UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

October 28, 2015

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

SONUS NETWORKS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-34115

(Commission File Number)

04-3387074 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE, WESTFORD, MASSACHUSETTS 01886 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(978) 614-8100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The information under this Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 attached hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

On October 28, 2015, Sonus Networks, Inc. issued a press release reporting its financial results for the quarter ended September 25, 2015, and posted supplementary financial and operational data on its website, www.sonus.net, in connection with the announcement of such financial results. Copies of the press release and the supplementary financial and operational data are furnished as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits relating to Item 2.02 shall be deemed furnished, and not filed:

- 99.1 Press release of Sonus Networks, Inc. dated October 28, 2015 reporting its financial results for the quarter ended September 25, 2015.
- 99.2 Supplementary Financial and Operational Data issued by Sonus Networks, Inc. on October 28, 2015.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 28, 2015

SONUS NETWORKS, INC.

By:

/s/ Jeffrey M. Snider Jeffrey M. Snider Senior Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer, General Counsel and Secretary

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99.1 Press release of Sonus Networks, Inc. dated October 28, 2015, reporting its financial results for the quarter ended September 25, 2015.

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Sonus Networks Reports 2015 Third Quarter Results



WESTFORD, Mass., October 28, 2015 — Sonus Networks, Inc. (Nasdaq: SONS), a global leader in secure and intelligent Cloud communications, today announced results for the third quarter ended September 25, 2015.

Third Quarter 2015 Highlights

- Total Company revenue was \$67.9 million, compared to \$73.2 million in the third quarter of 2014.
- Product revenue was \$42.2 million, compared to \$44.9 million in the third quarter of 2014.
- · Service revenue was \$25.6 million, compared to \$28.3 million in the third quarter of 2014.
- GAAP gross margin was 67.4%; non-GAAP gross margin was 70%.
- GAAP operating expenses were \$47.1 million; non-GAAP operating expenses were \$41.4 million.
- · GAAP loss per share was \$0.04; non-GAAP diluted earnings per share was \$0.11.
- Cash and investments were \$126.9 million, compared to \$113.5 million at the end of the second quarter of 2015.

Ray Dolan, president and chief executive officer, commented, "We are pleased with our results for the third quarter and believe they demonstrate the continued progress we are making in our efforts to return to growth, further strengthen our customer relationships and improve Sonus' profitability. We reported three 10% customers, including AT&T, Inteliquent and CenturyLink. Our favorable product mix, combined with the impact of our cost reduction program, which we substantially completed in our second quarter, drove significant margin expansion, with non-GAAP gross margins reaching 70%."

"We are pleased with these improvements in the business as well as the strong level of bookings that we achieved in the quarter, which led to a healthy bookto-bill ratio and a good start to our fourth quarter. We are confident that Sonus' industry-leading technology and solutions are aligned with the technology strategies of our customers and provide an easy migration path to network functions virtualization and the evolving cloud architecture."

Mark Greenquist, chief financial officer of Sonus, said, "We delivered better than forecasted revenue and non-GAAP gross margins in the third quarter, driven by an increase in sales of higher margin products and the positive impact of our cost reduction efforts in the first half of 2015. Non-GAAP earnings per share and cash were better than projected. The positive cash flow reflects both our improved earnings and strong collections in the quarter, leading to a reduction of Days Sales Outstanding to 68 from 80 in the second quarter of 2015."

2015 Fourth Quarter and Full Year Outlook

The Company's outlook is based on current indications for its business, which are subject to change. Gross margin, operating expenses and earnings (loss) per share are presented on a non-GAAP basis. A reconciliation of the non-GAAP to GAAP outlook and a statement on the use of non-GAAP financial measures are included at the end of this press release.

	Q415 Guidance	FY15 Guidance
Total Company Revenue	\$73 million to \$75 million	\$246 million to \$248 million
Gross Margin(1)	69.5% to 70.5%	67.5% to 68.0%
Operating Expenses(1)	\$41 million to \$42 million	\$167 million to \$168 million
Earnings/(loss) per share(1)	\$0.18 to \$0.21	(\$0.05) to (\$0.08)
Diluted Shares	50 million	50 million

(1) Presented on a non-GAAP basis. Please see reconciliation in press release appendix.

