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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 10-Q**

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(Mark One)

☒ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarter ended September 30, 2014

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OR

☐ TRANSITION PERIOD PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM TO  
Commission File Number: 001-33584

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**DICE HOLDINGS, INC.**  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

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Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

20-3179218  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1040 Avenue of the Americas, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, New York  
(Address of principal executive offices)

10018  
(Zip Code)

(212) 725-6550  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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 ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, 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 ☒ 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 definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer ☐ Accelerated filer ☒ Non-accelerated filer ☐ 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 ☒

As of October 24, 2014, there were 53,148,070 shares of the registrant's common stock, par value \$.01 per share, outstanding.

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**SIGNATURES**

Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002  
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**PART I.**
**ITEM 1. Financial Statements**

**DICE HOLDINGS, INC.**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**  
**(unaudited)**  
**(in thousands, except per share data)**

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 27,018	\$ 39,351
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$3,141 and \$2,719	40,022	37,760
Deferred income taxes—current	2,811	1,399
Income taxes receivable	3,310	2,399
Prepaid and other current assets	4,159	3,739
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>77,320</b>	<b>84,648</b>
Fixed assets, net	16,290	18,612
Acquired intangible assets, net	85,936	84,905
Goodwill	243,198	230,190
Deferred financing costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$656 and \$378	1,407	1,685
Deferred income taxes—non-current	1,235	—
Other assets	874	601
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 426,260</b>	<b>\$ 420,641</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 27,300	\$ 27,468
Deferred revenue	81,906	77,394
Current portion of acquisition related contingencies	9,040	5,751
Current portion of long-term debt	2,500	2,500
Deferred income taxes—current	110	123
Income taxes payable	1,186	400
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>122,042</b>	<b>113,636</b>
Long-term debt	110,625	116,500
Deferred income taxes—non-current	14,901	13,641
Accrual for unrecognized tax benefits	3,511	2,618
Acquisition related contingencies	—	4,042
Other long-term liabilities	3,013	2,392
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>254,092</b>	<b>252,829</b>
Commitments and contingencies (Note 7)		
Stockholders' equity		
Convertible preferred stock, \$.01 par value, authorized 20,000 shares; no shares issued and outstanding	—	—
Common stock, \$.01 par value, authorized 240,000; issued 76,132 and 73,414 shares, respectively; outstanding: 53,591 and 54,634 shares, respectively	761	734
Additional paid-in capital	323,868	309,087
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(9,577)	(6,114)
Accumulated earnings	53,928	32,832
Treasury stock, 22,541 and 18,780 shares, respectively	(196,812)	(168,727)
<b>Total stockholders' equity</b>	<b>172,168</b>	<b>167,812</b>
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 426,260</b>	<b>\$ 420,641</b>

*See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.*

**DICE HOLDINGS, INC.**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
**(unaudited)**  
**(in thousands, except per share amounts)**

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended</b>	
	<b>September 30,</b>		<b>September 30,</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Revenues	\$ 67,615	\$ 52,616	\$ 194,849	\$ 155,064
Operating expenses:				
Cost of revenues	9,418	6,099	27,803	16,853
Product development	6,487	5,597	19,254	16,253
Sales and marketing	20,746	16,601	60,032	50,106
General and administrative	10,760	8,534	32,131	25,040
Depreciation	2,930	2,011	8,647	5,377
Amortization of intangible assets	3,798	2,208	12,552	5,617
Change in acquisition related contingencies	44	50	134	146
Total operating expenses	54,183	41,100	160,553	119,392
Operating income	13,432	11,516	34,296	35,672
Interest expense	(927)	(378)	(2,875)	(1,097)
Other income (expense)	8	5	(129)	261
Income before income taxes	12,513	11,143	31,292	34,836
Income tax expense	3,020	4,085	10,196	12,730
Net income	\$ 9,493	\$ 7,058	\$ 21,096	\$ 22,106
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.39
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.37
Weighted-average basic shares outstanding	52,089	56,606	52,486	57,324
Weighted-average diluted shares outstanding	54,106	59,505	54,545	60,497

*See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.*

**DICE HOLDINGS, INC.**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**(unaudited)**  
**(in thousands)**

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended</b>	
	<b>September 30,</b>		<b>September 30,</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Net income	\$ 9,493	\$ 7,058	\$ 21,096	\$ 22,106
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(3,759)	4,413	(3,463)	(635)
Unrealized losses on investments	—	—	—	(9)
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	(3,759)	4,413	(3,463)	(644)
Comprehensive income	\$ 5,734	\$ 11,471	\$ 17,633	\$ 21,462

*See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.*

**DICE HOLDINGS, INC.**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**(unaudited)**  
**(in thousands)**

	<b>Nine Months Ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 21,096	\$ 22,106
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows from operating activities:		
Depreciation	8,647	5,377
Amortization of intangible assets	12,552	5,617
Deferred income taxes	(4,317)	(1,841)
Amortization of deferred financing costs	278	181
Stock based compensation	5,886	6,263
Change in acquisition related contingencies	134	146
Change in accrual for unrecognized tax benefits	893	(126)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of the effects of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable	(232)	5,263
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(446)	321
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(16)	2,681
Income taxes receivable/payable	(956)	(4,292)
Deferred revenue	3,581	(916)
Other, net	544	4
Net cash flows from operating activities	47,644	40,784
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Payments for acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(27,001)	(12,259)
Purchases of fixed assets	(6,784)	(8,160)
Purchases of investments	—	(3)
Maturities and sales of investments	—	2,194
Net cash flows from investing activities	(33,785)	(18,228)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Payments on long-term debt	(23,875)	(20,000)
Proceeds from long-term debt	18,000	34,000
Payments under stock repurchase plan	(26,909)	(35,046)
Payment of acquisition related contingencies	(824)	—
Proceeds from stock option exercises	7,974	3,149
Purchase of treasury stock related to vested restricted stock	(1,223)	(995)
Excess tax benefit over book expense from stock based compensation	1,504	2,346
Net cash flows from financing activities	(25,353)	(16,546)
Effect of exchange rate changes	(839)	(1,326)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents for the period	(12,333)	4,684
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	39,351	40,013
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 27,018	\$ 44,697

*See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.*

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**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

## **1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying interim unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Dice Holdings, Inc. (“DHI” or the “Company”) have been prepared by the Company pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain information and disclosures normally included in annual audited consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) have been omitted and condensed pursuant to such rules and regulations. In the opinion of the Company’s management, all adjustments (consisting of only normal and recurring accruals) have been made to present fairly the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Company for the periods presented. Although the Company believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading, these financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company’s annual audited consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013 included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 (the “Annual Report on Form 10-K”). Operating results for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be achieved for the full year.

Preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the condensed consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Management believes the most complex and sensitive judgments, because of their significance to the condensed consolidated financial statements, result primarily from the need to make estimates about the effects of matters that are inherently uncertain. Actual results could differ materially from management’s estimates reported in the condensed consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto.

## **2. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS**

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the “FASB”) issued ASU No. 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers. The new standard outlines the principles an entity must apply to measure and recognize revenue and the related cash flows it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. The updated standard will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in U.S. GAAP. The updated standard becomes effective for reporting periods (interim and annual) beginning after December 15, 2016, with no early adoption permitted. The new standard can be applied retrospectively to each prior reporting period presented or retrospectively with the cumulative effect of the change recognized at the date of the initial application. The Company is assessing the potential impact of the new standard on its consolidated financial statements and has not yet selected a transition method.

## **3. ACQUISITIONS**

**OilCareers**—In March 2014, the Company acquired from the Daily Mail and General Trust PLC all of the issued and outstanding shares of OilCareers Limited, OilCareers.com, Inc. and OilCareers Pty Limited (collectively, “OilCareers”), the leading recruitment site for oil and gas professionals in Europe. The purchase price consisted of \$26.1 million, paid in cash at closing, and \$0.3 million paid in the second quarter of 2014 to settle certain working capital requirements. OilCareers was acquired in March 2014; and the valuation of assets and liabilities was completed during the second quarter of 2014. The OilCareers acquisition is not deemed significant to the Company’s financial results, thus limited disclosures are presented herein.

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The final valuation of assets and liabilities recognized as of the acquisition date for OilCareers include (in thousands):

	<b>OilCareers Acquisition</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Accounts receivable	\$ 1,082
Acquired intangible assets	14,508
Goodwill	15,078
Fixed assets	98
Other assets	196
<b>Assets acquired</b>	<b>30,962</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 567
Deferred revenue	1,081
Deferred income taxes	2,916
<b>Liabilities assumed</b>	<b>4,564</b>
<b>Net Assets Acquired</b>	<b>\$ 26,398</b>

Goodwill results from the expansion of the Company's market share in the Energy vertical, from intangible assets that do not qualify for separate recognition, including an assembled workforce and site traffic, and from expected synergies from combining operations of OilCareers into the Company's existing operations. The amount of goodwill from the OilCareers acquisition expected to be deductible for tax purposes is \$1.2 million.

**onTargetjobs**—In November 2013, the Company acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of onTargetjobs, Inc., a leading vertical recruiting service in healthcare and hospitality. The purchase price consisted of \$46.3 million, net of cash acquired. The Company borrowed \$54.0 million under the Credit Agreement to fund this acquisition. The acquisition resulted in recording intangible assets of \$27.6 million and goodwill of \$23.8 million. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed were recorded at fair value as of the acquisition date. The acquired accounts receivable of \$6.3 million were recorded at fair value of \$6.3 million. The Company incurred transaction costs related to the acquisition of \$1.2 million, which were included in General and Administrative expense on the Consolidated Statements of Operations in the year ended December 31, 2013.

**The IT Job Board**—In July 2013, the Company expanded its online tech recruiting business to Europe by acquiring all of the issued and outstanding shares of JobBoard Enterprises Limited, an online recruitment company in the technology industry, that operates The IT Job Board business ("The IT Job Board"). The purchase price consisted of £8.0 million (\$12.2 million), net of cash acquired, plus deferred payments totaling £3.0 million (\$4.6 million) in the aggregate, payable upon the achievement of certain operating and financial goals ending in 2014. The Company borrowed \$15.0 million under the Credit Agreement to fund this acquisition. The acquisition resulted in recording intangible assets of \$10.8 million and goodwill of \$9.1 million. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed were recorded at fair value as of the acquisition date. The acquired accounts receivable of \$1.2 million were recorded at fair value of \$1.2 million. The IT Job Board acquisition is not deemed significant to the Company's financial results, thus limited disclosures are presented herein.

The assets and liabilities recognized as of the acquisition dates for onTargetjobs and The IT Job Board include (in thousands):



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	<b>onTargetjobs and The IT Job Board Acquisitions</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,200
Accounts receivable	7,558
Acquired intangible assets	38,410
Goodwill	32,935
Fixed assets	5,688
Other assets	1,195
<b>Assets acquired</b>	<b>93,986</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 9,577
Deferred revenue	5,465
Deferred income taxes	7,160
Fair value of contingent consideration	4,474
<b>Liabilities assumed</b>	<b>26,676</b>
<b>Net Assets Acquired</b>	<b>\$ 67,310</b>

Goodwill results from the entrance or expansion of the Company's market share in the Healthcare, Hospitality and Tech & Clearance verticals, from intangible assets that do not qualify for separate recognition, including an assembled workforce and site traffic, and from expected synergies from combining operations of The IT Job Board and onTargetjobs into the Company's existing operations. The amount of goodwill from The IT Job Board and onTargetjobs acquisitions expected to be deductible for tax purposes is \$3.9 million.

In October 2014 and 2013, deferred purchase price payments of \$5.0 million each were made related to the WorkDigital acquisition, finalizing all deferred purchase price payments for WorkDigital.

**Pro forma Information**—The following pro forma consolidated results of operations are presented as if the acquisition of onTargetjobs was completed as of January 1, 2013:

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30,</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Revenues	\$ 67,615	\$ 62,539	\$ 194,849	\$ 184,446
Net income	9,493	7,417	21,096	22,391
Basic earnings per share	0.18	0.13	0.40	0.39

The pro forma financial information represents the combined historical operating results of the Company and onTargetjobs with adjustments for purchase accounting and is not necessarily indicative of the results of operations that would have been achieved if the acquisition had taken place at the beginning of the periods presented. The pro forma adjustments included adjustments for interest on borrowings, amortization of acquired intangible assets and the related income tax impacts of such adjustments. The Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 include revenues from the onTargetjobs acquisition of \$10.2 million and \$28.5 million, respectively, and operating losses of \$0.2 million and \$2.6 million, respectively. The operating losses were primarily attributable to amortization of intangible assets of \$1.0 million and \$4.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively.

The pro forma financial information does not include adjustments for The IT Job Board or OilCareers, as they are not individually or collectively material to the Company's results.

