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WebMD Announces Third Quarter Financial Results

WebMD Reaffirms 2015 Outlook

NEW YORK, Nov. 3, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- WebMD Health Corp. (NASDAQ: WBMD), the leading source of health information, today announced financial results for the three months ended September 30, 2015.

"We are pleased to report third quarter results that are above the high end of our financial guidance," said David Schlanger, Chief Executive Officer, WebMD. "With a significant backlog and positive sales momentum, we are reaffirming our 2015 outlook today. We expect to deliver in the fourth quarter the largest quarter in the Company's history. The environment remains strong and we are well positioned to continue to grow revenue and further strengthen our market leadership."

Financial Highlights

For the three months ended September 30, 2015:

- Revenue was \$152.6 million, compared to \$143.5 million in the prior year period, an increase of 6%. Advertising and sponsorship revenue was \$118.7 million compared to \$112.5 million in the prior year period. Private portal services revenue was \$27.5 million compared to \$25.8 million in the prior year period. Information services revenue was \$6.4 million compared to \$5.2 million in the prior year period.
- Earnings before interest, taxes, non-cash and other items ("Adjusted EBITDA") was \$46.4 million, compared to \$39.3 million in the prior year period, an increase of 18%.
- Net income was \$13.2 million or \$0.32 per diluted share, compared to \$9.8 million, or \$0.23 per diluted share in the prior year period. Net income would have been \$14.4 million, or \$0.34 per diluted share, excluding an after-tax loss on convertible notes of \$(1.2) million.

Traffic Highlights

Traffic to the WebMD Health Network during the third quarter reached an average of 206 million unique users per month generating 4.00 billion page views for the quarter, increases of 8% and 11%, respectively, from the prior year period.

Balance Sheet Highlights

As of September 30, 2015, WebMD had: approximately \$612 million in cash and cash equivalents; \$803 million in aggregate principal amount of convertible notes outstanding; and approximately 37.5 million shares of its common stock outstanding (including approximately 1.0 million unvested shares of restricted stock).

During the third quarter, WebMD used \$23.1 million in cash to repurchase approximately 558 thousand shares of its common stock under its stock repurchase program. As of September 30, 2015, approximately \$34 million remained available for repurchases under WebMD's stock repurchase program. Under the repurchase program, WebMD may repurchase shares from time to time in the open market, through block trades or in private transactions, depending on market conditions and other factors. In addition, WebMD used \$151.0 million in cash during the quarter to repurchase \$149.6 million principal amount of its 2.25% Convertible Notes due 2016.

Financial Guidance

Today, WebMD reaffirmed its 2015 revenue guidance and slightly increased its earnings guidance to reflect lower than anticipated expenses and the effect of convertible note and stock repurchases made since July 30, 2015.

For the full year ending December 31, 2015, WebMD expects:

- Revenue to be approximately \$625 million to \$635 million, an increase of 8% to 9% from the prior year.
 - Approximately \$492 million to \$500 million of revenue is expected to be from advertising and sponsorship, an increase of 8% to 10% from the prior year. Growth in advertising and sponsorship is expected to be driven primarily by growth in revenue from biopharma and medical device customers of approximately 11% to 12% in 2015.
 - Approximately \$107 million to \$108.5 million of revenue is expected to be from private portal services, an increase of 4% to 5% from the prior year.
 - Approximately \$26 million to \$26.5 million of revenue is expected to be from information services, an increase of

12% to 14% from the prior year.

- Adjusted EBITDA to be approximately \$185 million to \$192 million, an increase of approximately 17% to 21% from the prior year.
- Income from continuing operations and net income to be approximately \$59 million to \$64 million, an increase in income from continuing operations of approximately 44% to 56% from the prior year and an increase in net income of approximately 40% to 52% from the prior year.

For the fourth quarter of 2015, WebMD expects:

- Revenue to be approximately \$181 million to \$191 million, an increase of approximately 11% to 17% from the prior year period.
- Adjusted EBITDA to be approximately \$59 million to \$66 million, an increase of approximately 23% to 37% from the prior year period.
- Income from continuing operations and net income to be approximately \$22 million to \$28 million, an increase in income from continuing operations of approximately 45% to 85% from the prior year period and an increase in net income of approximately 35% to 72% from the prior year period.

