

RPX Announces Third Quarter 2014 Financial Results

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- RPX Corporation (NASDAQ: RPXC), the leading provider of patent risk management solutions, today announced its financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2014.

Financial Highlights

- Subscription revenue for the third quarter of fiscal 2014 was \$62.7 million, up 9% compared to \$57.8 million in the prior year period
- Client count for the third quarter of fiscal 2014 increased by eleven members bringing our total client network to 195 as of September 30, 2014

"We continue to build out the network and reduce patent risk for our clients. We are pleased with the recent developments around the business and look forward to closing out the year with further progress against our goals," said John A. Amster, Chief Executive and Co-founder of RPX Corporation.

Summary Results

Revenue for the third quarter was \$65.4 million, compared to \$58.6 million in the third quarter of 2013.

Net acquisition spend during the quarter totaled \$42.2 million, and included 19 new acquisitions of patent assets, in addition to the exercise of previously negotiated options to acquire licenses for new clients.

GAAP net income for the third quarter was \$10.8 million or \$0.20 per diluted share, compared to \$8.4 million or \$0.16 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2013.

Non-GAAP net income for the third quarter, which excludes stock-based compensation and the amortization of acquired intangibles (in each case, net of tax), was \$14.3 million or \$0.26 per pro forma diluted share^[1], compared to \$11.4 million or \$0.21 per pro forma diluted share^[1] in the third quarter of 2013.

As of September 30, 2014, RPX had cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments of \$303.1 million.

Business Outlook

This outlook reflects the Company's current and preliminary view and may be subject to change. Please see the paragraph regarding "Forward-Looking Statements" at the end of this news release.

The Company provided the following business outlook for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014:

Subscription revenue ^[2]	\$62.8 - \$63.4 million
Fee-related revenue	\$4.2 - \$6.2 million
Total revenue	\$67.0 - \$69.6 million
Net income (non-GAAP)	\$12.0 - \$13.7 million
Effective tax rate (non-GAAP)	37%
Pro forma weighted-average diluted shares outstanding	55.3 million

The Company provided the following business outlook for the full year 2014:

Subscription revenue ^[2]	\$250.6 - \$251.2 million
Fee-related revenue	\$8.0 - \$10 million
Total revenue	\$258.6 - \$261.2 million
Cost of revenue (non-GAAP)	\$124.5 - \$125.5 million
SG&A (non-GAAP)	\$52.0 - \$52.8 million
Net income (non-GAAP)	\$52.0 - \$53.7 million
Effective tax rate (non-GAAP)	37%

The above outlook is forward-looking. Actual results may differ materially. Please refer to the information under the caption "Use of Non-GAAP Financial Information" below.

- [1] Pro forma diluted shares computed to give effect to the shares of restricted stock outstanding as of the original date of issuance.
- [2] Subscription revenue is comprised of revenue generated from membership subscription services and premiums earned from insurance policies.

Conference Call

RPX management will host a conference call and live webcast for analysts and investors at 2:00 p.m. PDT/5:00 p.m. EDT on October 28, 2014. Parties in the United States and Canada can access the call by dialing 1-888-572-7033, using conference code 3976582. International parties can access the call by dialing 1-719-325-2469, using conference code 3976582.

RPX will offer a live webcast of the conference call which can be accessed from the "Investor Relations" section of the Company's website at http://ir.rpxcorp.com. An audio replay of the conference call will also be available approximately two hours after the call and will be available for 30 days. To hear the replay, parties in the United States and Canada should call 1-888-203-1112 and enter conference code 3976582. International parties should call 1-719-457-0820 and enter conference code 3976582.

About RPX Corporation

RPX Corporation (NASDAQ: RPXC) is the leading provider of patent risk solutions, offering defensive buying, acquisition syndication, patent intelligence, insurance services, and advisory services. Since its founding in 2008, RPX has introduced efficiency to the patent market by providing a rational alternative to litigation. The San Francisco-based company's pioneering approach combines principal capital, deep patent expertise, and client contributions to generate enhanced patent buying power. By acquiring patents and patent rights, RPX helps to mitigate and manage patent risk for its growing client network.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Information

This news release dated October 28, 2014 contains non-GAAP financial measures. Tables are provided in this news release that reconcile the non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable financial measures prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). These non-GAAP financial measures include non-GAAP cost of revenue, non-GAAP selling, general and administrative expenses, non-GAAP net income, and non-GAAP net income per share.