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#### 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The FASB ASC topic on Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires certain disclosures for each major asset and liability category measured at fair value on either a recurring or nonrecurring basis. As a basis for considering assumptions, a three-tier fair value hierarchy is used, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value as follows:

- Level 1 – Quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets.
- Level 2 – Quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active and model-derived valuations, in which all significant inputs are observable in active markets.
- Level 3 – Unobservable inputs in which there is little or no market data, which require the reporting entity to develop its own assumptions.

Money market funds are included in cash and cash equivalents on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The money market funds are valued using quoted prices in the market. The carrying amounts reported in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets for cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses, and long-term debt approximate their fair values.

The Company has obligations, to be paid in cash, related to its acquisitions if certain future operating and financial goals are met. See Note 3 “Acquisitions.” The fair value of this contingent consideration is determined using an expected present value technique. Expected cash flows are determined using the probability weighted-average of possible outcomes that would occur should delivery of certain product enhancements occur. There is no market data available to use in valuing the contingent consideration; therefore, the Company developed its own assumptions related to the expected future delivery of product enhancements to estimate the fair value of these liabilities. A 2% discount rate is used to fair value the expected payments. The liabilities for the contingent consideration were established at the time of acquisition and are evaluated at each reporting period. The expense is included in Change in Acquisition Related Contingencies on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are as follows (in thousands):

As of September 30, 2014				
	Fair Value Measurements Using			Total
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
Money market funds	\$ 361	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 361
Contingent consideration to be paid in cash for the acquisitions	—	—	9,040	9,040
As of December 31, 2013				
	Fair Value Measurements Using			Total
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
Money market funds	\$ 15,610	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 15,610
Contingent consideration to be paid in cash for the acquisitions	—	—	9,793	9,793

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Reconciliations of liabilities measured and carried at fair value on a recurring basis with the use of significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) are as follows (in thousands):

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30,</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Contingent consideration for acquisitions</b>				
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 9,195	\$ 9,852	\$ 9,793	\$ 9,756
Additions for acquisitions	—	4,738	—	4,738
Cash payments	—	—	(824)	—
Change in estimates included in earnings	44	50	134	146
Change due to foreign exchange rate changes	(199)	—	(63)	—
Balance at end of period	<u>\$ 9,040</u>	<u>\$ 14,640</u>	<u>\$ 9,040</u>	<u>\$ 14,640</u>

Certain assets and liabilities are measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis and therefore are not included in the table above. These assets include goodwill and intangible assets which result as acquisitions occur. Items valued using such internally generated valuation techniques are classified according to the lowest level input or value driver that is significant to the valuation. Thus, an item may be classified in Level 3 even though there may be some significant inputs that are readily observable. Such instruments are not measured at fair value on an ongoing basis but are subject to fair value adjustments in certain circumstances, for example, when there is evidence of impairment.

**Goodwill**—The Company determines whether the carrying value of recorded goodwill is impaired for each reporting unit on an annual basis or more frequently if indicators of potential impairment exist for each reporting unit. The annual impairment test for the goodwill is performed on the following reporting units:

<b>Reporting Unit</b>	<b>Annual Impairment Test Date</b>	<b>Impairment Indicated</b>
Tech & Clearance	August 31	No
Energy	October 31	No
Finance	October 31	No
Slashdot Media	October 31	Yes - Q4 2013
Health Callings	October 31	Yes - Q4 2013
Work Digital	October 31	No

Goodwill resulting from the 2013 acquisitions of The IT Job Board and onTargetjobs and the 2014 acquisition of OilCareers will be tested annually for impairment beginning on October 31, 2014. In testing goodwill for impairment, a qualitative assessment can be performed and if it is determined that the fair value of the reporting unit is more likely than not less than the carrying amount, the two step impairment test is required. The first step of the impairment review process compares the fair value of the reporting unit in which the goodwill resides to the carrying value of that reporting unit. The second step measures the amount of impairment loss, if any, by comparing the implied fair value of the reporting unit goodwill with its carrying amount. The determination of whether or not goodwill has become impaired involves a significant level of judgment in the assumptions underlying the approach used to determine the value of the reporting units. Fair values of each reporting unit are determined either by using a discounted cash flow methodology or by using a combination of a discounted cash flow methodology and a market comparable method. The discounted cash flow methodology is based on projections of the amounts and timing of future revenues and cash flows, assumed discount rates and other assumptions as deemed appropriate. Factors such as historical performance, anticipated market conditions, operating expense trends and capital expenditure requirements are considered. Additionally, the discounted cash flows analysis takes into consideration cash expenditures for product development, other technological updates and advancements to the websites and investments to improve the candidate databases. The market comparable method indicates the fair value of a business by comparing it to publicly traded companies in similar lines of business or to comparable transactions or assets. Considerations for factors such as size, growth, profitability, risk and return on investment are analyzed and compared to the comparable businesses and adjustments are made. A market value of invested capital of the publicly traded companies is calculated and then applied to the entity's operating results to arrive at an estimate of value.

**Indefinite-lived Intangible Assets**—The indefinite-lived acquired intangible assets include the Dice trademarks and brand name. The Company determines whether the carrying value of recorded indefinite-lived acquired intangible assets is impaired on an annual basis or more frequently if indicators of potential impairment exist. The impairment test is performed annually as of August 31 and last resulted in no impairment. The impairment review process compares the fair value of the indefinite-lived

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acquired intangible assets to its carrying value. If the carrying value exceeds the fair value, an impairment loss is recorded. The determination of whether or not indefinite-lived acquired intangible assets have become impaired involves a significant level of judgment in the assumptions underlying the approach used to determine the value of the indefinite-lived acquired intangible assets. Fair values are determined using a profit allocation methodology, which estimates the value of the trademark and brand name by capitalizing the profits saved because the Company owns the asset. Factors such as historical performance, anticipated market conditions, operating expense trends and capital expenditure requirements are considered. Changes in Company strategy and/or market conditions could significantly impact these judgments and require adjustments to recorded amounts of intangible assets.

## 5. ACQUIRED INTANGIBLE ASSETS, NET

Below is a summary of the major acquired intangible assets and the weighted-average amortization period for the acquired identifiable intangible assets (in thousands):

As of and for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014							
	Cost	Acquisitions	Total Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustment	Acquired Intangible Assets, Net	Weighted-Average Amortization Period
Technology	\$ 23,654	\$ 166	\$ 23,820	\$ (19,757)	\$ (120)	\$ 3,943	3.5 years
Trademarks and brand names—Dice	39,000	—	39,000	—	—	39,000	Indefinite
Trademarks and brand names—Other	23,837	1,123	24,960	(12,231)	(696)	12,033	6.1 years
Customer lists	54,932	9,403	64,335	(41,363)	(1,418)	21,554	5.5 years
Candidate and content database	40,198	3,816	44,014	(34,863)	255	9,406	2.7 years
Order backlog	2,718	—	2,718	(2,718)	—	—	0.5 years
Acquired intangible assets, net	<u>\$184,339</u>	<u>\$ 14,508</u>	<u>\$ 198,847</u>	<u>\$ (110,932)</u>	<u>\$ (1,979)</u>	<u>\$ 85,936</u>	

As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2013								
	Cost	Acquisitions	Total Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustment	Impairment	Acquired Intangible Assets, Net	Weighted-Average Amortization Period
Technology	\$ 21,000	\$ 4,028	\$ 25,028	\$ (17,566)	\$ (35)	\$ (1,374)	\$ 6,053	3.5 years
Trademarks and brand names—Dice	39,000	—	39,000	—	—	—	39,000	Indefinite
Trademarks and brand names—Other	19,115	6,651	25,766	(10,541)	(505)	(1,929)	12,791	6.2 years
Customer lists	45,213	14,500	59,713	(40,255)	(840)	(3,281)	15,337	5.3 years
Candidate and content database	30,341	10,513	40,854	(30,615)	329	(656)	9,912	2.8 years
Order backlog	—	2,718	2,718	(906)	—	—	1,812	0.5 years
Acquired intangible assets, net	<u>\$154,669</u>	<u>\$ 38,410</u>	<u>\$193,079</u>	<u>\$ (99,883)</u>	<u>\$ (1,051)</u>	<u>\$ (7,240)</u>	<u>\$ 84,905</u>	

OilCareers was acquired in March 2014 and the valuation of assets and liabilities was completed during the second quarter of 2014. Identifiable intangible assets for the OilCareers acquisition are included in the total cost as of September 30, 2014. The weighted-average amortization period for the technology, trademarks and brand names, customer lists and candidate and content database are 0.8 years, 5.0 years, 7.0 years and 2.0 years, respectively, related to the OilCareers acquisition.

Identifiable intangible assets for The IT Job Board and onTargetjobs acquisitions are included in the total cost as of December 31, 2013. The weighted-average amortization period for the technology, trademarks and brand names, customer lists, candidate and content database and order backlog are 3.0 years, 6.9 years, 8.0 years, 2.8 years and 0.5 years, respectively, related to these acquisitions.

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During 2013, the long-lived assets of both Health Callings and Slashdot Media were tested for recoverability due to the downturn in the current and expected future financial performance of the reporting units. This process resulted in an impairment of unamortized intangible assets of \$7.2 million at Slashdot Media as of December 31, 2013.

Based on the carrying value of the acquired finite-lived intangible assets recorded as of September 30, 2014, and assuming no subsequent impairment of the underlying assets, the estimated future amortization expense is as follows (in thousands):

October 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014	\$	3,780
2015		13,825
2016		8,259
2017		5,101
2018		4,545
2019 and thereafter		11,426
Total	\$	<u>46,936</u>

## 6. INDEBTEDNESS

**Credit Agreement**—In October 2013, the Company, together with Dice Inc. and Dice Career Solutions, Inc. (collectively, the “Borrowers”) entered into a Credit Agreement (the “Credit Agreement”), which provides for a \$50.0 million term loan facility and a revolving loan facility of \$200.0 million, with both facilities maturing in October 2018. The Company borrowed \$65.0 million under the new Credit Agreement to repay all outstanding indebtedness under the previously existing credit facility dated June 2012, terminating that facility. A portion of the proceeds was also used to pay certain costs associated with the Credit Agreement and for working capital purposes.

Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at the Company’s option, at a LIBOR rate or a base rate plus a margin. The margin ranges from 1.75% to 2.50% on LIBOR loans and 0.75% to 1.50% on base rate loans, determined by the Company’s most recent consolidated leverage ratio. The facility requires quarterly payments of \$625,000 with the unpaid balance due at maturity and may be prepaid at any time without penalty.

The Credit Agreement contains various customary affirmative and negative covenants and also contains certain financial covenants, including a consolidated leverage ratio and a consolidated interest coverage ratio. Negative covenants include restrictions on incurring certain liens; making certain payments, such as stock repurchases and dividend payments; making certain investments; making certain acquisitions; and incurring additional indebtedness. Restricted payments are allowed under the Credit Agreement to the extent the consolidated leverage ratio, calculated on a pro forma basis, is equal to or less than 2.0 to 1.0, plus an additional \$5.0 million of restricted payments. The Credit Agreement also provides that the payment of obligations may be accelerated upon the occurrence of customary events of default, including, but not limited to, non-payment, change of control, or insolvency. As of September 30, 2014, the Company was in compliance with all of the financial covenants under the Credit Agreement.

The obligations under the Credit Agreement are guaranteed by three of the Company’s wholly-owned subsidiaries, eFinancialCareers, Inc., Targeted Job Fairs, Inc., and Rigzone.com, Inc., and secured by substantially all of the assets of the Borrowers and the guarantors and stock pledges from certain of the Company’s foreign subsidiaries.

Debt issuance costs of \$872,000 were incurred and are being amortized over the life of the loan. These costs are included in interest expense. Unamortized deferred financing costs from the previous credit facility of \$878,000 will continue to be amortized over the life of the new Credit Agreement.

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The amounts borrowed as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
<b>Amounts borrowed:</b>		
Term loan facility	\$ 48,125	\$ 50,000
Revolving credit facility	65,000	69,000
Total borrowed	<u>\$ 113,125</u>	<u>\$ 119,000</u>
Available to be borrowed under revolving facility	\$ 135,000	\$ 131,000
<b>Interest rates:</b>		
LIBOR rate loans:		
Interest margin	2.00%	2.00%
Actual interest rates	2.19%	2.19%

Future maturities as of September 30, 2014 are as follows (in thousands):

October 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014	\$ 625
2015	2,500
2016	5,000
2017	5,000
2018	100,000
Total minimum payments	<u>\$ 113,125</u>

Borrowings during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 were to fulfill temporary cash needs to fund operating activities. Borrowings during the year ended December 31, 2013 were to fund The IT Job Board acquisition, onTargetjobs acquisition, and stock repurchases. Scheduled payments to repay the term loan commenced in the first quarter of 2014. There are no scheduled amortization payments for the revolving loan facility of \$200.0 million until maturity of the Credit Agreement in October 2018.