A schedule summarizing the Company's financial guidance is attached to this press release.

Analyst and Investor Conference Call

WebMD will hold a conference call with investors and analysts at 4:45 p.m. (Eastern) today. The call can be accessed at www.wbmd.com (in the Investor Relations section). A replay of the audio webcast will be available at the same web address.

About WebMD

WebMD Health Corp. (NASDAQ: WBMD) is the leading provider of health information services, serving consumers, physicians, healthcare professionals, employers, and health plans through our public and private online portals, mobile platforms and health-focused publications.

The WebMD Health Network includes <u>WebMD.com</u>, <u>Medscape.com</u>, <u>MedicineNet.com</u>, <u>eMedicineHealth.com</u>, <u>RxList.com</u>, Medscape Education (<u>Medscape.org</u>) and other WebMD owned sites and apps.

All statements contained in this press release and the related analyst and investor conference call, other than statements of historical fact, are forward-looking statements, including those regarding: guidance on our future financial results and other projections or measures of our future performance; market opportunities or momentum and our ability to capitalize on them; and the benefits expected from new or expected contracts with customers, from new or updated products or services and from other potential sources of additional revenue. These statements speak only as of the date of this press release, are based on our current plans and expectations, and involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual future events or results to be different than those described in or implied by such forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include those relating to: market acceptance of our products and services; our relationships with customers and other factors affecting their use of our services and the timing of entry into and implementation of specific contracts with customers, including regulatory matters affecting their products and services; our ability to deploy new or updated services and to create new or enhanced revenue streams from those services; our ability to attract and retain qualified personnel; and changes in economic, political or regulatory conditions or other trends affecting the healthcare, Internet and information technology industries. Further information about these matters can be found in our Securities and Exchange Commission filings and this press release is intended to be read in conjunction with information contained in those filings. Except as required by applicable law or regulation, we do not undertake any obligation to update our forward-looking statements to reflect future events or circumstances.

This press release, and the accompanying tables, include both financial measures in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, or GAAP, as well as certain non-GAAP financial measures. The tables attached to this press release include reconciliations of these non-GAAP financial measures to GAAP financial measures. In addition, an "Explanation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" is attached to this press release as Annex A.

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WEBMD HEALTH CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (In thousands, except per share data, unaudited)

	_	Three Mor Septen 2015		_	Nine Mont Septem 2015		
Revenue	\$	152,607	\$ 143,490	\$	444,270	\$	417,722
Cost of operations		59,552	56,398		177,836		163,418
Sales and marketing		32,850	32,950		97,896		99,182
General and administrative		22,942	23,243		67,397		69,363
Depreciation and amortization		7,266	7,667		23,103		22,037
Interest income		10	19		36		51
Interest expense		5,681	6,171		18,024		18,515
Loss on convertible notes		2,058	-		2,058		-
Gain on investments		-	-		139		-
Other expense		-	-		4,100		-
Income before income tax provision Income tax provision		22,268 9,080	17,080 7,275		54,031 17,468		45,258 19,471
Net income	\$	13,188	\$ 9,805	-\$	36,563	-\$	25,787
Net income per common share: Basic Diluted	\$	0.36	\$ 0.26	\$	1.00	\$	0.67 0.61
Weighted-average shares outstanding used in computing income per common share:		00.704	07.000		00.000		00.040
Basic		36,721	 37,960	_	36,606	_	38,349
Diluted		49,958	 45,757		49,912		46,364

