Daryl E. Raiford Chief Financial Officer Ribbon Communications Inc. 4 Technology Drive Westford, MA 01886

Re: Ribbon Communications Inc.

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018

Filed March 4, 2019

Form 8-K furnished February 20, 2019

File No. 001-38267

Dear Mr. Raiford:

We have reviewed your filings and have the following comments. In some of our

comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to these comments within ten business days by providing the requested $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$

information or advise us as soon as possible when you will respond. If you do not believe our

comments apply to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing your response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

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General

1. We note your adjustment for "acquisition-related revenue" included in your various non-

GAAP measures. Considering your deferred revenue was adjusted to fair value at the

time of acquisition pursuant to GAAP, please tell us how you considered whether your $\,$

various non-GAAP measures that include this adjustment are substituting an individually

tailored recognition and measurement method for a GAAP measure. Refer to $\operatorname{\mathsf{Ouestion}}$

100.04 of the Non-GAAP Compliance and Disclosure Interpretations and Rule 100(b) of

Regulation G.

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2. Similarly, please clarify for us what the purchase accounting adjustment to cost of revenue

consists of and how you considered whether your various non-GAAP measures that

include this adjustment are substituting an individually tailored recognition and

measurement method for a GAAP measure. Refer to Question 100.04 of the $\operatorname{Non-GAAP}$

Compliance and Disclosure Interpretations and Rule 100(b) of Regulation G. $\label{eq:complex}$

3. You state that GAAP required the elimination of revenue under the new revenue

recognition standard in 2018, which you are adding back to arrive at various non-GAAP

measures. Please clarify for us what revenue was eliminated with the adoption of $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ASC}}$

 $\,$ 606 and how your non-GAAP adjustment for such amounts captures the economics of

your activities. Also, please confirm for us that similar adjustments will not be made to

fiscal 2019 non-GAAP measures.

4. We note your non-GAAP net income reconciliation includes income tax adjustments

related to benefits arising from purchase accounting and the Tax

Reform. Please explain

to us, and revise your future filings to disclose, how you calculated the tax effects of your $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1$

 $\,$ non-GAAP net income adjustments. In this regard, your tax adjustment should also

include current and deferred income tax expense commensurate with your ${\tt non\textsc{-}GAAP}$

measure of profitability. Refer to Question 102.11 of the Non-GAAP Compliance and $\,$

Disclosure Interpretations.

We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

You may contact Rebekah Lindsey, Staff Accountant at (202) 551-3303 or Kathleen Collins, Accounting Branch Chief at (202) 551-3499 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Division of
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