## 7. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### *Leases*

The Company leases equipment and office space under operating leases expiring at various dates through December 2025. Future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as of September 30, 2014 are as follows (in thousands):

October 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014	\$ 1,311
2015	3,277
2016	2,836
2017	2,832
2018	2,520
2019 and thereafter	9,208
Total minimum payments	<u>\$ 21,984</u>

Rent expense was \$1.1 million and \$3.0 million for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2014, respectively, and \$0.9 million and \$2.4 million for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013, respectively, and is included in General and Administrative expense in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

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### *Litigation*

The Company is subject to various claims from taxing authorities, lawsuits and other complaints arising in the ordinary course of business. The Company records provisions for losses when claims become probable and the amounts are reasonably estimable. Although the outcome of these legal matters cannot be determined, it is the opinion of management that the final resolution of these matters will not have a material effect on the Company's financial condition, operations or liquidity.

### *Tax Contingencies*

The Company operates in a number of tax jurisdictions and is subject to audits and reviews by various taxation authorities with respect to income, payroll, sales and use and other taxes and remittances. The Company may become subject to future tax assessments by various authorities for current or prior periods. The determination of the Company's worldwide provision for taxes requires judgment and estimation. There are many transactions and calculations where the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. The Company has recorded certain provisions for tax estimates which management believes are reasonable.

## **8. EQUITY TRANSACTIONS**

**Stock Repurchase Plans**—The Company's Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase program that permits the Company to repurchase its common stock. The following table summarizes the Stock Repurchase Plans approved by the Board of Directors:

	<b>Stock Repurchase Plan</b>		
	II	III	IV
Approval Date	March 2012	January 2013	December 2013
Authorized Repurchase Amount of Common Stock	\$65 million	\$50 million	\$50 million
Effective Dates	March 2012 to March 2013	April 2013 to December 2013	December 2013 to present

The Company is currently under Stock Repurchase Plan IV, which will expire no later than December 2014. Under each plan, management has discretion in determining the conditions under which shares may be purchased from time to time.

During the quarter ended September 30, 2014, purchases of the Company's common stock pursuant to Stock Repurchase Plan IV were as follows:

Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Dollar Value of Shares Purchased	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
1,056,207	\$ 8.22	\$ 8,677,152	\$ 21,987,000

Approximately \$0.5 million and \$0.6 million of share repurchases had not settled as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively, and are included in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

## **9. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS**

Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net consists of the following components, net of tax, (in thousands):

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Foreign currency translation adjustment	\$ (9,577)	\$ (6,117)
Unrealized gains on investments, net of tax of \$0 and \$0	—	3
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss, net	\$ (9,577)	\$ (6,114)



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Changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) during the three months ended September 30, 2014 are as follows (in thousands):

	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Unrealized gains on investments	Total
Beginning balance	\$ (5,821)	\$ 3	\$ (5,818)
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	(3,759)	—	(3,759)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	—	—	—
Net current-period other comprehensive loss	(3,759)	—	(3,759)
Ending balance	<u>\$ (9,580)</u>	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ (9,577)</u>

Changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) during the three months ended September 30, 2013 are as follows (in thousands):

	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Unrealized gains (losses) on investments	Total
Beginning balance	\$ (14,351)	\$ —	\$ (14,351)
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications	4,413	—	4,413
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	—	—	—
Net current-period other comprehensive income	4,413	—	4,413
Ending balance	<u>\$ (9,938)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (9,938)</u>

Changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 are as follows (in thousands):

	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Unrealized gains on investments	Total
Beginning balance	\$ (6,117)	\$ 3	\$ (6,114)
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	(3,463)	—	(3,463)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	—	—	—
Net current-period other comprehensive loss	(3,463)	—	(3,463)
Ending balance	<u>\$ (9,580)</u>	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ (9,577)</u>

Changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 are as follows (in thousands):

	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Unrealized gains (losses) on investments	Total
Beginning balance	\$ (9,303)	\$ 9	\$ (9,294)
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	(635)	(9)	(644)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss	—	—	—
Net current-period other comprehensive loss	(635)	(9)	(644)
Ending balance	<u>\$ (9,938)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (9,938)</u>



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# **10. STOCK BASED COMPENSATION**

Under the 2012 Omnibus Equity Award Plan, the Company has granted stock options and restricted stock to certain employees, consultants and directors. Compensation expense for stock-based awards made to employees, directors and consultants in return for service is recorded in accordance with Compensation-Stock Compensation of the FASB ASC. The expense is measured at the grant-date fair value of the award and recognized as compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the service period, which is the vesting period. The Company estimates forfeitures that it expects will occur and records expense based upon the number of awards expected to vest. The Company recorded stock based compensation expense of \$1.7 million and \$5.9 million during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2014, respectively, and \$2.1 million and \$6.3 million during the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013, respectively. At September 30, 2014, there was \$15.8 million of unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested awards, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately 1.7 years.

**Restricted Stock**—Restricted stock is granted to employees and consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries, and to non-employee members of the Company’s Board. These shares are part of the compensation plan for services provided by the employees, consultants, or Board members. The closing price of the Company’s stock on the date of grant is used to determine the fair value of the grants. The expense related to the restricted stock grants is recorded over the vesting period. There was no cash flow impact resulting from the grants.

A summary of the status of restricted stock awards as of September 30, 2014 and 2013, and the changes during the periods then ended is presented below:

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2014</b>		<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2013</b>	
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Fair Value at Grant Date</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Fair Value at Grant Date</b>
Non-vested at beginning of the period	1,891,131	\$ 8.48	1,733,375	\$ 9.91
Granted—Restricted Stock	78,000	\$ 7.69	117,000	\$ 9.39
Forfeited during the period	(114,625)	\$ 8.21	(74,875)	\$ 10.03
Vested during the period	(56,000)	\$ 9.43	(25,125)	\$ 10.07
Non-vested at end of period	<u>1,798,506</u>	<u>\$ 8.43</u>	<u>1,750,375</u>	<u>\$ 9.87</u>
	<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013</b>	
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Fair Value at Grant Date</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Fair Value at Grant Date</b>
Non-vested at beginning of the period	1,560,375	\$ 9.81	1,305,369	\$ 10.09
Granted—Restricted Stock	1,013,500	\$ 7.21	989,500	\$ 9.80
Forfeited during the period	(208,825)	\$ 8.64	(170,563)	\$ 10.20
Vested during the period	(566,544)	\$ 9.96	(373,931)	\$ 10.30
Non-vested at end of period	<u>1,798,506</u>	<u>\$ 8.43</u>	<u>1,750,375</u>	<u>\$ 9.87</u>

**Stock Options**—The fair value of each option grant is estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model using the weighted-average assumptions in the table below. This valuation model requires the Company to make assumptions and judgments about the variables used in the calculation, including the fair value of the Company’s common stock, the expected life (the period of time that the options granted are expected to be outstanding), the volatility of the Company’s common stock, a risk-free interest rate and expected dividends. The expected life of options granted is derived from historical exercise behavior. The risk-free rate for periods within the expected life of the option is based on the U.S. Treasury rates in effect at the time of grant.

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	<b>Three Months Ended September 30,</b>		<b>Nine Months Ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
The weighted average fair value of options granted	\$ 2.57	\$ 3.39	\$ 2.60	\$ 3.54
Dividend yield	—%	—%	—%	—%
Weighted average risk free interest rate	1.71%	1.40%	1.56%	0.98%
Weighted average expected volatility	36.73%	41.46%	40.53%	42.20%
Expected life (in years)	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6

A summary of the status of options granted as of September 30, 2014 and 2013, and the changes during the periods then ended is presented below:

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2014</b>		
	<b>Options</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</b>	<b>Aggregate Intrinsic Value</b>
Options outstanding at beginning of period	7,044,103	\$ 5.79	\$ 16,371,140
Granted	3,000	\$ 7.69	—
Exercised	(1,014,414)	\$ 4.47	\$ 4,015,153
Forfeited	(110,746)	\$ 9.75	—
Options outstanding at end of period	5,921,943	\$ 5.94	\$ 16,629,928

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2013</b>		
	<b>Options</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</b>	<b>Aggregate Intrinsic Value</b>
Options outstanding at beginning of period	8,595,577	\$ 5.24	\$ 36,183,544
Granted	235,000	\$ 9.29	—
Exercised	(522,394)	\$ 0.93	\$ 4,188,424
Forfeited	(104,250)	\$ 9.13	—
Options outstanding at end of period	8,203,933	\$ 5.58	\$ 27,187,484

	<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014</b>		
	<b>Options</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</b>	<b>Aggregate Intrinsic Value</b>
Options outstanding at beginning of period	7,536,601	\$ 5.53	\$ 17,493,907
Granted	617,000	\$ 7.20	—
Exercised	(1,913,943)	\$ 4.17	\$ 7,069,999
Forfeited	(317,715)	\$ 9.46	—
Options outstanding at end of period	5,921,943	\$ 5.94	\$ 16,629,928
Exercisable at end of period	4,675,592	\$ 5.29	\$ 15,958,433

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<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013</b>			
	<b>Options</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</b>	<b>Aggregate Intrinsic Value</b>
Options outstanding at beginning of period	8,780,400	\$ 4.67	\$ 41,236,574
Granted	968,000	\$ 9.71	—
Exercised	(1,382,403)	\$ 2.28	\$ 9,848,965
Forfeited	(162,064)	\$ 8.95	—
Options outstanding at end of period	<u>8,203,933</u>	<u>\$ 5.58</u>	<u>\$ 27,187,484</u>
Exercisable at end of period	<u>6,475,360</u>	<u>\$ 4.57</u>	<u>\$ 26,834,448</u>

The weighted-average remaining contractual term of options exercisable at September 30, 2014 is 1.9 years. The following table summarizes information about options outstanding as of September 30, 2014:

<b>Exercise Price</b>	<b>Options Outstanding</b>		<b>Options Exercisable</b>
	<b>Number Outstanding</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Life (in years)</b>	<b>Number Exercisable</b>
\$ 0.20 - \$ 0.99	313,791	0.9	313,791
\$ 1.00 - \$ 3.99	1,306,412	1.2	1,306,412
\$ 4.00 - \$ 5.99	580,445	2.1	580,445
\$ 6.00 - \$ 8.99	2,835,207	3.1	2,012,294
\$ 9.00 - \$ 14.50	886,088	5.1	462,650
	<u>5,921,943</u>		<u>4,675,592</u>

## 11. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company changed its reportable segments during the fourth quarter of 2013 to reflect the current operating structure. Accordingly, all prior periods have been recast to reflect the current segment presentation.

The Company has five reportable segments: Tech & Clearance, Finance, Energy, Healthcare and Hospitality. The Tech & Clearance reportable segment includes the Dice.com, ClearanceJobs.com, and The IT Job Board (since the date of acquisition) services, as well as related career fairs. The Finance reportable segment includes the eFinancialCareers service worldwide. The Energy reportable segment includes the Rigzone service, OilCareers service (since the date of acquisition) and related career fairs. The Healthcare reportable segment includes Health Callings, HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace (since the date of acquisition of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace) services. The Hospitality reportable segment includes Hcareers (since the date of acquisition) and did not require recast as it was new in the year ended 2013. Management has organized its reportable segments based upon the industry verticals served. Each of the reportable segments generates significant revenue from sales of recruitment packages and related services.

The Company has other services and activities that individually are not more than 10% of consolidated revenues, operating income or total assets. These include Slashdot Media and WorkDigital and are reported in the “Corporate & Other” category, along with corporate-related costs which are not considered in a segment.

The Company’s foreign operations are comprised of The IT Job Board operations (since the date of acquisition) and a portion of the eFinancialCareers, OilCareers (since the date of acquisition) and Rigzone services, which operate in Europe, the financial centers of the gulf region of the Middle East and Asia Pacific. The Company’s foreign operations also include Hcareers (since the date of acquisition), which operates in Canada.