WEBMD HEALTH CORP. CONSOLIDATED SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION (In thousands, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,						ths Ended nber 30,		
		2015	2014		2015			2014	
Revenue									
Advertising and sponsorship									
Biopharma and medical device	\$	89,870	\$	85,118	\$	251,692	\$	235,587	
OTC, CPG and other		28,850		27,370		89,047		91,342	
		118,720		112,488		340,739	-	326,929	
Private portal services		27,460		25,795		83,223		74,612	
Information services		6,427		5,207		20,308		16,181	
	\$	152,607	\$	143,490	\$	444,270	\$	417,722	
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Earnings before interest, taxes, non-cash and other items ("Adjusted EBITDA")									
(a)	\$	46,405	\$	39,301	\$	125,872	\$	110,484	
Interest, taxes, non-cash and other items (b)									
Interest income		10		19		36		51	
Interest expense		(5,681)		(6,171)		(18,024)		(18,515)	
Income tax provision		(9,080)		(7,275)		(17,468)		(19,471)	
Depreciation and amortization		(7,266)		(7,667)		(23,103)		(22,037)	
Non-cash stock-based compensation		(9,142)		(8,402)		(24,731)		(24,725)	
Loss on convertible notes		(2,058)		-		(2,058)		-	
Gain on investments		-		_		139		_	

Other expense - - (4,100) -

Net income \$ 13,188 \$ 9,805 \$ 36,563 \$ 25,787

- (a) See Annex A-Explanation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures.
- (b) Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to net income.

WEBMD HEALTH CORP. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands)

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Total current assets 791,165 879	
	573
Property and equipment, net 64,930 55	,575
Goodwill 202,980 202	2,980
Intangible assets, net 11,716 14	,215
Deferred tax assets 2,546 18	3,947
	,236
Total Assets \$ 1,094,922 \$ 1,195	,557
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	
Accrued expenses \$ 68,317 \$ 72	2,658
Deferred revenue 105,065 89	,785
2.25% convertible notes due 2016 102,682	-
Total current liabilities 276,064 162	2,443
2.25% convertible notes due 2016 - 252	2,232
2.50% convertible notes due 2018 400,000 400	,000
1.50% convertible notes due 2020 300,000 300	,000
Other long-term liabilities 21,965 2	,293
Stockholders' equity 96,893 6	,589
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity \$ 1,094,922 \$ 1,193	

WEBMD HEALTH CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In thousands, unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	2015		2014		
Cash flows from operating activities:	 				
Net income	\$ 36,563	\$	25,787		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization	23,103		22,037		
Non-cash interest, net	3,276		3,384		
Non-cash stock-based compensation	24,731		24,725		

Deferred income taxes	(7,246)	6,791
Loss on convertible notes	2,058	-
Gain on investments	(139)	-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(10,201)	10,784
Prepaid expenses and other, net	(5,692)	(2,429)
Accrued expenses and other long-term liabilities	(4,555)	(9,319)
Deferred revenue	15,280	(901)
Net cash provided by operating activities	77,178	80,859
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Cash paid in business combination	-	(3,182)
Proceeds from sale of investments	139	-
Purchases of property and equipment	(25,638)	(17,964)
Net cash used in investing activities	(25,499)	(21,146)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	15,185	35,857
Cash used for withholding taxes due on stock-based awards	(3,836)	(31,294)
Repurchase of convertible notes	(151,038)	-
Repurchase of shares through tender offers	-	(97,560)
Purchases of treasury stock	(28,406)	(103,602)
Excess tax benefit on stock-based awards	21,972	11,853
Net cash used in financing activities	(146,123)	(184,746)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(94,444)	(125,033)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	706,776	824,880
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 612,332	\$ 699,847

WEBMD HEALTH CORP. NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE (In thousands, except per share data, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2015 2014),	 Nine Mon Septem 2015	ber 30	
Numerator:							
Net income — Basic	\$	13,188	\$	9,805	\$ 36,563	\$	25,787
Interest expense on 1.50% convertible notes, net of tax		864		864	2,592		2,592
Interest expense on 2.50% convertible notes, net of tax		1,797		<u> </u>	5,392		
Net income — Diluted	\$	15,849	\$	10,669	\$ 44,547	\$	28,379
Denominator: Weighted-average shares — Basic Stock options and restricted stock 1.50% convertible notes 2.50% convertible notes Adjusted weighted-average shares after assumed conversions — Diluted		36,721 1,338 5,694 6,205 49,958		37,960 2,113 5,684 - 45,757	 36,606 1,407 5,694 6,205 49,912		38,349 2,333 5,682 - 46,364
Net income per common share:							
Basic	\$	0.36	\$	0.26	\$ 1.00	\$	0.67
Diluted	\$	0.32	\$	0.23	\$ 0.89	\$	0.61