Conference Call Details:

Date: October 28, 2015 Time: 8:30 a.m. (ET) Dial-in number: 800 736 4594 International Callers: +1 212 231 2918

The Company will offer a live, listen-only Webcast of the conference call via the Sonus Networks Investor Web site at http://investors.sonusnet.com/events.cfm where supporting materials, including a presentation and supplemental financial and operational data, have been posted.

Replay Information:

A telephone playback of the call will be available following the conference call until November 11, 2015 and can be accessed by calling 800 633 8284 or +1 402 977 9140 for international callers. The reservation number for the replay is 21778358.

Tags

Sonus Networks, Sonus, SONS, 2015 third quarter, earnings, results, IP-based network solutions, SBC, software SBC, session border controller, DSC, DEA, DRA, diameter signaling controller, diameter edge agent, diameter routing agent, NaaS, NaaS IQ, SDN, policy, SIP trunking, Cloud, VoIP communications, unified communications, UC, VoIP, IP, media gateway, GSX.

About Sonus Networks

Sonus brings intelligence and security to real-time communications. By helping the world embrace the next generation of cloud-based SIP and 4G/LTE solutions, Sonus enables and secures latency-sensitive, mission critical traffic for VoIP, video, instant messaging and online collaboration. With Sonus, enterprises can give priority to real-time communications based on smart business rules while service providers can offer reliable, comprehensive and secure on-demand network services to their customers. With solutions deployed in more than 100 countries and nearly two decades of experience, Sonus offers a complete portfolio of hardware-based and virtualized Session Border Controllers (SBCs), Diameter Signaling Controllers (DSCs), Network as a Service capabilities, policy/routing servers and media and signaling gateways. For more information, visit www.sonus.net or call 1-855-GO-SONUS.

Important Information Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

The information in this release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, which are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this release, including statements in the section "2015 Fourth Quarter and Full Year Outlook" of this release; and statements regarding our future results of operations and financial position, industry developments, business strategy, plans and objectives of management for future operations are forward-looking statements. Without limiting the foregoing, the words "anticipates", "believes", "could", "estimates", "expects", "expectations", "intends", "may", "plans", "seeks", "projects" and other similar language, whether in the negative or affirmative, are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words.

Forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations and assumptions regarding our business, the economy and other future conditions. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, they are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including, but not limited to, the timing of customer purchasing decisions and our recognition of revenues; economic conditions; adjustments identified in the course of the Company's quarter-end accounting review; our ability to recruit and retain key personnel; difficulties supporting our strategic focus on channel sales; difficulties retaining and expanding our customer base; difficulties leveraging market opportunities; the impact of cost reduction and restructuring activities; our ability to realize benefits from the Network Equipment Technologies, Inc. (NET) and Performance Technologies, Incorporated (PT) acquisitions and the Treq Labs, Inc. (Treq) asset acquisition; the effects of disruption from the PT and Treq transactions, making it more difficult to maintain relationships with employees, customers, business partners or government entities; the success implementing the integration strategies of NET, PT and Treq assets; litigation; actions taken by significant stockholders; difficulties providing solutions that meet the needs of customers; market acceptance of our products and services; rapid technological and market change; our ability to protect our intellectual property rights; our ability to maintain partner, reseller, distribution and vendor support and supply relationships; higher risks in international operations and markets; the impact of increased competition; currency fluctuations; the impact of the reverse split of our common stock and changes in the market price of our common stock; and/or failure or circumvention of our controls and procedures. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. We therefore caution you against relying on any of these forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in these forward-looking statements are discussed in Part I, Item 2 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", Part I, Item 3 "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk," and Part II, Item 1A "Risk Factors" in the Company's most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Any forward-looking statement made by us in this release speaks only as of the date of this release. Factors or events that could cause our actual results to differ may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for us to predict all of them. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by law.

Sonus is a registered trademark of Sonus Networks, Inc. All other Company and product names may be trademarks of the respective companies with which they are associated.

