Our proven approach and solutions are based on our broad and deep experience in serving clients in the communications industry as their businesses have evolved from a single product offering to a highly complex, highly competitive, multi-product service offering. Our approach has centered on using the best technology for the various functions required to provide world-class solutions.

Our solutions help service providers streamline and scale operations, introduce and adapt products and services to meet changing consumer demands, and address the challenges and opportunities of a dynamically evolving global business environment. Our broad suite of solutions helps our clients improve their business operations by creating more compelling product offerings and an enhanced customer experience through more relevant and targeted interactions, while at the same time, more efficiently managing the service provider's cost structure. Over the years, we have focused our research and development ("R&D") and acquisition investments on expanding our solution set to address the ever expanding needs of communications service providers to provide a differentiated, real-time, and personal experience for their consumers. This extensive suite of solutions includes revenue management, content management and monetization, and customer interaction management platforms.

We generate approximately 65% of our revenues from the North American cable and satellite markets, approximately 25% of our revenues from wireline and wireless communication providers, and the remainder from a variety of other verticals, such as financial services, logistics, and transportation. Additionally, during the first quarter of 2015, we generated approximately 85% of our revenues from the Americas region, approximately 11% of our revenues from the Europe, Middle East and Africa region, and approximately 4% of our revenues from the Asia Pacific region.

We are a S&P Small Cap 600 company.

Management Overview of Quarterly Results

First Quarter Highlights. A summary of our results of operations for the first quarter of 2015, when compared to the first quarter of 2014, is as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts and percentages):

Quarter Ended

	March 31, 2015		March 31, 2014	
Revenues	$185,631		$188,028	
Operating Results:				
Operating income	21,893		20,914	
Operating income margin	11.8	%	11.1	%
Diluted EPS	$0.28		$0.28	
Supplemental Data:				
Restructuring and reorganization charges	$606		$1,218	
Stock-based compensation	5,089		3,783	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	3,218		3,990	
Amortization of OID	1,516		1,404	

Revenues. Our revenues for the first quarter of 2015 were $185.6 million, a decrease of 1% when compared to $188.0 million for the same period in 2014. The year-over-year decrease in revenues can be mainly attributed to foreign currency movements, offset to a certain degree by continued strong processing revenues.

Operating Results. Operating income for the first quarter of 2015 was $21.9 million, or an 11.8% operating income margin percentage, compared to $20.9 million, or an 11.1% operating income margin percentage for the first quarter of 2014, with the increases a result of lower operating expenses in the first quarter of 2015, which more than offset the decrease in revenues.

Diluted EPS. Diluted EPS for the first quarter of 2015 was $0.28, consistent with the first quarter of 2014.

Cash and Cash Flows. As of March 31, 2015, we had cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments of $169.9 million, as compared to $201.8 million as of December 31, 2014, with the decrease primarily a result of the $57 million of stock repurchases under our share repurchase program during the quarter, which includes $50 million spent on the ASR Agreement executed in March 2015. This decrease was offset by $30 million of proceeds from our debt refinancing completed in February 2015. Our cash flows from operating activities for the first quarter of 2015 were $18.9 million. See the Liquidity section below for further discussion of our cash flows.

Significant Client Relationships

Client Concentration. A large percentage of our historical revenues have been generated from our three largest clients, which are Comcast, DISH Network Corporation ("DISH"), and Time Warner Cable, Inc. ("Time Warner"). Revenues from these clients represented the following percentages of our total revenues for the indicated periods:

	Quarter Ended March 31, 2015	December 31, 2014	March 31, 2014
Comcast	23 %	22 %	21 %
DISH	15 %	14 %	15 %
Time Warner	11 %	11 %	11 %

The percentages of net billed accounts receivable balances attributable to our largest clients as of the indicated dates were as follows:

	As of March 15, 2015	December 31, 2014	March 31, 2014
Comcast	23 %	21 %	19 %
DISH	14 %	13 %	13 %
Time Warner	9 %	12 %	13 %

See our 2014 10-K for additional discussion of our business relationships and contractual terms with the above mentioned significant clients.

Comcast/Time Warner/Charter Transactions. In early 2014, Comcast announced its intent to acquire Time Warner. In conjunction with this transaction, Comcast, Time Warner, and Charter Communications ("Charter") announced their intention to exchange certain customer accounts amongst them. Charter currently is our fourth largest client. In April

2015, Comcast announced it had terminated its plans to acquire Time Warner. Had Comcast's acquisition of Time Warner, and the related exchange of customer accounts amongst the entities proceeded, the Time Warner and Charter customer accounts, currently being processed on our platform and acquired by Comcast, would have been entitled to more favorable volume pricing terms under our Comcast agreement. The annual effect of this more favorable pricing was estimated to be between $15 and $20 million. As a result of this recent announcement to terminate the proposed transactions, we no longer expect the originally anticipated material changes to our revenues from these transactions.