FINANCIAL GUIDANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015 (in millions, except per share amounts)

	Guidance Range								
Revenue									
Advertising and sponsorship									
Biopharma and medical device	\$	364.0	\$	370.0					
OTC, CPG and other		128.0		130.0					
		492.0		500.0					
Private portal services		107.0		108.5					
Information services		26.0		26.5					
	\$	625.0	\$	635.0					
Earnings before interest, taxes, non-cash and other items ("Adjusted EBITDA") (a)	\$	185.0	\$	192.0					
Interest, taxes, non-cash and other items (b)									
Interest expense, net		(23.1)		(23.1)					
Depreciation and amortization		(31.0)		(30.0)					
Non-cash stock-based compensation		(34.0)		(33.0)					
Loss on convertible notes		(2.1)		(2.1)					
Gain on investments		0.1		0.1					
Other expense		(4.1)		(4.1)					
Income before income tax provision		90.8		99.8					
Income tax provision		(32.0)		(35.5)					
Income from continuing operations and net income	\$	58.8	\$	64.3					
Income per share:									
Basic	\$	1.61	\$	1.74					
Diluted (c)	\$	1.39	\$	1.46					
Calculation of income per share:									
Net income (numerator for basic income per share)	\$	58.8	\$	64.3					
Add-back of interest expense, net of tax, related to:	•		•						
1.50% convertible notes		3.5		3.5					
2.50% convertible notes		7.2		7.2					
2.25% convertible notes		3.5		3.5					
Numerator for diluted income per share	\$	73.0	\$	78.5					
Weighted average shares outstanding (denominator for basic income per share)		36.5		37.0					
Stock options and restricted stock		1.5		2.0					
Weighted average shares issuable upon conversion of:		1.0		2.0					
1.50% convertible notes		5.7		5.7					
2.50% convertible notes		5. <i>1</i> 6.2		5.7 6.2					
2.25% convertible notes 2.25% convertible notes									
		<u>2.7</u> 52.6		2.7 53.6					
Denominator for diluted income per share		52.0		55.0					

- (a) See Annex A Explanation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures
- (b) Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to net income
- (c) See Supplemental 2015 Guidance for Income Per Share Calculation below

Additional information regarding forecast for the quarter ending December 31, 2015:

- Revenue is forecasted to be between \$181 million to \$191 million
- Revenue distribution is forecasted to be approximately 62% to Biopharma and medical device;
 22% to OTC, CPG and other; 13% to private portal services and 3% to information services
- Adjusted EBITDA is forecasted to be between \$59 million to \$66 million
- Net income is forecasted to be between \$22 million to \$28 million

The above guidance does not include the impact if any, of future deployment of capital for items such as share repurchases, convertible note repurchases or acquisitions, any future gains or losses from discontinued operations, any future gains or losses on investments, and other future non-recurring, one-time or

WEBMD HEALTH CORP. SUPPLEMENTAL 2015 GUIDANCE FOR INCOME PER SHARE CALCULATION

Based on the Company's Financial Guidance for the Year Ending December 31, 2015, the 1.50% convertible notes, the 2.50% convertible notes and the 2.25% convertible notes are expected to be dilutive to net income on both the low end and high end of the full year guidance range. Additionally, each of the series of convertible notes may be dilutive in certain quarters, depending on the amount of net income for such quarter. The following table contains the approximate level of net income for an individual quarter and for the full year 2015 at which each of the series of convertible notes would become dilutive to income per share. To the extent this net income is exceeded for any such period, the table also includes the amounts by which the numerator and denominator should each be adjusted for purposes of the diluted income per share calculation. The amounts below assume a weighted-average diluted share count of 38.0 million shares (prior to the effect of convertible notes) and the amounts are subject to change as such weighted-average share count changes.