Discussion of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Sonus management uses a number of different financial measures, both GAAP and non-GAAP, in analyzing and assessing the overall performance of the business, making operating decisions, planning and forecasting future periods, and determining payments under compensation programs. Our annual financial plan is prepared both on a GAAP and non-GAAP basis, and the non-GAAP annual financial plan is approved by our board of directors. Continuous budgeting and forecasting for revenue and expenses are conducted on a non-GAAP basis (in addition to GAAP) and actual results on a non-GAAP basis are assessed against the annual financial plan. We consider the use of non-GAAP financial measures helpful in assessing the core performance of our continuing operations and liquidity, and when planning and forecasting future periods. By continuing operations we mean the ongoing results of the business excluding certain expenses and credits, including, but not limited to: cost of product revenue related to the fair value write-up of acquired inventory, stock-based compensation, amortization of intangible assets, depreciation expense related to an abandoned facility, divestiture costs, acquisition-related expense, restructuring and other income arising from certain transactions. We consider the use of non-GAAP earnings (loss) per share helpful in assessing the performance of the continuing operations of our business. While our management uses non-GAAP financial measures as a tool to enhance their understanding of certain aspects of our financial performance, our management does not consider these measures to be a substitute for, or superior to, GAAP measures. In addition, our presentations of these measures may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. These non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered alternatives for, or in isolation from, the financial information prepared and presented in accordance with GAAP.

Investors are cautioned that there are material limitations associated with the use of non-GAAP financial measures as an analytical tool. In particular, many of the adjustments to Sonus' financial measures reflect the exclusion of items that are recurring and will be reflected in our financial results for the foreseeable future.

As part of the assessment of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed in connection with the PT acquisition, we were required to increase the aggregate fair value of acquired inventory by \$1.8 million. The acquired inventory was recorded as cost of product revenue through June 27, 2014. We believe that excluding the incremental cost of product revenue resulting from the fair value write-up of this acquired inventory facilitates the comparison of our operating results to our historical results and to other companies in our industry.

Stock-based compensation is different from other forms of compensation, as it is a non-cash expense. For example, a cash salary generally has a fixed and unvarying cash cost. In contrast, the expense associated with an equity-based award is generally unrelated to the amount of cash ultimately received by the employee, and the cost to us is based on a stock-based compensation valuation methodology and underlying assumptions that may vary over time. We believe that excluding non-cash stock-based compensation expense from our operating results facilitates the comparison of our financial statements to compare our financial results to our historical operating results and to other companies in our industry.

We exclude the amortization of acquired intangible assets from non-GAAP expense and income measures. These amortization amounts are inconsistent in frequency and amount and are significantly impacted by the timing and size of acquisitions. Although we exclude amortization of acquired intangible assets from our non-GAAP expenses, we believe that it is important for investors to understand that intangible assets contribute to revenue generation. We believe that excluding the non-cash amortization of intangible assets facilitates the comparison of our financial results to our historical operating results and to other companies in our industry as if the acquired intangible assets had been developed internally rather than acquired.

During the second quarter of 2015, we reached an agreement with the landlord of one of our previously restructured facilities to vacate the facility without penalty or future payments. As a result, we were able

to vacate the facility earlier than originally planned. In connection with this settlement, we recorded incremental depreciation expense to account for the change in estimated life of the fixed assets related to this facility. We believe that excluding this incremental depreciation expense facilitates the comparison of our financial results to our historical operating results and to other companies in our industry.

We consider certain transition, integration and other acquisition-related costs to be unpredictable and dependent on a significant number of factors that may be outside of our control. We do not consider these acquisition-related costs to be related to the continuing operations of the acquired business or the Company. In addition, the size, complexity and/or volume of an acquisition, which often drives the magnitude of acquisition-related costs, may not be indicative of such future costs. We believe that excluding acquisition-related costs facilitates the comparison of our financial results to our historical operating results and to other companies in our industry.

We have recorded restructuring expense to streamline operations and reduce operating costs by closing and consolidating certain facilities and reducing our worldwide workforce. We review our restructuring accruals regularly and record adjustments (both expense and credits) to these estimates as required. We believe that excluding restructuring expense and credits facilitates the comparison of our financial results to our historical operating results and to other companies in our industry.

In the second quarter of 2014, we sold the Multi-Protocol Server (MPS) business that we had acquired in connection with the acquisition of PT. We incurred transaction costs related to this divestiture in the second quarter of 2014. We do not consider these divestiture costs to be related to our continuing operations. We believe that excluding divestiture costs facilitates the comparison of our financial results to our historical operating results and to other companies in our industry.

In the first quarter of 2014, we recorded other income related to the settlement of a litigation matter in which we recovered a portion of our losses related to the impairment of certain prepaid royalties for software licenses which we had written off in fiscal 2012. We believe that excluding the other income arising from this settlement facilitates the comparison of our results to our historical results and to other companies in our industry.

In October 2015, we sold the PT domain name and expect to recognize a gain, net of commission and fees, of \$0.9 million. This amount will be included in Other income (expense), net in the fourth quarter of 2015. We believe that excluding the other income arising from this sale facilitates the comparison of our financial results to our historical results and to other companies in our industry.