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The following table shows the segment information (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
<b>By Segment:</b>				
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Tech & Clearance	\$ 34,783	\$ 33,610	\$ 101,268	\$ 97,988
Finance	9,449	8,556	27,493	25,891
Energy	8,043	6,157	22,465	17,529
Healthcare	6,921	634	19,995	1,831
Hospitality	3,668	—	10,050	—
Corporate & Other	4,751	3,659	13,578	11,825
Total revenues	<u>\$ 67,615</u>	<u>\$ 52,616</u>	<u>\$ 194,849</u>	<u>\$ 155,064</u>
<b>Depreciation:</b>				
Tech & Clearance	\$ 1,581	\$ 1,422	\$ 4,715	\$ 3,696
Finance	152	124	441	395
Energy	47	36	130	94
Healthcare	742	68	2,184	186
Hospitality	76	—	197	—
Corporate & Other	332	361	980	1,006
Total depreciation	<u>\$ 2,930</u>	<u>\$ 2,011</u>	<u>\$ 8,647</u>	<u>\$ 5,377</u>
<b>Amortization:</b>				
Tech & Clearance	\$ 973	\$ 760	\$ 2,917	\$ 760
Finance	19	19	57	406
Energy	1,605	775	4,170	2,325
Healthcare	464	—	3,201	67
Hospitality	575	—	1,722	—
Corporate & Other	162	654	485	2,059
Total amortization	<u>\$ 3,798</u>	<u>\$ 2,208</u>	<u>\$ 12,552</u>	<u>\$ 5,617</u>
<b>Operating income (loss):</b>				
Tech & Clearance	\$ 13,065	\$ 15,258	\$ 37,981	\$ 46,018
Finance	1,823	1,169	5,090	4,794
Energy	2,061	1,676	4,626	4,601
Healthcare	(766)	(327)	(4,000)	(1,065)
Hospitality	801	—	1,578	—
Corporate & Other	(3,552)	(6,260)	(10,979)	(18,676)
Operating income	<u>13,432</u>	<u>11,516</u>	<u>34,296</u>	<u>35,672</u>
Interest expense	(927)	(378)	(2,875)	(1,097)
Other income (expense)	8	5	(129)	261
Income before income taxes	<u>\$ 12,513</u>	<u>\$ 11,143</u>	<u>\$ 31,292</u>	<u>\$ 34,836</u>
<b>Capital expenditures:</b>				
Tech & Clearance	\$ 1,923	\$ 1,787	\$ 4,729	\$ 6,207
Finance	50	129	542	235
Energy	31	91	128	390
Healthcare	432	139	1,138	311
Hospitality	2	—	20	—
Corporate & Other	19	128	227	1,172
Total capital expenditures	<u>\$ 2,457</u>	<u>\$ 2,274</u>	<u>\$ 6,784</u>	<u>\$ 8,315</u>

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	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
<b>By Geography:</b>				
Revenues:				
United States	\$ 47,603	\$ 42,457	\$ 139,446	\$ 125,297
Non-United States	20,012	10,159	55,403	29,767
Total revenues	<u>\$ 67,615</u>	<u>\$ 52,616</u>	<u>\$ 194,849</u>	<u>\$ 155,064</u>

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Total assets:		
Tech & Clearance	\$ 177,892	\$ 180,366
Finance	77,308	89,213
Energy	82,887	52,374
Healthcare	22,032	28,679
Hospitality	34,919	38,600
Corporate & Other	31,222	31,409
Total assets	<u>\$ 426,260</u>	<u>\$ 420,641</u>

The following table shows the carrying amount of goodwill by reportable segment as of December 31, 2013 and September 30, 2014 and the changes in goodwill for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 (in thousands):

	Tech & Clearance	Finance	Energy	Healthcare	Hospitality	Corporate & Other	Total
<b>Balance, December 31, 2013</b>	\$ 96,519	\$ 56,254	\$ 35,104	\$ 6,269	\$ 17,456	\$ 18,588	\$ 230,190
Addition for Acquisitions	—	—	15,078	—	—	—	15,078
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(151)	(727)	5	—	(916)	(281)	(2,070)
<b>Goodwill at September 30, 2014</b>	<u>\$ 96,368</u>	<u>\$ 55,527</u>	<u>\$ 50,187</u>	<u>\$ 6,269</u>	<u>\$ 16,540</u>	<u>\$ 18,307</u>	<u>\$ 243,198</u>

Goodwill acquired during the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 was the result of the OilCareers acquisition. OilCareers was acquired in March 2014 and the valuation of assets and liabilities was completed during the second quarter of 2014, resulting in an increase to goodwill.

## 12. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share ("EPS") is computed based on the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding. Diluted EPS is computed based on the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding plus common stock equivalents assuming exercise of stock options, where dilutive. Options to purchase approximately 2.5 million and 2.9 million shares were outstanding during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2014, respectively, and options to purchase 3.0 million and 2.3 million shares were outstanding during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2013, respectively, but were excluded from the calculation of diluted EPS for the periods then ended because the options' exercise price was greater than the average market price of the common shares. The following is a calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share and weighted-average shares outstanding (in thousands, except per share amounts):

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	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Income from continuing operations—basic and diluted	\$ 9,493	\$ 7,058	\$ 21,096	\$ 22,106
Weighted-average shares outstanding—basic	52,089	56,606	52,486	57,324
Add shares issuable upon exercise of stock options	2,017	2,899	2,059	3,173
Weighted-average shares outstanding—diluted	54,106	59,505	54,545	60,497
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.39
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.37

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

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our condensed consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this report. See also "Note Concerning Forward-Looking Statements" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013.

Information contained herein contains forward-looking statements. You should not place undue reliance on those statements because they are subject to numerous uncertainties and factors relating to our operations and business environment, all of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, information concerning our possible or assumed future results of operations, including descriptions of our business strategy. These statements often include words such as "may," "will," "should," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "estimate" or similar expressions. These statements are based on assumptions that we have made in light of our experience in the industry as well as our perceptions of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors we believe are appropriate under the circumstances. Although we believe that these forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, you should be aware that many factors could affect our actual financial results or results of operations and could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to, competition from existing and future competitors in the highly competitive market in which we operate, failure to adapt our business model to keep pace with rapid changes in the recruiting and career services business, failure to maintain and develop our reputation and brand recognition, failure to increase or maintain the number of customers who purchase recruitment packages, cyclicalities or downturns in the economy or industries we serve, failure to attract qualified professionals to our websites or grow the number of qualified professionals who use our websites, failure to successfully identify or integrate acquisitions, U.S. and foreign government regulation of the Internet and taxation, our ability to borrow funds under our revolving credit facility or refinance our indebtedness and restrictions on our current and future operations under such indebtedness. These factors and others are discussed in more detail in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, under the headings "Risk Factors," "Note Concerning Forward-Looking Statements" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

Information contained herein contains certain non-GAAP financial measures. These measures are not in accordance with, or an alternative for measures in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Such measures presented herein include adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, non-cash stock based compensation expense, and other non-recurring income or expense ("Adjusted EBITDA"), and free cash flow. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Liquidity and Capital Resources."

You should keep in mind that any forward-looking statement made by us herein, or elsewhere, speaks only as of the date on which it is made. New risks and uncertainties come up from time to time, and it is impossible to predict these events or how they may affect us. We have no obligation to update any forward-looking statements after the date hereof, except as required by federal securities laws.

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, proxy and information statements and other material information concerning us are available free of charge on the Investors page of our website at [www.diceholdingsinc.com](http://www.diceholdingsinc.com). Our reports filed with the SEC are also available at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, by calling 1-800-SEC-0330, or by visiting <http://www.sec.gov>. The information contained on our website is not incorporated into this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

### **Overview**

We are a leading provider of specialized websites for select professional communities. Through our online communities, professionals can manage their careers by finding relevant job opportunities and by building their knowledge through original and community-shared content. Our websites enable employers, recruiters, staffing agencies, consulting firms and marketing professionals to effectively target and reach highly-valued audiences.

In online recruitment, we target employment categories in which there is a long-term scarcity of highly skilled, highly qualified professionals relative to market demand. Our websites serve as online marketplaces where employers and recruiters find and recruit prospective employees, and where professionals find relevant job opportunities and information to further their careers.

In online media, we serve the technology community and the marketing and advertising professionals who want to reach this audience where they create, improve, compare and distribute open source software or debate and discuss current news and issues.



Our websites offer job postings, news and content, open source software, career development and recruiting services tailored to the specific needs of the professional community that each website serves.

Through our predecessors, we have been in the recruiting and career development business for more than 23 years. Based on our operating structure, we have identified five reportable segments under the Segment Reporting topic of the FASB ASC.

Our reportable segments include:

- Tech & Clearance— Dice.com, ClearanceJobs.com, The IT Job Board (acquired in July 2013) and related career fairs
- Finance— eFinancialCareers
- Energy— Rigzone, OilCareers (acquired in March 2014) and related career fairs
- Healthcare— Health Callings, HEALTheCAREERS and BioSpace (both acquired in November 2013)
- Hospitality— Hcareers (acquired in November 2013)

## **Our Revenues and Expenses**

We derive the majority of our revenues from customers who pay fees, either annually, quarterly or monthly, to post jobs on our websites and to access our searchable databases of resumes. Our fees vary by customer based on the number of individual users of our databases of resumes, the number and type of job postings purchased and the terms of the package purchased. Our Tech & Clearance segment sells recruitment packages that can include both access to our databases of resumes and Open Web profiles, as well as job posting capabilities. Our Finance, Energy, Healthcare and Hospitality segments sell job postings and access to our resume databases either as part of a package or individually. We believe the key metrics that are material to an analysis of our businesses are our total number of recruitment package customers and the revenue, on average, that these customers generate. At September 30, 2014, Dice.com had approximately 8,000 total recruitment package customers. Deferred revenue is a key metric of our business as it indicates a level of sales already made that will be recognized as revenue in the future. Deferred revenue reflects the impact of our ability to sign customers to longer term contracts. We recorded deferred revenue of \$81.9 million and \$77.4 million at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively.

We also generate revenue from advertising on our various websites or from lead generation and marketing solutions provided to our customers. Advertisements include various forms of rich media and banner advertising, text links, sponsorships, and custom content marketing solutions. Lead generation information utilizes advertising and other methods to deliver leads to a customer.

Our ability to continue to grow our revenues will largely depend on our ability to grow our customer bases in the markets in which we operate by acquiring new recruitment package customers and advertisers while retaining a high proportion of the customers we currently serve, and to expand the breadth of services our customers purchase from us. We continue to make investments in our business and infrastructure to help us achieve our long-term growth objectives.

Other material factors that may affect our results of operations include our ability to attract qualified professionals that become engaged with our websites and our ability to attract customers with relevant job opportunities. The more qualified professionals that use our websites, the more attractive our websites become to employers and advertisers, which in turn makes them more likely to become our customers, resulting positively on our results of operations. If we are unable to continue to attract qualified professionals to engage with our websites, our customers may no longer find our services attractive, which could have a negative impact on our results of operations. Additionally, we need to ensure that our websites remain relevant in order to attract qualified professionals to our websites and to engage them in high-valued tasks such as posting resumes and/or applying to jobs.

The largest components of our expenses are personnel costs and marketing and sales expenditures. Personnel costs consist of salaries, benefits, and incentive compensation for our employees, including commissions for salespeople. Personnel costs are categorized in our statement of operations based on each employee's principal function. Marketing expenditures primarily consist of online advertising and direct mailing programs.

## **Critical Accounting Policies**

There have been no material changes to our critical accounting policies as compared to the critical accounting policies described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013.



## Results of Operations

### Three Months Ended September 30, 2014 Compared to the Three Months Ended September 30, 2013

#### Revenues

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Percent
	2014	2013	Increase	Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Tech & Clearance	\$ 34,783	\$ 33,610	\$ 1,173	3.5 %
Finance	9,449	8,556	893	10.4 %
Energy	8,043	6,157	1,886	30.6 %
Healthcare	6,921	634	6,287	N/A
Hospitality	3,668	—	3,668	— %
Corporate & Other	4,751	3,659	1,092	29.8 %
Total revenues	\$ 67,615	\$ 52,616	\$ 14,999	28.5 %

Our revenues were \$67.6 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 compared to \$52.6 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$15.0 million, or 28.5%.

We experienced an increase in the Tech & Clearance segment revenue of \$1.2 million, or 3.5%, of which the acquisition of The IT Job Board contributed \$1.4 million to the increase. Revenue at Dice.com decreased by approximately \$240,000 compared to the same period in 2013. Recruitment package customer count decreased from 8,450 at September 30, 2013 to 8,000 at September 30, 2014, but is unchanged from June 30, 2014. Our customers' usage of our websites increased, as demonstrated through an increase in average monthly revenue per recruitment package customer of approximately 5% from the three month period ended September 30, 2013 to the three month period ended September 30, 2014.

The Finance segment experienced an increase in revenue of \$893,000, or 10.4%. Currency impact for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 increased revenue by approximately \$590,000. In originating currency, revenue increased 18% in Continental Europe, 9% in the Asia Pacific region, 6% in the UK, and decreased 9% in North America. Recruitment activity in financial services increased in the quarter, particularly in Europe and Asia.

Revenues for the Energy segment totaled \$8.0 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2014, an increase of \$1.9 million or 30.6% from the comparable 2013 period. The acquisition of OilCareers in March 2014 contributed \$2.0 million of the increase. The increase was offset by a decrease in events revenue due to a biennial industry event that did not occur in the current period.