To supplement the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements presented on a GAAP basis, management believes that these non-GAAP measures provide useful information about the Company's core operating results and thus are appropriate to enhance the overall understanding of the Company's past financial performance and its prospects for the future. Management is excluding from its non-GAAP operating results stock-based compensation expenses (inclusive of related employer payroll taxes), the amortization of acquired intangible assets (other than patents) and related tax effects. Management uses these non-GAAP measures to evaluate the Company's financial results, and believes these non-GAAP measures may prove useful to investors who wish to consider the impact of certain items when comparing the Company's financial performance with that of other companies. The adjustments to the Company's GAAP results are made with the intent of providing both management and investors a more complete understanding of the Company's underlying operational results, trends and performance. The presentation of additional information should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for or superior to financial results determined in accordance with GAAP.

Forward-Looking Statements

This news release and its attachments contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements include statements regarding the future financial performance of RPX as well as any statements regarding the Company's strategic and operational plans. The Company's actual results may differ materially from those predicted or implied in these forward-looking statements. Factors that may contribute to such differences include, among others, the Company's ability to maintain an adequate rate of growth, the success of the Company's insurance business and other new initiatives, and the Company's ability to attract new clients and retain existing clients. Forward-looking statements are often identified by the use of words such as, but not limited to, "anticipate," "believe," "can," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "project," "seek," "should," "target," "will," "would," and similar expressions or variations intended to identify forward-looking statements. More information about potential factors that could affect the Company's business and financial results is included under the captions "Risk

Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the Company's most recent annual report on Form 10-K and its quarterly reports on Form 10-Q on file and available at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. The Company does not intend, and undertakes no duty, to update any forward-looking statements to reflect future events or circumstances.

RPX Corporation Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except per share data)

(unaudited)

Three	Months	Ended	Sent	ember

	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	30,	Nine Months En	ded September 30,
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Revenue	\$ 65,407	\$ 58,554	\$ 191,588	\$ 177,229
Cost of revenue	30,444	29,766	90,906	78,130
Selling, general and administrative expenses	17,786	15,584	53,620	45,793
(Gain) loss on sale of patent assets, net	(8)		(707)	126
Operating income	17,185	13,204	47,769	53,180
Other income, net	73	56	266	170
Income before provision for income taxes	17,258	13,260	48,035	53,350
Provision for income taxes	6,425	4,863	17,943	19,561
Net income	\$ 10,833	\$ 8,397	\$ 30,092	\$ 33,789
Net income available to common stockholders:	\$ 10,833	\$ 8,395	\$ 30,092	\$ 33,767
Net income available to common stockholders per common share:				
Basic	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.65
Diluted	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.63
Weighted-average shares used in computing net income available to common stockholders per common share:				
Basic	53,773	52,267	53,263	51,751
Diluted	55,029	54,055	54,742	53,415

RPX Corporation Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Septe	ember 30, 2014	December 31, 2013		
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	83,326	\$	100,155	
Short-term investments		219,804		190,567	
Restricted cash		660		364	
Accounts receivable		21,572		38,477	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		17,381		10,546	
Deferred tax assets		4,136		3,817	
Total current assets		346,879		343,926	
Patent assets, net		248,051		219,954	
Property and equipment, net		4,214		4,667	
Intangible assets, net		3,962		1,718	
Goodwill		19,978		16,460	
Restricted cash, less current portion		1,091		1,454	
Other assets		785	-	622	
Total assets	\$	624,960	\$	588,801	
Liabilities and stockholders' equity					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	596	\$	332	
Accrued liabilities		10,993		8,784	
Deferred revenue		110,874		131,808	
Deferred payment obligations		_		500	

Other current liabilities	13,316	 1,638	
Total current liabilities	135,779	143,062	
Deferred revenue, less current portion	1,946	5,935	
Deferred tax liabilities	11,846	11,654	
Other liabilities	 3,043	 3,227	_
Total liabilities	 152,614	 163,878	
Stockholders' equity:			
Common stock	5	5	
Additional paid-in capital	322,774	305,343	
Retained earnings	149,619	119,527	
Accumulated other comprehensive income	(52)	 48	
Total stockholders' equity	 472,346	 424,923	_
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 624,960	\$ 588,801	

RPX Corporation Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands) (unaudited)

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 2014 Cash flows from operating activities \$ 30,092 Net income \$ 33,789 Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: 89,700 76,767 Depreciation and amortization Stock-based compensation 13,353 12,081 Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation (2,394)(2,752)(Gain) loss on sale of patent assets (707)126 Amortization of premium on investments 5,031 4,496 (2,772)Deferred taxes (1,797)Other (500)13 Changes in assets and liabilities, net of business acquired: Accounts receivable 17,227 5,259 Other receivables 33,775 Prepaid expenses and other assets (8.833)(6.392)Accounts payable 264 143 Accrued and other liabilities 1,507 1,134 Deferred revenue (25,023)859 Net cash provided by operating activities 117,920 156,526 Cash flows from investing activities Purchases of investments classified as available-for-sale (176, 209)(134, 155)Maturities of investments classified as available-for-sale 146,225 115,122 Sales of investments classified as available-for-sale 1,099 Business acquisition, net of cash (2,286)(1,818)Decrease in restricted cash 67 Purchases of property and equipment (1,084)(2,073)Acquisitions of patent assets (103,958)(82,751)Proceeds from sale of patent assets 1,086 100 (104,476)Net cash used in investing activities (136, 159)Cash flows from financing activities Proceeds from exercise of stock options and other common stock issuances 2,864 4,174 Tax withholdings related to net share settlements of restricted stock units (3,848)Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation 2,394 2,752 Net cash provided by financing activities 1,410 6,926 Net increase in cash and cash equivalents (16,829)58,976 Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period 100,155 73,638