We believe that providing non-GAAP information to investors, in addition to the GAAP presentation, will allow investors to view the financial results in the way management views the operating results. We further believe that providing this information helps investors to better understand our financial performance and evaluate the efficacy of the methodology and information used by our management to evaluate and measure such performance.

For more information:

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SONUS NETWORKS, INC.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except percentages and per share amounts) (unaudited)

		Three months ended			
	September 25, 2015	June 26, 2015	September 26, 2014		
Revenue:					
Product	\$ 42,23	80 \$ 27,042	\$ 44,900		
Service	25,63	32 27,659	28,316		
Total revenue	67,80	52 54,701	73,216		
Cost of revenue:					
Product	13,15	58 11,269	15,074		
Service	8,99	9,018	10,240		
Total cost of revenue	22,15	20,287	25,314		
Gross profit	45,72	.2 34,414	47,902		
Gross margin:					
Product	68	.8% 58.3%	66.4%		

Service		64.9%	67.4%		63.8%
Total gross margin		67.4%	62.9%		65.4%
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Operating expenses:					
Research and development		19,335	19,968		20,693
Sales and marketing		16,507	17,540		20,350
General and administrative		11,074	10,444		10,901
Acquisition-related			24		
Restructuring		158	1,487		673
Total operating expenses		47,074	 49,463		52,617
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Loss from operations		(1,362)	(15,049)		(4,715)
Interest income (expense), net		82	(20)		(35)
Other income, net		133	5		5
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Loss before income taxes		(1,147)	(15,064)		(4,745)
Income tax provision		(749)	(279)		(468)
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Net loss	\$	(1,896)	\$ (15,343)	\$	(5,213)
Loss per share:					
Basic	\$	(0.04)	\$ (0.31)	\$	(0.11)
Diluted	\$	(0.04)	\$ (0.31)	\$	(0.11)
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Shares used to compute loss per share:					
Basic		49,625	49,484		49,291
Diluted		49,625	49,484		49,291

SONUS NETWORKS, INC.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except percentages and per share amounts) (unaudited)

	Nine mo	nths ended
	September 25, 2015	September 26, 2014
Revenue:		
Product	\$ 94,137	\$ 135,885
Service	78,571	83,643
Total revenue	172,708	219,528
Cost of revenue:		
Product	36,075	45,548
Service	27,277	32,367
Total cost of revenue	63,352	77,915
Gross profit	109,356	141,613
Gross margin:		
Product	61.79	66.5%
Service	65.3%	61.3%
Total gross margin	63.39	64.5%
Operating expenses:		
Research and development	58,642	60,586
Sales and marketing	53,812	58,713
General and administrative	30,742	34,082
Acquisition-related	131	1,306
Restructuring	1,306	2,233
Total operating expenses	144,633	156,920
Loss from operations	(35,277)	(15,307)
Interest income, net	90	50
Other income, net	183	2,330
Loss before income taxes	(35,004)	(12,927)
Income tax provision	(1,594)	(1,736)
Net loss	\$ (36,598)	\$ (14,663)
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Loss per share:	¢ (0.74)	¢ (0.20)
Basic	\$ (0.74)	
Diluted	\$ (0.74)	\$ (0.29)

Shares used to compute loss per share:		
Basic	49,512	50,561
Diluted	49,512	50,561

SONUS NETWORKS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands) (unaudited)

	Se	September 25, 2015		December 31, 2014	
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	44,773	\$	41,157	
Short-term investments		65,082		64,443	
Accounts receivable, net		51,278		62,943	
Inventory		24,187		22,114	
Deferred income taxes		1,022		991	
Other current assets		15,389		15,239	
Total current assets		201,731		206,887	
Property and equipment, net		14,793		17,845	
Intangible assets, net		28,219		22,594	
Goodwill		40,310		39,263	
Investments		17,067		42,407	
Deferred income taxes		990		1,043	
Other assets		2,082		2,596	
	\$	305,192	\$	332,635	
Liabilities and stockholders' equity					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	5,184	\$	7,497	
Accrued expenses		30,404		32,149	
Current portion of deferred revenue		41,087		36,967	
Current portion of long-term liabilities		711		794	
Total current liabilities		77,386		77,407	
Deferred revenue		7,254		8,009	
Deferred income taxes		2,162		1,623	
Other long-term liabilities		2,922		5,246	
Total liabilities		89,724		92,285	
Commitments and contingencies					
Stockholders equity:					
Common stock		50		49	
Additional paid-in capital		1,237,817		1,226,226	
Accumulated deficit		(1,027,945)		(991,347)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income		5,546		5,422	
Total stockholders' equity		215,468		240,350	
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SONUS NETWORKS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands) (unaudited)