The Healthcare segment, consisting of HEALTHeCAREERS, BioSpace and Health Callings, increased revenue by \$6.3 million. The acquisitions of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace on November 7, 2013 provided the increase.

Revenues for the Hospitality segment, which includes Hcareers, totaled \$3.7 million. Hcareers was acquired on November 7, 2013.

Revenues from the Corporate & Other segment, which consists of revenue from Slashdot Media and WorkDigital, increased by \$1.1 million or 29.8% due to Slashdot Media.

#### Cost of Revenues

	Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Cost of revenues	\$ 9,418	\$ 6,099	\$ 3,319	54.4%
Percentage of revenues	13.9%	11.6%		

Our cost of revenues for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$9.4 million compared to \$6.1 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$3.3 million, or 54.4%. The Healthcare segment increased \$2.6 million due to the acquisitions of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace. HEALTHeCAREERS has relationships with various healthcare associations which provide traffic and jobs to the website. Royalties paid to these associations are driving \$1.5 million of the increase at the Healthcare segment. The Tech & Clearance segment experienced an increase of \$734,000, of which \$475,000

was attributed to investment in software subscriptions. Additional headcount and increased compensation is driving \$190,000 of the increase. The acquisition of The IT Job Board added \$161,000 to the remainder of the increase at the Tech & Clearance segment. The Hospitality segment increased \$444,000 due to the acquisition of Hcareers, and the Energy segment decreased \$359,000 due to a lower cost of recruitment events.

#### *Product Development Expenses*

	Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Product Development	\$ 6,487	\$ 5,597	\$ 890	15.9%
Percentage of revenues	9.6%	10.6%		

Product development expenses for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 were \$6.5 million compared to \$5.6 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$890,000 or 15.9%. The Healthcare segment increased by \$556,000; the acquisition of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace contributed to the increase. An increase of \$406,000 was experienced in the Tech & Clearance segment, primarily driven by additional headcount. The Hospitality segment increased \$298,000 due to the acquisition of Hcareers. The Energy segment increased by \$151,000, of which \$81,000 was due to the acquisition of OilCareers. The remaining increase in the Energy segment was due to employee-related expenses. The Corporate & Other segment experienced a decrease of \$439,000, primarily attributable to change in leadership and removal of consultants at Corporate of \$393,000, lower headcount at Slashdot Media of \$179,000, offset by increased employee-related expenses of \$156,000 at WorkDigital.

#### *Sales and Marketing Expenses*

	Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Sales and Marketing	\$ 20,746	\$ 16,601	\$ 4,145	25.0%
Percentage of revenues	30.7%	31.6%		

Sales and marketing expenses for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 were \$20.7 million compared to \$16.6 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$4.1 million or 25.0%. The Tech and Clearance segment sales expense increased by \$1.2 million primarily due to increased commissions costs of \$460,000 as a result of higher billings, \$216,000 due to additional headcount and \$113,000 due to increased employee-related expenses. The acquisition of The IT Job Board added \$396,000 to the increase at the Tech & Clearance segment. The Healthcare segment experienced an increase in sales expense of \$1.2 million for the three month period ended September 30, 2014; of which the acquisition of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace added \$1.4 million to the increase. This increase was offset by decreased sales expenses at Health Callings of \$191,000. The Hospitality segment sales expense increased by \$908,000 due to increased costs related to the acquisition of Hcareers.

At the Energy segment, we experienced an increase of \$441,000 in sales and marketing costs due to the acquisition of OilCareers. The Healthcare segment experienced an increase in marketing expenses of \$312,000, of which the acquisition of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace added \$734,000 to the increase. This increase was offset by decreased marketing expenses at Health Callings of \$422,000. The Hospitality segment experienced an increase in marketing costs of \$132,000 due to increased costs related to the acquisition of Hcareers.

#### *General and Administrative Expenses*

	Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
General and administrative	\$ 10,760	\$ 8,534	\$ 2,226	26.1%
Percentage of revenues	15.9%	16.2%		

General and administrative expenses for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 were \$10.8 million compared to \$8.5 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$2.2 million or 26.1%.

Stock-based compensation expense was \$1.7 million, a decrease of approximately \$300,000 compared to the same period in 2013. The decrease was due to the lower value of equity awards recognized in the current period.

General and administrative expense for the Tech & Clearance segment increased \$320,000 in the three month period ended September 30, 2014, as compared to the same period in 2013. The increase was related to increased recruitment fees and employee-related expenses.

The Healthcare and Hospitality segments increased by \$819,000 and \$416,000 due to the acquisitions of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace and Hcareers, respectively. The Finance segment increased by \$428,000 due primarily to recruitment fees and other employee-related costs. The Energy segment increased \$364,000 due to the OilCareers acquisition.

#### *Depreciation*

	Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Depreciation	\$ 2,930	\$ 2,011	\$ 919	45.7%
Percentage of revenues	4.3%	3.8%		

Depreciation expense for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$2.9 million compared to \$2.0 million for the same period of 2013, an increase of \$919,000 or 45.7%. The increase was primarily related to the addition of onTargetjobs assets, which increased depreciation expense by \$818,000. The remaining increase in depreciation was the result of other capital additions to hardware, software, and web development costs and their related depreciation in 2014 in the Tech & Clearance segment.

#### *Amortization of Intangible Assets*

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Percent
	2014	2013	Increase	Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Amortization	\$ 3,798	\$ 2,208	\$ 1,590	72.0%
Percentage of revenues	5.6%	4.2%		

Amortization expense for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$3.8 million compared to \$2.2 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$1.6 million or 72.0%. Amortization expense for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 increased due to the onTargetjobs, OilCareers and The IT Job Board acquisitions of \$1.0 million, \$924,000 and \$213,000, respectively. This increase was offset by decreased amortization expense due to the impairment of intangible assets at Slashdot Media at December 31, 2013.

#### *Change in Acquisition Related Contingencies*

The change in acquisition related contingencies was an expense of \$44,000 for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 due to The IT Job Board and WorkDigital acquisitions, compared to \$50,000 of expense in the prior year period due to the WorkDigital acquisition. In January 2014, a payment of \$824,000 related to The IT Job Board was made to the seller. In October 2014, a final deferred purchase price payment of \$5.0 million related to the WorkDigital acquisition was made to the seller. We expect deferred purchase price payments totaling \$4.0 million to be paid by January 2015 related to The IT Job Board.

#### *Operating Income*

Operating income for the three months ended September 30, 2014 was \$13.4 million compared to \$11.5 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$1.9 million or 16.6%. The increase was the result of increased revenue, offset by higher operating costs, primarily related to the expenses of the new businesses of onTargetjobs, OilCareers and The IT Job Board.

### Interest Expense

	Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Interest expense	\$ 927	\$ 378	\$ 549	145.2%
Percentage of revenues	1.4%	0.7%		

Interest expense for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$927,000 compared to \$378,000 for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$549,000 or 145.2%. The weighted-average debt outstanding was higher in the three month period ended September 30, 2014 as compared to the same period in 2013 due to additional borrowings for the onTargetjobs acquisition.

### Income Taxes

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013
	(in thousands, except percentages)	
Income before income taxes	\$ 12,513	\$ 11,143
Income tax expense	3,020	4,085
Effective tax rate	24.1%	36.7%

The effective income tax rate was 24.1% and 36.7% for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 and September 30, 2013, respectively. The Company recognized a benefit in the current period of \$1.7 million related to tax loss carryovers obtained in the onTargetjobs acquisition.

### Earnings per Share

Basic earnings per share was \$0.18 and \$0.12 for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 and September 30, 2013, respectively, an increase of \$0.06 or 50.0%. Diluted earnings per share was \$0.18 and \$0.12 for the three month period ended September 30, 2014 and September 30, 2013, respectively, an increase of \$0.06 or 50.0%. The increases were primarily due to an increase in net income and decreased weighted-average shares outstanding due to stock repurchases.

## Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014 Compared to the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013

### Revenues

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			Percent Change
	2014	2013	Increase	
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Tech & Clearance	\$ 101,268	\$ 97,988	\$ 3,280	3.3 %
Finance	27,493	25,891	1,602	6.2 %
Energy	22,465	17,529	4,936	28.2 %
Healthcare	19,995	1,831	18,164	N/A
Hospitality	10,050	—	10,050	— %
Corporate & Other	13,578	11,825	1,753	14.8 %
Total revenues	\$ 194,849	\$ 155,064	\$ 39,785	25.7%

Our revenues were \$194.8 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 compared to \$155.1 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$39.8 million, or 25.7%.

We experienced an increase in the Tech & Clearance segment revenue of \$3.3 million, or 3.3%, of which the acquisition of The IT Job Board contributed \$5.9 million to the increase. Revenue at Dice.com decreased by \$2.5 million compared to the same period in 2013. Recruitment package customer count decreased from 8,450 at September 30, 2013 to 8,000 at September 30, 2014. Our customers' usage of our websites increased, as demonstrated through an increase in average monthly revenue per recruitment package customer of approximately 4% from the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 to the

nine month period ended September 30, 2014. Revenues for related career fairs and ClearanceJobs decreased by \$178,000 for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 as compared to the same period in 2013.

The Finance segment experienced an increase in revenue of \$1.6 million, or 6.2%. Currency impact for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 increased revenue by approximately \$1.8 million. In originating currency, revenue increased 8% in Continental Europe, increased 4% in the UK, increased 3% in the Asia Pacific region and decreased 10% in North America. Recruitment activity in financial services increased in the nine month period ended September 30, 2014, particularly in Europe and Asia.

Revenues for the Energy segment totaled \$22.5 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014, an increase of \$4.9 million or 28.2% from the comparable 2013 period. The acquisition of OilCareers in March 2014 contributed \$4.2 million of the increase. The remaining increase was a result of increased usage of our advertising products and our career center.

The Healthcare segment, consisting of HEALTHeCAREERS, BioSpace and Health Callings, increased revenue by \$18.2 million. The acquisitions of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace on November 7, 2013 provided the increase.

Revenues for the Hospitality segment, which consists of Hcareers, totaled \$10.1 million. Hcareers was acquired on November 7, 2013. Revenues from the Corporate & Other segment, which consists of revenue from Slashdot Media and WorkDigital, increased by \$1.8 million or 14.8% due to Slashdot Media.

#### *Cost of Revenues*

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			Percent Change
	2014	2013	Increase	
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Cost of revenues	\$ 27,803	\$ 16,853	\$ 10,950	65.0%
Percentage of revenues	14.3%	10.9%		

Our cost of revenues for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$27.8 million compared to \$16.9 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$11.0 million, or 65.0%. The Healthcare segment increased \$7.4 million due to the acquisitions of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace. HEALTHeCAREERS has relationships with various healthcare associations which provide traffic and jobs to the website. Royalties paid to these associations are driving \$4.1 million of the increase at the Healthcare segment. The Tech & Clearance segment experienced an increase of \$2.4 million. Approximately \$1.2 million of the increase was attributed to additional compensation and software subscriptions. The acquisition of The IT Job Board added \$856,000 to the remainder of the increase at the Tech & Clearance segment. The Hospitality segment increased \$1.3 million due to the acquisition of Hcareers. The Corporate & Other segment experienced a decrease in cost of revenues of \$217,000 compared to the same period in 2013 primarily relating to lower headcount at Slashdot Media offset by increased web hosting expenses related to Work Digital.

#### *Product Development Expenses*

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Product Development	\$ 19,254	\$ 16,253	\$ 3,001	18.5%
Percentage of revenues	9.9%	10.5%		

Product development expenses for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 were \$19.3 million compared to \$16.3 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$3.0 million or 18.5%. The Healthcare segment increased by \$1.6 million; the acquisition of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace contributed to the increase. An increase of \$1.2 million was experienced in the Tech & Clearance segment, primarily driven by additional salaries and related costs of \$1.2 million for the increased number of employees, partially offset by increased capitalized development costs. The acquisition of The IT Job Board added the remaining \$344,000 of the increase. The increase was offset by decreased training, software and testing expenses of \$306,000.

The Hospitality segment increased \$866,000 due to the acquisition of Hcareers. The Finance segment increased by \$378,000 primarily driven by additional salaries and related costs for the increased number of employees and consulting fees of

\$225,000, and product initiatives and system upgrades of \$190,000. Energy increased \$312,000, of which the acquisition of OilCareers contributed \$171,000 of the increase. The remainder of the increase at the Energy segment was due to salaries and related costs. The Corporate & Other segment experienced a decrease of \$1.4 million attributable primarily to a decrease of \$826,000 due to lower headcount at Slashdot Media, a decrease of \$447,000 related to ending a specific product initiative, a decrease of \$354,000 due to lower consulting expenses at Corporate, offset by increased employee-related expenses of \$226,000 at WorkDigital.