Cash and cash equivalents at end of period

\$

83,326

132,614

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended Septemb			tember 30,	
		2014		2013		2014		2013
Net income	\$	10,833	\$	8,397	\$	30,092	\$	33,789
Pro forma net income per share:								
Basic	\$	0.20	\$	0.16	\$	0.56	\$	0.65
Diluted	\$	0.20	\$	0.16	\$	0.55	\$	0.63
Shares used in computing pro forma net income per share: Basic:								
Basic weighted-average common shares		53,773		52,267		53,263		51,751
Add: Restricted stock				13				34
Shares used in computing pro forma basic net income per share		53,773		52,280		53,263	. <u> </u>	51,785
Diluted:								
Diluted weighted-average common shares		55,029		54,055		54,742		53,415
Add: Restricted stock				13				34
Shares used in computing pro forma diluted net income per share		55,029		54,068		54,742		53,449

RPX Corporation Reconciliation of GAAP to Pro Forma Non-GAAP Net Income Per Share (in thousands, except per share data)

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nir	e Months E	nded Se	ed September 30,	
		2014	_	2013		2014		2013
Net income	\$	10,833	\$	8,397	\$	30,092	\$	33,789
Stock-based compensation ^[1]		4,613		4,017		13,694		12,453
Amortization of acquired intangible assets ^[2]		478		351		1,040		1,069
Income tax adjustments ^[3]		(1,648)		(1,396)		(4,890)		(4,357)
Non-GAAP net income	\$	14,276	\$	11,369	\$	39,936	\$	42,954
Pro forma non-GAAP net income per share:								
Basic	\$	0.27	\$	0.22	\$	0.75	\$	0.83
Diluted	\$	0.26	\$	0.21	\$	0.73	\$	0.80
Shares used in computing pro forma net income per share:								
Basic		53,773		52,280		53,263		51,785
Diluted		55,029		54,068		54,742		53,449

RPX Corporation Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Cost of Revenue (in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,					Nine Months Ended September 3			
	2014		2014 2013		2014		2013		
Cost of revenue	\$	30,444	\$	29,766	\$	90,906	\$	78,130	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets ^[2]		(67)		(56)		(170)		(168)	
Non-GAAP cost of revenue	\$	30,377	\$	29,710	\$	90,736	\$	77,962	

RPX Corporation Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Selling, General and Administrative Expenses (in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2014		2013		2014		2013	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$	17,786	\$	15,584	\$	53,620	\$	45,793
Stock-based compensation ^[1]		(4,613)		(4,017)		(13,694)		(12,453)

Amortization of acquired intangible assets ^[2]	(411)	(295)	(870)	(901)
Non-GAAP selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 12,762	\$ 11,272	\$ 39,056	\$ 32,439

RPX Corporation Additional Metrics (in thousands, except client and headcount data)

(unaudited)

	As of and for the Three Months Ended September 30,							
Operating Metrics		2014		2013				
Number of clients		195	'	160				
Net additions		11		3				
Trailing four quarters		35		32				
Gross acquisition spend	\$	59,960	\$	20,591				
Trailing four quarters	\$	178,508	\$	195,488				
Net acquisition spend	\$	42,210	\$	17,591				
Trailing four quarters	\$	156,008	\$	109,288				
Full time equivalent headcount		149		136				
	As of a	nd for the Three M	onths Ended	September 30,				
Financial Metrics		2014		2013				
Subscription revenue ^[4]	\$	62,749	\$	57,829				
Fee-related revenue		2,658		725				
Total revenue	\$	65,407	\$	58,554				
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$	303,130	\$	277,607				
Deferred revenue, current and noncurrent	\$	112,820	\$	105,230				

- RPX excludes stock-based compensation and related employer payroll taxes from its non-GAAP financial measures.
- RPX excludes amortization expense related to intangible assets (other than patents) acquired in conjunction with the acquisition of businesses from its non-GAAP financial measures.
- Amount reflects income taxes associated with the above noted non-GAAP exclusions.
- Subscription revenue is comprised of revenue generated from membership subscription services and premiums earned from insurance policies.

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