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			Se	ptember 26, 2014
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net loss	\$	(36,598)	\$	(14,663)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to cash flows provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization of property and equipment		9,646		8,708
Amortization of intangible assets		4,975		3,402
Stock-based compensation		16,902		19,213
Loss on disposal of property and equipment		112		252
Deferred income taxes		514		677
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				

Accounts receivable	11,623	9,225
Inventory	(2,076)	5,865
Other operating assets	1,282	2,120
Accounts payable	(2,329)	(4,314)
Accrued expenses and other long-term liabilities	(5,733)	(16)
Deferred revenue	3,379	(2,387)
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,697	28,082
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(6,417)	(7,886)
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(10,897)	(35,022)
Divestiture of business	—	2,000
Purchases of marketable securities	(25,577)	(84,226)
Sale/maturities of marketable securities	49,328	155,036
Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets	—	266
Net cash provided by investing activities	6,437	30,168
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from sale of common stock in connection with employee stock purchase plan	2,378	2,882
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	1,757	9,314
Payment of tax withholding obligations related to net share settlements of restricted stock awards	(2,314)	(1,711)
Repurchase of common stock	(6,083)	(89,919)
Principal payments of capital lease obligations	(62)	(64)
Net cash used in financing activities	(4,324)	(79,498)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(194)	(257)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	3,616	(21,505)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	41,157	72,423
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 44,773	\$ 50,918

SONUS NETWORKS, INC. Supplemental Information (In thousands) (unaudited)

The following tables provide the details of the fair value write-up of acquired inventory, stock-based compensation, amortization of intangible assets, depreciation expense for an abandoned facility and divestiture costs included in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and the line items in which these amounts are reported.

		Three months ended				
	Sep	tember 25, 2015		une 26, 2015	Sept	ember 26, 2014
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory						
Cost of revenue - product	\$		\$		\$	364
Stock-based compensation						
Cost of revenue - product	\$	81	\$	83	\$	104
Cost of revenue - service	-	378	Ŧ	397	*	381
Cost of revenue		459		480		485
Research and development expense		1,349		1,445		1,521
Sales and marketing expense		1,282		1,852		1,747
General and administrative expense		2,183		3,032		2,748
Operating expense		4,814		6,329		6,016
Total stock-based compensation	\$	5,273	\$	6,809	\$	6,501
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Amortization of intangible assets						
Cost of revenue - product	\$	1,323	\$	1,176	\$	701
Sales and marketing		414		415		494
Operating expense		414		415		494
Total amortization of intangible assets	\$	1,737	\$	1,591	\$	1,195
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility						
Research and development	\$	322	\$	324	\$	
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Divestiture costs						
General and administrative	\$		\$		\$	30

SONUS NETWORKS, INC. Supplemental Information (In thousands) (unaudited)

The following tables provide the details of the fair value write-up of acquired inventory, stock-based compensation, amortization of intangible assets, depreciation expense for an abandoned facility, divestiture costs and litigation settlement - prepaid assets included in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and the line items in which these amounts are reported.

		Nine months ended		
	September 25, 2015		September 26, 2014	
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory				
Cost of revenue - product	\$	\$	1,782	
Stock-based compensation				
Cost of revenue - product	\$ 2	38 \$	287	
Cost of revenue - service	1,1	55	1,072	
Cost of revenue		93	1,359	
Research and development expense	4,1	52	4,583	
Sales and marketing expense	4,1	50	4,299	
General and administrative expense	7,2	07	8,972	
Operating expense	15,5	09	17,854	
Total stock-based compensation	<u>\$ 16,5</u>	02 \$	19,213	
Amortization of intangible assets				
Cost of revenue - product	\$ 3,6	67 \$	2,005	
Sales and marketing	1,3	08	1,397	
Operating expense	1,3	08	1,397	
Total amortization of intangible assets	\$ 4,9	75 \$	3,402	
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility				
Research and development	\$	46 \$		
Divestiture costs				
General and administrative	\$	\$	435	
Litigation settlement - prepaid licenses				
Other income, net	\$	\$	2,250	