	Quarterly Amounts					Annual Amounts						
All amounts in millions	1.50 Conve Not		Conv	60% ertible otes	Conv	25% ertible otes	Conv	60% ertible otes	Conv	50% ertible otes	Conv	25% ertible otes
Approximate net income at which convertible notes become dilutive:	\$	5.8	\$	11.8	\$	13.0	\$	23.1	\$	47.2	\$	52.3
Interest expense, net of tax to add-back to net income (numerator):	\$	0.9	\$	1.8	\$	0.4	\$	3.5	\$	7.2	\$	3.5
Additional shares to include in weighted- average diluted share count (denominator):		5.7		6.2		1.4		5.7		6.2		2.7

ANNEX A

Explanation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The accompanying WebMD Health Corp. press release and attachments include both financial measures in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, as well as non-GAAP financial measures. The non-GAAP financial measures represent earnings before interest, taxes, non-cash and other items (which we refer to as "Adjusted EBITDA") and related per share amounts. Adjusted EBITDA should be viewed as supplemental to, and not as an alternative for net income or loss calculated in accordance with GAAP (referred to below as "net income") or income or loss from continuing operations calculated in accordance with GAAP (referred to below as "income from continuing operations"). The attachments to the press release include reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures to GAAP financial measures.

Adjusted EBITDA is used by our management as an additional measure of our company's performance for purposes of business decision-making, including developing budgets, managing expenditures, and evaluating potential acquisitions or divestitures. Period-to-period comparisons of Adjusted EBITDA help our management identify additional trends in our company's financial results that may not be shown solely by period-to-period comparisons of net income or income from continuing operations. In addition, we may use Adjusted EBITDA in the incentive compensation programs applicable to some of our employees in order to evaluate our company's performance. Our management recognizes that Adjusted EBITDA has inherent limitations because of the excluded items, particularly those items that are recurring in nature. In order to compensate for those limitations, management also reviews the specific items that are excluded from Adjusted EBITDA, but included in net income or income from continuing operations, as well as trends in those items. The amounts of those items are set forth, for the applicable periods, in the reconciliations of Adjusted EBITDA to net income or income from continuing operations that accompany our press releases and disclosure documents containing non-GAAP financial measures, including the reconciliations contained in the accompanying press release attachments.

We believe that the presentation of Adjusted EBITDA is useful to investors in their analysis of our results for reasons similar to the reasons why our management finds it useful and because it helps facilitate investor understanding of decisions made by management in light of the performance metrics used in making those decisions. In addition, as more fully described below, we believe that providing Adjusted EBITDA, together with a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to net income or income from continuing operations, helps investors make comparisons between our company and other companies that may have different capital structures, different effective income tax rates and tax attributes, different capitalized asset values and/or different forms of employee compensation. However, Adjusted EBITDA is intended to provide a supplemental way of comparing our company

with other public companies and is not intended as a substitute for comparisons based on net income or income from continuing operations. In making any comparisons to other companies, investors need to be aware that companies use different non-GAAP measures to evaluate their financial performance. Investors should pay close attention to the specific definition being used and to the reconciliation between such measures and the corresponding GAAP measures provided by each company under applicable SEC rules.

The following is an explanation of the items excluded by us from Adjusted EBITDA but included in net income and income from continuing operations:

- Depreciation and Amortization. Depreciation and amortization expense is a non-cash expense relating to capital expenditures and intangible assets arising from acquisitions that are expensed on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the related assets. We exclude depreciation and amortization expense from Adjusted EBITDA because we believe that (i) the amount of such expenses in any specific period may not directly correlate to the underlying performance of our business operations and (ii) such expenses can vary significantly between periods as a result of new acquisitions and full amortization of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets. Accordingly, we believe that this exclusion assists management and investors in making period-to-period comparisons of operating performance. Investors should note that the use of tangible and intangible assets contributed to revenue in the periods presented and will contribute to future revenue generation and should also note that such expense will recur in future periods.
- Stock-Based Compensation Expense. Stock-based compensation expense is a non-cash expense arising from the grant of stock-based awards to employees. We believe that excluding the effect of stock-based compensation from Adjusted EBITDA assists management and investors in making period-to-period comparisons in our company's operating performance because (i) the amount of such expenses in any specific period may not directly correlate to the underlying performance of our business operations and (ii) such expenses can vary significantly between periods as a result of the timing of grants of new stock-based awards, including grants in connection with acquisitions. Additionally, we believe that excluding stock-based compensation from Adjusted EBITDA assists management and investors in making meaningful comparisons between our company's operating performance and the operating performance of other companies that may use different forms of employee compensation or different valuation methodologies for their stock-based compensation. Investors should note that stock-based compensation is a key incentive offered to employees whose efforts contributed to the operating results in the periods presented and are expected to contribute to operating results in future periods. Investors should also note that such expenses will recur in the future. Stock-based compensation expenses included in the Consolidated Statement of Operations are summarized as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,				1	Ended		
					September 30			30,
		2015 2014			2015		2014	
Non-cash stock-based compensation included in: Cost of operations Sales and marketing General and administrative	\$ \$ \$	1,370 1,968 5,804	\$ \$ \$	1,663 1,863 4,876	\$	3,791 5,099 15,841	\$ \$ \$	4,556 5,662 14,507

• Interest Income and Expense. Interest income is associated with the level of marketable debt securities and other interest bearing accounts in which we invest, and interest expense is related to our company's capital structure (including non-cash interest expense relating to our convertible notes). Interest income and expense varies over time due to a variety of financing transactions and due to acquisitions and divestitures that we have entered into or may enter into in the future. We have, in the past, issued convertible debentures, repurchased shares in cash tender offers and repurchased shares and convertible debentures through other repurchase transactions, and completed the divestiture of certain businesses. We exclude interest income and interest expense from Adjusted EBITDA (i) because these items are not directly attributable to the performance of our business operations and, accordingly, their exclusion assists management and investors in making period-to-period comparisons of operating performance and (ii) to assist management and investors in making comparisons to companies with different capital structures. Investors should note that interest income and expense will recur in future periods. The following provides detail regarding the components of interest expense of our convertible notes:

	Three Mon	ths Ended	Nine Montl	ns Ended				
	Septem	ber 30,	September 30,					
_	2015	2014	2015	2014				

2.25% Convertible Notes2.50% Convertible Notes1.50% Convertible Notes	\$ \$ \$	282 447 291	\$ \$ \$	390 446 292	\$ \$ \$	1,062 1,339 875	\$ \$ \$	1,170 1,339 875
Cash interest expense								
2.25% Convertible Notes	\$	1,036	\$	1,418	\$	3,873	\$	4,256
2.50% Convertible Notes	\$	2,500	\$	2,500	\$	7,500	\$	7,500
1.50% Convertible Notes	\$	1,125	\$	1,125	\$	3,375	\$	3,375

- Income Tax Provision (Benefit). We maintain a valuation allowance on a portion of our net deferred tax assets (including our net operating loss carryforwards), the amount of which may change from quarter to quarter based on factors that are not directly related to our results for the quarter. The valuation allowance is either adjusted through the statement of operations or additional paid-in capital. The timing of such adjustments has not been consistent and as a result, our income tax expense can fluctuate significantly from period to period in a manner not directly related to our operating performance. We exclude the income tax provision (benefit) from Adjusted EBITDA (i) because we believe that the income tax provision (benefit) is not directly attributable to the underlying performance of our business operations and, accordingly, its exclusion assists management and investors in making period-to-period comparisons of operating performance and (ii) to assist management and investors in making comparisons to companies with different tax attributes. Investors should note that income tax provision (benefit) will recur in future periods.
- Other Items. We engage in other activities and transactions that can impact our net income or income from continuing operations. In recent periods, these other items included, but were not limited to: (i) gain on investments; (ii) settlements of litigation or claims; (iii) loss on repurchases of our convertible notes; and (iv) severance expense. We exclude these other items from Adjusted EBITDA because we believe these activities or transactions are not directly attributable to the performance of our business operations and, accordingly, their exclusion assists management and investors in making period-to-period comparisons of operating performance. Investors should note that some of these other items may recur in future periods.

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