### *Sales and Marketing Expenses*

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			Percent Change
	2014	2013	Increase	
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Sales and Marketing	\$ 60,032	\$ 50,106	\$ 9,926	19.8%
Percentage of revenues	30.8%	32.3%		

Sales and marketing expenses for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 were \$60.0 million compared to \$50.1 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$9.9 million or 19.8%. The Healthcare segment experienced an increase in overall sales and marketing expense of \$4.5 million to \$6.6 million for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014, of which \$5.5 million was related to the acquisition of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace. This increase was offset by decreased sales and marketing expenses at Health Callings of \$1.0 million. The Hospitality segment sales and marketing expense increased by \$3.1 million due to increased costs related to the acquisition of Hcareers. The Energy segment sales and marketing expense increased by \$1.5 million due to increased costs related to the acquisition of OilCareers.

The Tech & Clearance segment experienced an increase in sales costs of \$3.4 million. The acquisition of The IT Job Board added \$2.2 million to the increase in sales costs at the Tech & Clearance segment. The remaining increase in sales costs at the Tech & Clearance segment was due to increased commissions costs as a result of higher billings, additional headcount and increased employee-related expenses. The Finance segment sales costs increased by \$1.0 million primarily due to increased commissions costs as a result of higher billings and increased employee-related expenses. Marketing costs at the Tech & Clearance segment decreased by \$3.2 million due to a \$4.4 million reallocation of marketing initiatives and reduction in email campaigns, offset by an increase of \$192,000 due to additional headcount. The acquisition of The IT Job Board added \$1.0 million to marketing costs at the Tech & Clearance segment. Marketing costs at the Finance segment decreased by \$342,000 due to timing of marketing spend.

### *General and Administrative Expenses*

	Nine Months Ended September 30,				Percent Change
	2014	2013		Increase	
	(in thousands, except percentages)				
General and administrative	\$ 32,131	\$ 25,040	\$ 7,091		28.3%
Percentage of revenues	16.5%	16.1%			

General and administrative expenses for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 were \$32.1 million compared to \$25.0 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$7.1 million or 28.3%.

Stock-based compensation expense was \$5.9 million, a decrease of approximately \$375,000 compared to the same period in 2013. The decrease was due to the lower value of equity awards recognized in the current period.

General and administrative expense for the Tech & Clearance segment increased \$2.4 million in the nine month period ended September 30, 2014, as compared to the same period in 2013 due to increases of \$1.3 million related to employee-related expenses, recruitment fees, additional headcount, the build out of Tech & Clearance operations in Silicon Valley and additional office space in Iowa. The remaining increase of approximately \$1.1 million at the Tech & Clearance segment was due to costs related to The IT Job Board business. The Healthcare and Hospitality segments increased by \$2.4 million and \$1.3 million due to the acquisitions of HEALTHeCAREERS and BioSpace and Hcareers, respectively. The Energy segment increase of \$868,000 was primarily attributable to costs related to the OilCareers acquisition. The Finance segment increased \$476,000 due primarily to increased recruiting fees.



### Depreciation

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Depreciation	\$ 8,647	\$ 5,377	\$ 3,270	60.8%
Percentage of revenues	4.4%	3.5%		

Depreciation expense for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$8.6 million compared to \$5.4 million for the same period of 2013, an increase of \$3.3 million or 60.8%. The increase was primarily related to the addition of onTargetjobs and The IT Job Board assets, which increased depreciation expense by \$2.4 million and \$327,000, respectively. The remaining increase in depreciation was the result of other capital additions to hardware, software, and web development costs in the Tech & Clearance segment.

### Amortization of Intangible Assets

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Amortization	\$ 12,552	\$ 5,617	\$ 6,935	123.5%
Percentage of revenues	6.4%	3.6%		

Amortization expense for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$12.6 million compared to \$5.6 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$6.9 million or 123.5%. Amortization expense for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 increased due to the onTargetjobs, The IT Job Board and OilCareers acquisitions of \$4.9 million, \$2.2 million and \$2.0 million, respectively. This increase was offset by decreased amortization expense due to the write off of intangible assets at Slashdot Media at December 31, 2013.

### Change in Acquisition Related Contingencies

The change in acquisition related contingencies was an expense of \$134,000 for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 due to The IT Job Board and WorkDigital acquisitions, compared to \$146,000 of expense in the prior year period due to the WorkDigital acquisition. In January 2014, a payment of \$824,000 related to The IT Job Board was made to the seller. In October 2014, a final deferred purchase price payment of \$5.0 million related to the WorkDigital acquisition was made to the seller. We expect deferred purchase price payments totaling \$4.0 million to be paid by January 2015 related to The IT Job Board.

### Operating Income

Operating income for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$34.3 million compared to \$35.7 million for the same period in 2013, a decrease of \$1.4 million or 3.9%. The decrease was the result of higher operating costs, primarily related to the expenses of the new businesses of onTargetjobs, OilCareers and The IT Job Board.

### Interest Expense

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2014	2013	Increase	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Interest expense	\$ 2,875	\$ 1,097	\$ 1,778	162.1%
Percentage of revenues	1.5%	0.7%		

Interest expense for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 was \$2.9 million compared to \$1.1 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$1.8 million or 162.1%. The weighted-average debt outstanding was higher in the period ended September 30, 2014 as compared to the same period in 2013 due to additional borrowings for the onTargetjobs acquisition.

## Income Taxes

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013
	(in thousands, except percentages)	
Income before income taxes	\$ 31,292	\$ 34,836
Income tax expense	10,196	12,730
Effective tax rate	32.6%	36.5%

The effective income tax rate was 32.6% and 36.5% for the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 and September 30, 2013, respectively. The Company's effective rate on ordinary income was higher in the current period because an increased percentage of worldwide 2014 income is expected to be earned in the United States. However, the Company also recognized a benefit in the current period of \$1.7 million related to tax loss carryovers obtained in the onTargetjobs acquisition.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

### Non-GAAP Measures

We have provided certain non-GAAP financial information as additional information for our operating results. These measures are not in accordance with, or an alternative for measures in accordance with GAAP and may be different from similarly titled non-GAAP measures reported by other companies. We believe the presentation of non-GAAP measures, such as Adjusted EBITDA, and free cash flow, provides useful information to management and investors regarding certain financial and business trends relating to our financial condition and results of operations.

### Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP metric used by management to measure operating performance. Management uses Adjusted EBITDA as a performance measure for internal monitoring and planning, including preparation of annual budgets, analyzing investment decisions and evaluating profitability and performance comparisons between us and our competitors. We also use this measure to calculate amounts of performance based compensation under the senior management incentive bonus program. Adjusted EBITDA, as defined in our Credit Agreement, represents net income plus (to the extent deducted in calculating such net income) interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization, non-cash stock option expenses, losses resulting from certain dispositions outside the ordinary course of business, certain writeoffs in connection with indebtedness, impairment charges with respect to long-lived assets, expenses incurred in connection with an equity offering, extraordinary or non-recurring non-cash expenses or losses, transaction costs in connection with the Credit Agreement up to \$250,000, deferred revenues written off in connection with acquisition purchase accounting adjustments, writeoff of non-cash stock compensation expense, and business interruption insurance proceeds, minus (to the extent included in calculating such net income) non-cash income or gains, interest income, and any income or gain resulting from certain dispositions outside the ordinary course of business.

We also consider Adjusted EBITDA, as defined above, to be an important indicator to investors because it provides information related to our ability to provide cash flows to meet future debt service, capital expenditures and working capital requirements and to fund future growth as well as to monitor compliance with financial covenants. We present Adjusted EBITDA as a supplemental performance measure because we believe that this measure provides our board of directors, management and investors with additional information to measure our performance, provide comparisons from period to period and company to company by excluding potential differences caused by variations in capital structures (affecting interest expense) and tax positions (such as the impact on periods or companies of changes in effective tax rates or net operating losses), and to estimate our value.

We present Adjusted EBITDA because covenants in our Credit Agreement contain ratios based on this measure. Our Credit Agreement is material to us because it is one of our primary sources of liquidity. If our Adjusted EBITDA were to decline below certain levels, covenants in our Credit Agreement that are based on Adjusted EBITDA may be violated and could cause a default and acceleration of payment obligations under our Credit Agreement. See Note 6 "Indebtedness" for additional information on the covenants for our Credit Agreement.

Adjusted EBITDA is not a measurement of our financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income, operating income or any other performance measures derived in accordance with GAAP or as an alternative to cash flow from operating activities as a measure of our profitability or liquidity.



We understand that although Adjusted EBITDA is frequently used by securities analysts, lenders and others in their evaluation of companies, Adjusted EBITDA has limitations as an analytical tool, and you should not consider it in isolation, or as a substitute for analysis of our liquidity or results as reported under GAAP. Some limitations are:

- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect our cash expenditures, or future requirements for capital expenditures or contractual commitments;
- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, our working capital needs;
- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect the significant interest expense, or the cash requirements necessary to service interest or principal payments on your debt;
- Although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized often will have to be replaced in the future, and Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect any cash requirements for such replacements; and
- Other companies in our industry may calculate Adjusted EBITDA differently than we do, limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure.

To compensate for these limitations, management evaluates our liquidity by considering the economic effect of excluded expense items independently, as well as in connection with its analysis of cash flows from operations and through the use of other financial measures, such as capital expenditure budget variances, investment spending levels and return on capital analysis.

A reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 (in thousands) follows:

	<b>For the nine months ended September 30,</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Reconciliation of Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA:</b>		
Net income	\$ 21,096	\$ 22,106
Interest expense	2,875	1,097
Income tax expense	10,196	12,730
Depreciation	8,647	5,377
Amortization of intangible assets	12,552	5,617
Change in acquisition related contingencies	134	146
Non-cash stock compensation expense	5,886	6,263
Deferred revenue adjustment	2,745	359
Other	129	(261)
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$ 64,260</u>	<u>\$ 53,434</u>
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Cash Flows to Adjusted EBITDA:</b>		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 47,644	\$ 40,784
Interest expense	2,875	1,097
Amortization of deferred financing costs	(278)	(181)
Income tax expense	10,196	12,730
Deferred income taxes	4,317	1,841
Change in accrual for unrecognized tax benefits	(893)	126
Change in accounts receivable	232	(5,263)
Change in deferred revenue	(3,581)	916
Deferred revenue adjustment	2,745	359
Changes in working capital and other	1,003	1,025
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$ 64,260</u>	<u>\$ 53,434</u>

### Free Cash Flow

We define free cash flow as net cash provided by operating activities minus capital expenditures. We believe free cash flow is an important non-GAAP measure for management and investors as it provides useful cash flow information regarding our ability to service, incur or pay down indebtedness or repurchase our common stock. We use free cash flow as a measure to reflect cash available to service our debt as well as to fund our expenditures. A limitation of using free cash flow versus the GAAP measure of net cash provided by operating activities is free cash flow does not represent the total increase or decrease in the cash balance from operations for the period since it includes cash used for capital expenditures during the period and is adjusted for acquisition related payments within operating cash flows.

We have summarized our free cash flow for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 (in thousands).

	For the nine months ended September 30,	
	2014	2013
Cash from operating activities	\$ 47,644	\$ 40,784
Purchases of fixed assets	(6,784)	(8,160)
Free cash flow	<u>\$ 40,860</u>	<u>\$ 32,624</u>

### Cash Flows

We have summarized our cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 (in thousands).

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013
Cash from operating activities	\$ 47,644	\$ 40,784
Cash from investing activities	(33,785)	(18,228)
Cash from financing activities	(25,353)	(16,546)

We have financed our operations primarily through cash provided by operating activities. At September 30, 2014, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$27.0 million compared to \$39.4 million at December 31, 2013. Cash and cash equivalents held in non-United States jurisdictions totaled approximately \$18.0 million at September 30, 2014. This cash is indefinitely reinvested in those jurisdictions. Cash balances and cash generation in the United States, along with the unused portion of our revolving credit facility, is sufficient to maintain liquidity and meet our obligations without being dependent on our foreign cash and earnings.

### Liquidity

Our principal internal sources of liquidity are cash and cash equivalents, as well as the cash flow that we generate from our operations. In addition, externally, we had \$135.0 million in borrowing capacity under our Credit Agreement at September 30, 2014. We believe that our existing cash, cash equivalents, cash generated from operations and available borrowings under our Credit Agreement will be sufficient to satisfy our currently anticipated cash requirements through at least the next 12 months and the foreseeable future thereafter. However, it is possible that one or more lenders under the revolving portion of the Credit Agreement may refuse or be unable to satisfy their commitment to lend to us or we may need to refinance our debt and be unable to do so. In addition, our liquidity could be negatively affected by a decrease in demand for our products and services. We may also make acquisitions and may need to raise additional capital through future debt financings or equity offerings to the extent necessary to fund such acquisitions, which we may not be able to do on a timely basis or on terms satisfactory to us or at all.