SONUS NETWORKS, INC. Reconciliation of Non-GAAP and GAAP Financial Measures - Historical (in thousands, except percentages and per share amounts) (unaudited)

	1	Three months ended			
	September 25, 2015	June 26, 2015	September 26, 2014		
GAAP gross margin - product	68.8%	58.3%	66.4%		
Stock-based compensation expense	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%		
Amortization of intangible assets	3.2%	4.4%	1.6%		
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%		
Non-GAAP gross margin - product	72.2%	63.0%	69.0%		
GAAP gross margin - service	64.9%	67.4%	63.8%		
Stock-based compensation expense	1.5%	1.4%	1.4%		
Non-GAAP gross margin - service	66.4%	68.8%	65.2%		
GAAP total gross margin	67.4%	62.9%	65.4%		
Stock-based compensation expense	0.7%	0.9%	0.7%		
Amortization of intangible assets	1.9%	2.1%	0.9%		
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%		
Non-GAAP total gross margin	70.0%	65.9%	67.5%		

GAAP total gross profit	\$	45,712	\$	34,414	\$	47,902
Stock-based compensation expense	Ψ	459	Ψ	480	Ψ	485
Amortization of intangible assets		1,323		1,176		701
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory						364
Non-GAAP total gross profit	\$	47,494	\$	36,070	\$	49,452
CAAP receased and development expense	\$	19,335	\$	19,968	\$	20,693
GAAP research and development expense Stock-based compensation expense	φ	(1,349)	φ	(1,445)	Ф	(1,521)
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility		(322)		(324)		(1,521)
Non-GAAP research and development expense	\$	17,664	\$	18,199	\$	19,172
	Ψ	17,004	Ψ	10,133	Ψ	13,172
GAAP sales and marketing expense	\$	16,507	\$	17,540	\$	20,350
Stock-based compensation expense		(1,282)		(1,852)		(1,747)
Amortization of intangible assets		(414)		(415)		(494)
Non-GAAP sales and marketing expense	\$	14,811	\$	15,273	\$	18,109
GAAP general and administrative expense	\$	11,074	\$	10,444	\$	10,901
Stock-based compensation expense	Ψ	(2,183)	Ψ	(3,032)	Ψ	(2,748)
Divestiture costs						(30)
Non-GAAP general and administrative expense	\$	8,891	\$	7,412	\$	8,123
GAAP operating expenses	\$	47,074	\$	49,463	\$	52,617
Stock-based compensation expense		(4,814)		(6,329)		(6,016)
Amortization of intangible assets		(414)		(415)		(494)
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility		(322)		(324)		
Divestiture costs Acquisition-related expense		—		(24)		(30)
Restructuring		(158)		(1,487)		(673)
Non-GAAP operating expenses	\$	41,366	\$	40,884	\$	45,404
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GAAP loss from operations	\$	(1,362)	\$	(15,049)	\$	(4,715)
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory		—		—		364
Stock-based compensation expense		5,273		6,809		6,501
Amortization of intangible assets		1,737		1,591		1,195
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility		322		324		—
Divestiture costs Acquisition-related expense		_		24		30
Restructuring		158		1,487		673
Non-GAAP income (loss) from operations	\$	6,128	\$	(4,814)	\$	4,048
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GAAP loss from operations as a percentage of revenue		-2.0%		-27.5%		-6.4%
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory		0.0%		0.0%		0.5%
Stock-based compensation expense		7.7%		12.5%		8.9%
Amortization of intangible assets		2.6%		2.9%		1.6%
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility Divestiture costs		0.5%		0.6%		0.0%
Acquisition-related expense		0.0% 0.0%		0.0% 0.0%		0.0% 0.0%
Restructuring		0.0%		2.7%		0.9%
Non-GAAP income (loss) from operations as a percentage of revenue		9.0%		-8.8%		5.5%
GAAP net loss	\$	(1,896)	\$	(15,343)	\$	(5,213)
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory				_		364
Stock-based compensation expense		5,273		6,809		6,501
Amortization of intangible assets		1,737		1,591		1,195
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility		322		324		
Divestiture costs Acquisition-related expense				24		30
Restructuring		158		1,487		673
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$	5,594	\$	(5,108)	\$	3,550
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Diluted earnings per share or (loss) per share						
GAAP	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.31)	\$	(0.11)
Non-GAAP	\$	0.11	\$	(0.10)	\$	0.07
Shares used to compute diluted earnings per share or (loss) per share						