Risk of Client Concentration. We expect to continue to generate a significant percentage of our future revenues from our largest clients mentioned above. There are inherent risks whenever a large percentage of total revenues are concentrated with a limited number of clients. Should a significant client: (i) terminate or fail to renew their contracts with us, in whole or in part, for any reason; (ii) significantly reduce the number of customer accounts processed on our solutions, the price paid for our services, or the scope of services that we provide; or (iii) experience significant financial or operating difficulties, it could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of our Financial Statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. requires us to select appropriate accounting policies, and to make judgments and estimates affecting the application of those accounting policies. In applying our accounting policies, different business conditions or the use of different assumptions may result in materially different amounts reported in our Financial Statements.

We have identified the most critical accounting policies that affect our financial position and the results of our operations. Those critical accounting policies were determined by considering the accounting policies that involve the most complex or subjective decisions or assessments. The most critical accounting policies identified relate to: (i) revenue recognition; (ii) allowance for doubtful accounts receivable; (iii) impairment assessments of goodwill and other long-lived assets; (iv) income taxes; (v) business combinations and asset purchases; and (vi) loss contingencies. These critical accounting policies, as well as our other significant accounting policies, are discussed in our 2014 10-K.

Results of Operations

Total Revenues. Total revenues for the first quarter of 2015 were $185.6 million, a 1% decrease when compared to $188.0 million for the first quarter of 2014. The year-over-year decrease in revenues can be mainly attributed to foreign currency movements, offset to a certain degree by continued strong processing revenues.

The components of total revenues, discussed in more detail below, are as follows (in thousands):

	Quarter Ended March 31,	
	2015	2014
Revenues:		
Processing and related services	$ 143,833	$ 142,358
Software and services	22,633	24,856
Maintenance	19,165	20,814
Total revenues	$ 185,631	$ 188,028

We use the location of the client as the basis of attributing revenues to individual countries. Revenues by geographic regions for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 were as follows (in thousands):

	Quarter Ended March 31,	
	2015	2014
Americas (principally the U.S.)	$ 157,831	$ 162,345
Europe, Middle East, and Africa	19,475	18,391
Asia Pacific	8,325	7,292
Total revenues	$ 185,631	$ 188,028

Processing and related services revenues. Processing and related services revenues for the first quarter of 2015 increased 1% to $143.8 million, from $142.4 million for the first quarter of 2014. The increase in processing and related services revenues is due mainly to the following key items: (i) growth in our various processing solutions and related ancillary services, including our content monetization platform; and (ii) growth in our international managed

services offering.

Additionally, amortization of our client contracts intangible assets related to investments in client contracts (reflected as a reduction of processing and related services revenues) for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 were $1.3 million and $1.5 million, respectively.

Software and Services Revenues. Software and services revenues for the first quarter of 2015 decreased 9% to $22.6 million, from $24.9 million for the first quarter of 2014. The decrease in software and services revenues can be attributed to foreign currency movements, and to a lesser degree, continued extended sales cycles in our software and professional services business and continued low market demand for large transformational software and service deals, as well as the normal fluctuations in project level work completed between quarters.

Maintenance Revenues. Maintenance revenues for the first quarter of 2015 were $19.2 million, an 8% decrease when compared to $20.8 million generated in the first quarter of 2014. This decrease is due mainly to foreign currency movements, and to a lesser degree, timing of maintenance renewals and related revenue recognition and pricing pressures experienced on maintenance renewals.

Total Expenses. Our operating expenses for the first quarter of 2015 were $163.7 million, a 2% decrease when compared to $167.1 million for the first quarter of 2014, with the decrease due mainly to foreign currency movements and lower sales, general and administrative ("SG&A") costs.

The components of total expenses are discussed in more detail below.

Cost of Revenues. See our 2014 10-K for a description of the types of costs that are included in the individual line items for cost of revenues.

Cost of Processing and Related Services (Exclusive of Depreciation). The cost of processing and related services for the first quarter of 2015 increased 1%, to $69.3 million, from $68.4 million for the first quarter of 2014, reflective of the increase in processing revenues. Total processing and related services cost as a percentage of our processing and related services revenues for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 were relatively consistent at 48.2% and 48.1%, respectively.

Cost of Software and Services (Exclusive of Depreciation). The cost of software and services for the first quarter of 2015 decreased 17%, to $21.1 million, from $25.3 million for the first quarter of 2014. This decrease in cost of software and services is reflective of the lower revenues for the periods, favorable foreign currency movements, and a result of the reassignment of personnel and the related costs previously assigned internally to software and consulting projects to other projects.