### Operating Activities

Net cash flows from operating activities primarily consists of net income adjusted for certain non-cash items, including depreciation, amortization, changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities, stock based compensation, and the effect of changes in working capital. Net cash flows from operating activities was \$47.6 million and \$40.8 million for the nine month periods ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Cash inflow from operations is driven by earnings and is dependent on the amount and timing of billings and cash collection from our customers. Additionally, the timing of tax payments impacted cash flows from operations.

### *Investing Activities*

During the nine month period ended September 30, 2014, cash used by investing activities was \$33.8 million compared to cash used of \$18.2 million in the nine month period ended September 30, 2013. Cash used by investing activities in the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 was primarily attributable to the \$26.4 million in cash used to purchase the business of OilCareers. Cash used by investing activities in the nine month period ended September 30, 2013 was primarily attributable to the \$12.3 million used to purchase The IT Job Board business, \$8.2 million used to purchase fixed assets, partially offset by \$2.2 million of sales of investments.

### *Financing Activities*

Cash used for financing activities during the nine month period ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 was \$25.4 million and \$16.5 million, respectively. The cash used during the current period was primarily due to \$26.9 million of payments to repurchase the Company's common stock and \$23.9 million used in repayment of long-term debt, offset by \$18.0 million in proceeds from long-term debt and \$8.0 million in proceeds from stock option exercises. During the nine month period ended September 30, 2013, the cash used was primarily due to \$35.0 million of payments to repurchase the Company's common stock, \$20.0 million used in repayment of long-term debt, partially offset by \$34.0 million in proceeds from long-term debt and proceeds from stock option exercises of \$3.1 million.

### **Credit Agreement**

In October 2013, we entered into a new Credit Agreement, which provides for a \$50.0 million term loan facility and a revolving loan facility of \$200.0 million, with both facilities maturing in October 2018. The Company borrowed \$65.0 million under the new Credit Agreement to repay in full all outstanding indebtedness under the previously existing credit facility dated June 2012, terminating that facility. A portion of the proceeds was also used to pay certain costs associated with the Credit Agreement and for working capital purposes.

Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest, at the Company's option, at a LIBOR rate or base rate plus a margin. The margin ranges from 1.75% to 2.50% on LIBOR loans and 0.75% to 1.50% on base rate loans, determined by the Company's most recent consolidated leverage ratio.

Quarterly payments of principal are required on the term loan facility, commencing in the first quarter of 2014. The facilities may be prepaid at any time without penalty and payments on the term loan facility result in a permanent reduction.

The Credit Agreement contains various customary affirmative and negative covenants and also contains certain financial covenants, including a consolidated leverage ratio and a consolidated interest coverage ratio. Negative covenants include restrictions on incurring certain liens; making certain payments, such as stock repurchases and dividend payments; making certain investments; making certain acquisitions; and incurring additional indebtedness. Restricted payments are allowed under the Credit Agreement to the extent the consolidated leverage ratio, calculated on a pro forma basis, is equal to or less than 2.0 to 1.0, plus an additional \$5.0 million of restricted payments. The Credit Agreement also provides that the payment of obligations may be accelerated upon the occurrence of customary events of default, including, but not limited to, non-payment, change of control, or insolvency. As of September 30, 2014, the Company was in compliance with all of the financial covenants under the Credit Agreement. Refer to Note 6 in our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources that is material to investors.

### **Commitments and Contingencies**

The following table presents certain minimum payments due and the estimated timing under contractual obligations with minimum firm commitments as of September 30, 2014:

	Payments due by period				
	Total	Less Than 1 Year	2-3 Years	4-5 Years	More Than 5 Years
			(in thousands)		
Credit Agreement	\$ 113,125	\$ 625	\$ 7,500	\$ 105,000	\$ —
Operating lease obligations	21,984	1,311	6,113	5,352	9,208
Total contractual obligations	<u>\$ 135,109</u>	<u>\$ 1,936</u>	<u>\$ 13,613</u>	<u>\$ 110,352</u>	<u>\$ 9,208</u>

We make commitments to purchase advertising from online vendors which we pay for on a monthly basis. We have no significant long-term obligations to purchase a fixed or minimum amount with these vendors.

Our principal commitments consist of obligations under operating leases for office space and equipment and long-term debt. As of September 30, 2014, we had \$113.1 million outstanding under our Credit Agreement. Interest payments are due quarterly or at varying, specified periods (to a maximum of three months) based on the type of loan (LIBOR or base rate loan) we choose. See Note 6 “Indebtedness” in our condensed consolidated financial statements for additional information related to our credit facility.

Future interest payments on our Credit Agreement are variable due to our interest rate being based on a LIBOR rate or a base rate. Assuming an interest rate of 2.19% (the rate in effect on September 30, 2014) on our current borrowings, interest payments are expected to be \$750,000 for October through December 2014, \$5.9 million during 2015 and 2016, and \$5.2 million during 2017 and 2018.

We have payments totaling \$4.0 million to be paid by January 2015 related to The IT Job Board acquisition based on achievement of certain financial measures. In October 2014, a final deferred purchase price payment of \$5.0 million related to the WorkDigital acquisition was made to the seller.

As of September 30, 2014, we recorded approximately \$3.5 million of unrecognized tax benefits as liabilities, and we are uncertain if or when such amounts may be settled. Related to the unrecognized tax benefits considered permanent differences, we have also recorded a liability for potential penalties and interest. Included in the balance of unrecognized tax benefits at September 30, 2014 are \$3.5 million of tax benefits that if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate. The Company believes it is reasonably possible that as much as \$696,000 of its unrecognized tax benefits may be recognized in the next twelve months as a result of a lapse of the statute of limitations.

## Cyclicality

The labor market and certain of the industries that we serve have historically experienced short-term cyclicality. However, we believe that the economic and strategic value provided by online career websites has led to an overall increase in the use of these services during the most recent labor market cycle. That increased usage has somewhat lessened the impact of cyclicality on our businesses as compared to traditional offline competitors.

Any slowdown in recruitment activity that occurs will negatively impact our revenues and results of operations. Alternatively, a decrease in the unemployment rate or a labor shortage, including as a result of an increase in job turnover, generally means that employers (including our customers) are seeking to hire more individuals, which would generally lead to more job postings and database licenses and have a positive impact on our revenues and results of operations. Based on historical trends, improvements in labor markets and the need for our services generally lag behind overall economic improvements. Additionally, there has historically been a lag from the time customers begin to increase purchases of our recruitment services and the impact to our revenues due to the recognition of revenue occurring over the length of the contract, which can be several months to a year.

The significant increase in the unemployment rate and general reduction in recruitment activity experienced in 2008 through 2009 is an example of how economic conditions can negatively impact our revenues and results of operations. During 2010 and the first half of 2011, we saw a significant improvement in recruitment activity, resulting in revenue and customer growth. From the second half of 2011 into 2014, we saw tougher market conditions in our finance segment and a less urgent recruiting environment for technology professionals. If recruitment activity continues to be slow in 2014 and beyond, our revenues and results of operations will be negatively impacted.

In our media businesses, advertisers can generally terminate their contracts with us at any time. Our advertisers' spending patterns tend to be cyclical, reflecting overall macroeconomic conditions, seasonality and company-specific budgeting and buying patterns. Our advertisers are also concentrated in the technology sector and the economic conditions in this sector also impact their spending decisions. Because we derive a large part of our Media revenue from these advertisers, decreases in or delays of advertising spending could reduce our revenue or negatively impact our results from operations.

### **Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk**

We have exposure to financial market risks, including changes in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates, and other relevant market prices.

#### **Foreign Exchange Risk**

We conduct business serving multiple markets, in three languages, mainly across Europe, Asia, Australia, and North America using the eFinancialCareers name. Rigzone, OilCareers, Slashdot Media, The IT Job Board and onTargetjobs also conduct business outside the United States. For the nine month periods ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, approximately 28% and 19% of our revenues, respectively, were earned outside the United States and collected in local currency. We are subject to risk for exchange rate fluctuations between such local currencies and the pound sterling and between local currencies and the United States dollar and the subsequent translation of the pound sterling to United States dollars. We currently do not hedge currency risk. A decrease in foreign exchange rates during a period would result in decreased amounts reported in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, Comprehensive Income, and of Cash Flows. For example, if foreign exchange rates between the pound sterling and United States dollar decreased by 1.0%, the impact on our revenues during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 would have been a decrease of approximately \$353,000.

The financial statements of our non-United States subsidiaries are translated into United States dollars using current exchange rates, with gains or losses included in the cumulative translation adjustment account, which is a component of stockholders' equity. As of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, our translation adjustment, net of tax, decreased stockholders' equity by \$9.6 million and \$6.1 million, respectively. The change from December 31, 2013 to September 30, 2014 is primarily attributable to the position of the United States dollar against the pound sterling.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

We have interest rate risk primarily related to borrowings under our Credit Agreement. Borrowings under our Credit Agreement bear interest, at our option, at a LIBOR rate or base rate plus a margin. The margin ranges from 1.75% to 2.50% on the LIBOR loans and 0.75% to 1.50% on the base rate, as determined by our most recent consolidated leverage ratio. As of September 30, 2014, we had outstanding borrowings of \$113.1 million under our Credit Agreement. If interest rates increased by 1.0%, interest expense in the remainder of 2014 on our current borrowings would increase by approximately \$283,000.

We also have interest rate risk related to our money market accounts. Our money market accounts will produce less income than expected if market interest rates fall.

### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

#### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

We have established a system of controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our periodic reports filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the Exchange Act and in the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). These disclosure controls and procedures have been evaluated under the direction of our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") for the period covered by this report. We acquired OilCareers in the first quarter of 2014. OilCareers represented approximately 7% of our total assets as of September 30, 2014 and 3% and 2% of our revenues for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2014, respectively. As the acquisition occurred during 2014, the scope of our assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting does not include OilCareers. This exclusion is in accordance with the SEC's general guidance that an assessment of a recently acquired business may be omitted from our scope in the year of acquisition. Based on such evaluations, our CEO and CFO have concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the SEC, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the CEO and CFO, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

### **Changes in Internal Controls**

In January 2014, we completed the initial phase of the implementation of a new global billing system, which upgrades our system capabilities and improves our business processes and financial reporting system, but full implementation of the system remains ongoing. The new system is expected to result in enhanced internal controls. Other than the continued implementation of our integrated enterprise platform (“IEP”) and global billing system, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) during the quarter ended September 30, 2014 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time we may be involved in disputes or litigation relating to claims arising out of our operations. We are currently not a party to any material pending legal proceedings.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors

We have disclosed under the heading “Risk Factors” in our Annual Report on Form 10-K the risk factors which materially affect our business, financial condition or results of operations. As of September 30, 2014 there have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed. You should carefully consider the risk factors set forth in the Annual Report on Form 10-K and the other information set forth elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. You should be aware that these risk factors and other information may not describe every risk facing our Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results.

### Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Our Board of Directors approved a stock repurchase program that permits the Company to repurchase our common stock. The following table summarizes the Stock Repurchase Plans approved by the Board of Directors:

	Stock Repurchase Plan		
	II	III	IV
Approval Date	March 2012	January 2013	December 2013
Authorized Repurchase Amount of Common Stock	\$65 million	\$50 million	\$50 million
Effective Dates	March 2012 to March 2013	April 2013 to December 2013	December 2013 to present

The Company is currently under Stock Repurchase Plan IV, which will be in effect for up to one year. Under each plan, management has discretion in determining the conditions under which shares may be purchased from time to time.

During the three months ended September 30, 2014, purchases of our common stock pursuant to Stock Repurchase Plan IV were as follows:

Period	(a) Total Number of Shares Purchased [1]	(b) Average Price Paid per Share	(c) Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	(d) Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
July 1 through July 31, 2014	185,000	\$ 7.73	185,000	\$ 29,234,000
August 1 through August 31, 2014	—	—	—	29,234,000
September 1 through September 30, 2014	871,207	8.32	871,207	21,987,000
Total	1,056,207	\$ 8.22	1,056,207	

[1] No shares of our common stock were purchased other than through a publicly announced plan or program, including the 500,000 shares that the Company repurchased from investment funds affiliated with General Atlantic LLC on September 5, 2014.

**Item 6. Exhibits**

10.01*	Purchase Agreement dated as of September 5, 2014, between Dice Holdings, Inc. as purchaser and the General Atlantic entities listed on Schedule I thereto as sellers.
31.1*	Certifications of Michael P. Durney, Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
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## SIGNATURES

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

Date: October 30, 2014

**DICE HOLDINGS, INC.**

Registrant

/S/ MICHAEL P. DURNEY

Michael P. Durney

President and Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

/S/ JOHN J. ROBERTS

John J. Roberts

Chief Financial Officer

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**PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

PURCHASE AGREEMENT, dated September 5, 2014 (this “Agreement”), among the sellers listed on Schedule I hereto, as sellers (collectively, the “Sellers” and, each a “Seller”), and Dice Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation, as Purchaser (the “Purchaser”).