GAAP shares used to compute loss per share		49,625		49,484		49,291
Non-GAAP shares used to compute diluted earnings per share or (loss) per share		49,696		49,484		50,260
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CAAD successing and deat		C1 70/		66.5%		
GAAP gross margin - product Stock-based compensation expense		61.7% 0.3%		0.2%		
Amortization of intangible assets		3.8%		1.5%		
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory		0.0%		1.3%		
Non-GAAP gross margin - product		65.8%		69.5%		
GAAP gross margin - service		65.3%		61.3%		
Stock-based compensation expense		1.5%		1.3%		
Non-GAAP gross margin - service		66.8%		62.6%		
GAAP total gross margin		63.3%		64.5%		
Stock-based compensation expense		0.8%		0.6%		
Amortization of intangible assets Fair value write-up of acquired inventory		2.1% 0.0%		0.9% 0.9%		
Non-GAAP total gross margin		66.2%		<u> </u>		
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GAAP total gross profit	\$	109,356	\$	141,613		
Stock-based compensation expense Amortization of intangible assets		1,393 3,667		1,359 2,005		
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory		5,007		1,782		
Non-GAAP total gross profit	\$	114,416	\$	146,759		
GAAP research and development expense	\$	58,642	\$	60,586		
Stock-based compensation expense		(4,152)		(4,583)		
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility Non-GAAP research and development expense	\$	(646) 53,844	\$	56,003		
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GAAP sales and marketing expense	\$	53,812	\$	58,713		
Stock-based compensation expense		(4,150)		(4,299)		
Amortization of intangible assets		(1,308)		(1,397)		
Non-GAAP sales and marketing expense	\$	48,354	\$	53,017		
GAAP general and administrative expense	\$	30,742	\$	34,082		
Stock-based compensation expense		(7,207)		(8,972)		
Divestiture costs				(435)		
Non-GAAP general and administrative expense	\$	23,535	\$	24,675		
GAAP operating expenses	\$	144,633	\$	156,920		
Stock-based compensation expense		(15,509)		(17,854)		
Amortization of intangible assets		(1,308)		(1,397)		
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility Divestiture costs		(646)		(435)		
Acquisition-related expense		(131)		(433)		
Restructuring		(1,306)		(2,233)		
Non-GAAP operating expenses	\$	125,733	\$	133,695		
GAAP loss from operations	\$	(35,277)	\$	(15,307)		
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory				1,782		
Stock-based compensation expense		16,902		19,213		
Amortization of intangible assets		4,975		3,402		
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility Divestiture costs		646		435		
Acquisition-related expense		131		1,306		
Restructuring		1,306		2,233		
Non-GAAP income (loss) from operations	\$	(11,317)	\$	13,064		
GAAP loss from operations as a percentage of revenue		-20.4%		-7.0%		
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory		0.0%		0.8%		
Stock-based compensation expense		9.7%		8.9%		
Amortization of intangible assets		2.8%		1.5%		
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility		0.4%		0.0%		
Divestiture costs Acquisition-related expense		0.0% 0.1%		0.2%		
Restructuring		0.1%		1.0%		
Non-GAAP income (loss) from operations as a percentage of revenue		-6.6%		6.0%		
GAAP Other income, net	\$	183	\$	2,330		
Litigation settlement - prepaid licenses	Φ		Ψ	(2,250)		
Non-GAAP Other income, net						

	\$	183	\$	80
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GAAP net loss	\$	(36,598)	\$	(14,663)
Fair value write-up of acquired inventory		_		1,782
Stock-based compensation expense		16,902		19,213
Amortization of intangible assets		4,975		3,402
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility		646		
Divestiture costs				435
Acquisition-related expense		131		1,306
Restructuring		1,306		2,233
Litigation settlement - prepaid licenses				(2,250)
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$	(12,638)	\$	11,458
Diluted earnings per share or (loss) per share				
GAAP	\$	(0.74)	\$	(0.29)
Non-GAAP	\$	(0.26)	\$	0.22
Shares used to compute diluted earnings per share or (loss) per share				
GAAP shares used to compute loss per share		49,512		50,561
Non-GAAP shares used to compute diluted earnings per share or (loss) per share		49,512		51,272