Total software and services cost as a percentage of our software and services revenues for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 were 93.3% and 101.9%, respectively, with the level and variability of these percentages reflective of the negative impact of two large implementation projects. For the quarter ended March 31, 2014, we incurred a loss of approximately $4 million on a large software and implementation project (expected to be substantially completed in 2019) due to cost overruns. For the quarter ended March 31, 2015, we incurred a loss of approximately $5 million on another large software and services implementation project due to estimated cost overruns. This project is expected to be substantially completed in 2017.

Variability in quarterly revenues and operating results are inherent characteristics of companies that sell software licenses and perform professional services. Our quarterly revenues for software licenses and professional services may fluctuate, depending on various factors, including the timing of executed contracts and revenue recognition, and the delivery of contracted solutions. However, the costs associated with software and professional services revenues are not subject to the same degree of variability (e.g., these costs are generally fixed in nature within a relatively short period of time), and thus, fluctuations in our cost of software and services as a percentage of our software and services revenues will likely occur between periods.

Cost of Maintenance (Exclusive of Depreciation). The cost of maintenance for the first quarter of 2015 increased 18%, to $9.9 million, from $8.4 million for the first quarter of 2014, with the increase mainly attributed to the reassignment of personnel and the related costs to maintenance projects from other projects. Total cost of maintenance as a percentage of our maintenance revenues for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 were 51.6% and 40.2%, respectively.

R&D Expense. R&D expense for the first quarter of 2015 was $25.7 million, relatively consistent with $25.0 million for the first quarter of 2014. As a percentage of total revenues, R&D expense was 13.9% for the first quarter of 2015 compared to 13.3% for the first quarter of 2014.

Our R&D efforts are focused on the continued evolution of our solutions that enable service providers worldwide to provide a more personalized customer experience while turning transactions into revenues. This includes the

continued investment in our business support solutions aimed at improving a providers' time-to-market for new offerings, flexibility, scalability, and total cost of ownership. We expect that our R&D investment activities in the near-term will be relatively consistent with previous quarters, with the level of R&D spend highly dependent upon the opportunities that we see in our markets.

SG&A Expense. SG&A expense for the first quarter of 2015 decreased 5% to $33.4 million, from $35.3 million for the first quarter of 2014, with the decrease mainly attributed to foreign currency movements and lower sales and marketing costs. The lower sales and marketing costs in the first quarter of 2015 reflect the financial benefits of the restructuring activities undertaken in 2014. Additionally, it should be noted that the first quarter of 2014 SG&A expense benefited from a settlement agreement ending litigation that we had asserted against a third party for patent infringement and misappropriation of trade secrets. In exchange for the release from the lawsuit we initiated, we recorded $3.9 million (net of a time value discount and legal costs incurred) as a reduction of SG&A expenses in that period.

Our SG&A costs as a percentage of total revenues for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 were 18.0% and 18.8%, respectively.

Operating Income. Operating income and operating income margin percentages for the first quarter of 2015 was $21.9 million, or 11.8% of total revenues, compared to $20.9 million, or 11.1% of total revenues for the first quarter of 2014. The increases in operating income and operating income margin percentage are mainly due to the overall reduction in operating expenses discussed above.

Income Tax Provision. The effective income tax rates for the first quarters of 2015 and 2014 were as follows:

Quarter Ended March 31,	
2015	2014
44 %	43 %

For the full-year 2015 we are currently estimating an effective income tax rate of 43%, which does not include any benefit from R&D tax credits generated during the year, as they have not yet received Congressional approval. If enacted prior to the end of the year, we would include those income tax benefits in our 2015 effective income tax rate.

Liquidity

Cash and Liquidity

As of March 31, 2015, our principal sources of liquidity included cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments of $169.9 million, compared to $201.8 million as of December 31, 2014. We generally invest our excess cash balances in low-risk, short-term investments to limit our exposure to market and credit risks.

As part of our 2015 Credit Agreement, we have a $200 million senior secured revolving loan facility with a syndicate of financial institutions that expires in February 2020. As of March 31, 2015, there were no borrowings outstanding on the 2015 Revolver. The 2015 Credit Agreement contains customary affirmative covenants and financial covenants. As of March 31, 2015, and the date of this filing, we believe that we are in compliance with the provisions of the 2015 Credit Agreement.

Our cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investment balances as of the end of the indicated periods were located in the following geographical regions (in thousands):

	March 31, 2015	December 31, 2014
Americas (principally the U.S.)	$ 143,291	$ 175,070
Europe, Middle East and Africa	22,921	