WHEREAS, the Sellers have determined to effect a public offering (the “Public Offering”) of the Purchaser’s common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the “Common Stock”); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the consummation of the Public Offering, the Sellers wish to sell to Purchaser and the Purchaser wishes to purchase from Sellers shares of Common Stock.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1  
DEFINITIONS

1.1 Definitions. As used in this Agreement, and unless the context requires a different meaning, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

“Commission” means the Securities and Exchange Commission or any similar agency then having jurisdiction to enforce the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

“Governmental Authority” means the government of any nation, state, city, locality or other political subdivision of any thereof, any entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of or pertaining to government.

“Lien” means any mortgage, deed of trust, pledge, hypothecation, assignment, encumbrance, lien (statutory or other) or other security interest of any kind or nature whatsoever.

“Person” means any individual, firm, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, trust, incorporated or unincorporated association, joint venture, joint stock company, Governmental Authority or other entity of any kind.

“Public Offering Closing” means the closing of the sale of Common Stock in the Public Offering.

“Public Offering Price” means the price paid per share for the Common Stock in the Public Offering.

## ARTICLE 2

### PURCHASE AND SALE OF SHARES

2.1 Purchase and Sale. Subject to the terms herein set forth, at the Closing (as defined herein), each Seller agrees (severally and not jointly) to sell, convey, assign and transfer to Purchaser the number of shares of Common Stock set forth opposite such Seller’s name under the column entitled “Purchased Shares” on Schedule I to this Agreement (“Purchased Shares”), and the Purchaser agrees to purchase such Purchased Shares from such Seller for a purchase price per share equal to the Public Offering Price.

#### 2.2 Closing.

(a) The closing of the purchase of the Purchased Shares (the “Closing”) shall occur at the offices of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York, 10019 at the same time and date as the Public Offering Closing.

(b) At the Closing, (i) the Purchaser shall deliver to each Seller the purchase price for the Purchased Shares being purchased by the Purchaser from such Seller, by wire transfer of immediately available funds to a bank account designated in writing by such Seller, or via check to an address as designated in writing by such Seller, and (ii) each Seller shall deliver to the Purchaser a stock certificate or certificates (if then certificated) representing the Purchased Shares and a blank stock power duly endorsed or deliver the Purchased Shares in such other manner as the Purchaser shall elect.

#### 2.3 Conditions to Closing.

(a) The obligations of the Purchaser and each Seller to be performed at the Closing shall be conditioned upon the simultaneous or prior completion of the Public Offering Closing.

(b) The obligations of the Purchaser to be performed at the Closing shall be subject to the condition that the representations and warranties set forth in Article IV shall be true and correct as of the Closing as if then made.

(c) The obligations of each Seller to be performed at the Closing shall be subject to the condition that the representations and warranties of Purchaser set forth in Article III shall be true and correct as of the Closing as if then made.

### ARTICLE 3

#### REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE SELLERS

Each of the Sellers represents, warrants, and agrees, severally with respect to itself only, as of the date hereof as follows:

3.1 Capacity; Execution and Delivery; Enforceability. Such Seller has the legal capacity to execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. Such Seller has duly executed and delivered this Agreement and, assuming due execution and delivery by the Purchaser, each such agreement constitutes or will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Seller, enforceable against such Seller in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, fraudulent conveyance or transfer, moratorium or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by equitable principles relating to enforceability.

3.2 Title. As of the Closing, such Seller will own beneficially and of record and will have full power and authority to convey, free and clear of any Liens, the shares of Common Stock to be delivered at the Closing. Assuming Purchaser has the requisite power and authority to be the lawful owner of shares of Common Stock, upon such Seller's receipt of the applicable purchase price and the transfer of the Purchased Shares at the Closing, good, valid and marketable title to the Purchased Shares will pass to Purchaser, free and clear of any Liens.

3.3 No Conflicts. Neither the execution nor the delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby will conflict with or result in any violation of or constitute a default under any term of any material agreement,

mortgage, indenture, license, permit, lease, or other instrument, judgment, decree, order, law, or regulation by which Seller is bound.

#### ARTICLE 4

##### REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE PURCHASERS

The Purchaser makes the following representations and warranties for the benefit of the Sellers as of the date hereof:

4.1 Organization, Standing and Power. Purchaser is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is organized.

4.2 Authority; Execution and Delivery; Enforceability. Purchaser has the full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. The execution and delivery by Purchaser of this Agreement and the consummation by Purchaser of the transactions contemplated hereby have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of Purchaser and no other proceedings on the part of Purchaser are necessary to approve this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. Purchaser has duly executed and delivered this Agreement, and, assuming due execution and delivery by the Sellers, this Agreement constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of Purchaser, enforceable against Purchaser in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, fraudulent conveyance or transfer, moratorium or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by equitable principles relating to enforceability.

4.3 No Conflicts. Neither the execution nor the delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby will conflict with or result in any violation of or constitute a default under any term of any material agreement, mortgage, indenture, license, permit, lease, or other instrument, judgment, decree, order, law, or regulation by which the Purchaser is bound.

#### ARTICLE 5

##### MISCELLANEOUS

5.1 Notices. All notices or other communication required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall be delivered personally, telecopied or sent by certified, registered or express mail, postage prepaid. Any such notice shall be deemed

given when so delivered personally, telecopied or sent by certified, registered or express mail, as follows:

(a) if to a Seller to the address indicated below the name of such Seller on Schedule I hereto.

(b) If to the Purchaser, to:

1040 Avenue of the Americas, 16th Floor  
New York, NY 10018  
Telephone: (212) 448-6605  
Facsimile: (515) 313-2338  
Attention: General Counsel

With copies to:

Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP  
1285 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, NY 10019-6064  
Telephone: (212) 373-3000  
Facsimile: (212) 757-3990  
Attention: John C. Kennedy, Esq.

Any party may by notice given in accordance with this Section 5.1 designate another address or person for receipt of notices hereunder.

5.2 Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and permitted assigns of the parties hereto. No Person other than the parties hereto and their successors and permitted assigns is intended to be a beneficiary of this Agreement. No party hereto may assign its rights under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other parties hereto.

5.3 Amendment and Waiver.

(a) No failure or delay on the part of the Sellers or the Purchaser in exercising any right, power or remedy hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right, power or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy. The remedies provided for herein are cumulative and are not exclusive of any remedies that may be available to the Sellers or the Purchaser at law, in equity or otherwise.



(b) Any amendment, supplement or modification of or to any provision of this Agreement and any waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall be effective only if it is made or given in writing and signed by the Sellers and the Purchaser.

5.4 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, all of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and both of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

5.5 Headings. The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.

5.6 GOVERNING LAW. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CONFLICTS OF LAW PRINCIPLES THEREOF, EXCEPT FOR SECTION 5-1401 OF THE NEW YORK GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW. THE PARTIES HERETO IRREVOCABLY SUBMIT TO THE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF ANY STATE OR FEDERAL COURT SITTING IN THE COUNTY OF NEY YORK, IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK OVER ANY SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT THEY MAYEFFECTIVELY DO SO UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, THE PARTIES HERTO IRREVOCABLY WAIVE AND AGREE NOT TO ASSERT, BY WAY OF MOTION, AS A DEFENSE OR OTHERWISE, ANY CLAIM THAT THEY ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE JURISDICTION OF ANY SUCH COURT, ANY OBJECTION THAT THEYMAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE LAYING OF THE VENUE OF ANYSUCH SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT AND ANY CLAIM THAT ANY SUCH SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING BROUGHT IN ANY SUCH COURT HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM.

5.7 Severability. If any one or more of the provisions contained herein, or the application thereof in any circumstance, is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect for any reason, the validity, legality and enforceability of any such provision in every other respect and of the remaining provisions hereof shall not be in any way impaired, unless the provisions held invalid, illegal or unenforceable shall substantially impair the benefits of the remaining provisions hereof.

5.8 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, together with the schedules hereto are intended by the parties as a final expression of their agreement and intended to be a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement and understanding of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter contained herein and therein. There are no restrictions, promises, warranties or undertakings, other than those set forth or referred to herein or therein. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to such subject matter.

5.9 Further Assurances. Each of the parties shall execute such documents and perform such further acts (including, without limitation, obtaining any consents, exemptions, authorizations, or other actions by, or giving any notices to, or making any filings with, any Governmental Authority or any other Person) as may be reasonably required or desirable to carry out or to perform the provisions of this Agreement.

5.10 Termination. This Agreement shall terminate automatically without liability if the Purchaser determines at any time to cancel or otherwise abandon the Public Offering.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed and delivered by their respective officers hereunto duly authorized as of the date first above written.

**GENERAL ATLANTIC PARTNERS 79, L.P.**

By: General Atlantic LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Thomas J. Murphy  
Name: Thomas J. Murphy  
Title: Managing Director

**GENERAL ATLANTIC PARTNERS 84, L.P.**

By: General Atlantic GenPar, L.P.,  
its general partner

By: General Atlantic LLC,  
its general partner

By: /s/ Thomas J. Murphy  
Name: Thomas J. Murphy  
Title: Managing Director

**GAP-W HOLDINGS, L.P.**

By: General Atlantic GenPar, L.P.,  
its general partner

By: General Atlantic LLC,  
its general partner

By: /s/ Thomas J. Murphy  
Name: Thomas J. Murphy  
Title: Managing Director

**GAPSTAR, LLC**

By: /s/ Thomas J. Murphy  
Name: Thomas J. Murphy  
Title: Vice President

**GAP COINVESTMENTS CDA, L.P.**

By: General Atlantic LLC,  
its general partner

By: /s/ Thomas J. Murphy  
Name: Thomas J. Murphy  
Title: Managing Director

**GAP COINVESTMENTS III, LLC**

By: General Atlantic LLC,  
its general partner

By: /s/ Thomas J. Murphy  
Name: Thomas J. Murphy  
Title: Managing Director

**GAP COINVESTMENTS IV, LLC**

By: General Atlantic LLC,  
its general partner

By: /s/ Thomas J. Murphy  
Name: Thomas J. Murphy  
Title: Managing Director

**GAPCO GMBH & CO. KG**

By: GAPCO Management GmbH,  
its general partner

By: /s/ Thomas J. Murphy  
Name: Thomas J. Murphy  
Title: Managing Director

**Dice Holdings, Inc.**

**DICE HOLDINGS, INC.**

By: /s/ Brian Campbell  
Name: Brian Campbell  
Title: Vice President, Business and Legal Affairs  
and General Counsel

Schedule I

<b>Name and Address of Purchaser</b>	<b>Purchased Shares</b>
General Atlantic Partners 79, L.P. c/o General Atlantic Service Company, LLC 55 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10055	321,987
General Atlantic Partners 84, L.P. c/o General Atlantic Service Company, LLC 55 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10055	30,583
Gap-W Holdings, L.P. c/o General Atlantic Service Company, LLC 55 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10055	104,345
GapStar, LLC c/o General Atlantic Service Company, LLC 55 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10055	8,706
GAPCO GmbH & Co. KG c/o General Atlantic Service Company, LLC 55 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10055	789
GAP Coinvestments CDA, L.P. c/o General Atlantic Service Company, LLC 55 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10055	67
GAP Coinvestments III, LLC c/o General Atlantic Service Company, LLC 55 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10055	27,214
GAP Coinvestments IV, LLC c/o General Atlantic Service Company, LLC 55 East 52 <sup>nd</sup> Street, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10055	6,309

**CEO CERTIFICATION  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE  
SARBANES – OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Michael P. Durney, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Dice Holdings, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared; and
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for the external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; and
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 30, 2014

By: /s/ Michael P. Durney  
Michael P. Durney  
Chief Executive Officer  
Dice Holdings, Inc.



**CFO CERTIFICATION  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE  
SARBANES – OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, John J. Roberts, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10–Q of Dice Holdings, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared; and
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for the external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; and
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 30, 2014

By: /s/ John J. Roberts  
John J. Roberts  
Chief Financial Officer  
Dice Holdings, Inc.

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Dice Holdings, Inc. (the “Company”) on Form 10-Q for the period ending September 30, 2014 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”), I, Michael P. Durney, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to the best of my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m or 78o(d)); and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

October 30, 2014

/s/ Michael P. Durney

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Michael P. Durney  
Chief Executive Officer  
Dice Holdings, Inc.

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Dice Holdings, Inc. (the “Company”) on Form 10-Q for the period ending September 30, 2014 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”), I, John J. Roberts, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to the best of my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m or 78o(d)); and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

October 30, 2014

/s/ John J. Roberts

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John J. Roberts  
Chief Financial Officer  
Dice Holdings, Inc.