SONUS NETWORKS, INC. Reconciliation of Non-GAAP and GAAP Financial Measures - Outlook (in millions, except percentages and per share amounts) (unaudited)

\$	Ran 73	s	75	
<u>\$</u>	73	\$	75	
	66.7%		67.7%	
	0.5%		0.5%	
	2.3%		2.3%	
	69.5%		70.5%	
\$	46.2	\$	47.2	
	(4.8)		(4.8)	
	(0.4)		(0.4)	
\$	41.0	\$	42.0	
\$	0.05	\$	0.08	
		+	0.11	
			0.04	
			(0.02)	
\$	0.18	\$	0.21	
Verr ending December 31 2015				
Range				
\$	246	\$	248	
	64.6%		65.1%	
	0.7%		0.7%	
	2.2%		2.2%	
	67.5%		68.0%	
\$	191.0	\$	192.0	
-			(20.3)	
			(1.7)	
	(0.6)		(0.6)	
	(0.1)		(0.1)	
	(1.3)		(1.3)	
\$	167.0	\$	168.0	
	\$ 		$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	

GAAP outlook	\$ (0.69)	\$ (0.66)
Stock-based compensation expense	0.45	0.45
Amortization of intangible assets	0.14	0.14
Depreciation expense for abandoned facility	0.01	0.01
Acquisition-related expense	*	*
Restructuring expense	0.03	0.03
Gain on sale of domain name	(0.02)	(0.02)
Non-GAAP outlook	\$ (0.08)	\$ (0.05)

* Less than \$0.01 impact on loss per share

Sonus Networks, Inc. Supplementary Financial and Operational Data

\$(000s)	YTD15 at Q315	Q315	Q215	Q115	FY14	Q414	YTD14 at Q314	Q314	Q214	Q114
Revenue						<u> </u>				1
Product	94,137	42,230	27,042	24,865	182,455	46,570	135,885	44,900	45,845	45,140
Services	78,571		27,659	25,280	113,871	30,228	83,643	28,316	29,725	25,602
Total Revenue	172,708		54,701	50,145	296,326	76,798	219,528	73,216	75,570	70,742
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Growth-related Revenue										
Product	64,049	30,924	16,218	16,907	124,281	31,461	92,820	31,367	28,630	32,823
Growth-related as % Total Product	,	,	,	,	,	,	,		<i>,</i>	·
Revenue	68	3% 73%	60%	68%	68%	68%	68%	70%	62%	73%
Services	35,855	5 11,373	12,372	12,110	39,263	11,012	28,251	9,915	10,239	8,097
Growth-related Revenue	99,904	42,297	28,590	29,017	163,544	42,473	121,071	41,282	38,869	40,920
Growth-related as % Total Revenue		62%		58%	55%	55%	55%	56%	51%	58%
1/ fm · 1 P	YTD15	0.045	0.045	0.44		0.444	YTD14	0044	0.111	0444
% of Total Revenue Revenue	at Q315	Q315	Q215	Q115	FY14	Q414	at Q314	Q314	Q214	Q114
Product	50	62%	49%	50%	62%	61%	62%	61%	61%	64%
Services		5% <u>02</u> % 5% 38%		50%	38%	39%	38%	39%	39%	36%
361 11663	4.	70 <u>50</u> 70	5170	5070	5070	5570	5070	5570	5570	5070
Growth-related Revenue										
Product	6/	l% 73%	57%	58%	76%	74%	77%	76%	74%	80%
Services		5% 75%		42%	24%	26%	23%	24%	26%	20%
361 11663	50	1/0 2//0	40/0	42/0	2470	2070	2370	2470	2070	2070
Revenue by Geography										
Domestic	71	% 77%	71%	62%	71%	70%	71%	70%	71%	73%
International		0% 23%		38%	29%	30%	29%	30%	29%	27%
International			_0/0	0070	_0,0	5070	_0,0	5070	2070	2770
	YTD15						YTD14			
% of Product Revenue	at Q315	Q315	Q215	Q115	FY14	Q414	at Q314	Q314	Q214	Q114
				Q115		· · ·	at Q514	Q014	Q214	82%
Revenue by Channel										87%
Direct		i% 78%	74%	76%	73%	75%	72%	62%	71%	
-			74%							18%
Direct	24	i% 78%	74%	76%	73%	75% 25%	72% 28%	62%	71%	
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*Customer Count reflects end customers and excludes customers with maintenance-only revenue of less than \$5k on a quarterly basis.