UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: May 9, 2024 (Date of earliest event reported)

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 000-27275 (Commission File Number) 04-3432319 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

145 Broadway Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 444-3000

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☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)										
Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)										
☐ Pre-commencement communications pu	ursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17	CFR 240.14d-2(b))								
☐ Pre-commencement communications pu	ursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17	CFR 240.13e-4(c))								
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12	2(b) of the Act:									
Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered								
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	AKAM	Nasdaq Global Select Market								
	t is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 4 ange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).	405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this								
	check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the vided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.	extended transition period for complying with any new $\hfill\Box$								

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On May 9, 2024, Akamai Technologies, Inc. announced its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2024. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information provided under this Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

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

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release dated May 9, 2024
104	Cover page interactive data file (the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURES

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

Dated: May 9, 2024 AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

/s/ Edward McGowan

Edward McGowan

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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AKAMAI REPORTS FIRST QUARTER 2024 FINANCIAL RESULTS

First quarter revenue of \$987 million, up 8% year-over-year and when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Security and compute revenue represented 64% of total revenue in the first quarter and combined grew 22% year-over-year and when adjusted for foreign exchange*

GAAP net income per diluted share of \$1.11, up 79% year-over-year and up 81% when adjusted for foreign exchange*, and non-GAAP net income per diluted share* of \$1.64, up 17% year-over-year and up 18% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Board of directors authorizes a new, three-year, \$2.0 billion share repurchase program

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. – May 9, 2024 – Akamai Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: AKAM), the cloud company that powers and protects life online, today reported financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2024.

"We are pleased with our continuing execution on our long-term strategy to drive revenue growth in our security and compute solutions," said Dr. Tom Leighton, Akamai's Chief Executive Officer. "Both solutions had a strong start to 2024 and collectively grew more than 20% year-over-year, representing almost two-thirds of total revenue. We're particularly excited about our planned acquisition of Noname Security, which will enhance Akamai's existing API Security solution and accelerate our ability to meet growing customer demand."

Akamai delivered the following results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2024:

Revenue: Revenue was \$987 million, an 8% increase over first quarter 2023 revenue of \$916 million and an 8% increase when adjusted for foreign exchange.*

Revenue by solution:

- · Security revenue was \$491 million, up 21% year-over-year and when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Delivery revenue was \$352 million, down 11% year-over-year and down 10% when adjusted for foreign exchange*
- Compute revenue was \$145 million, up 25% year-over-year and when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Revenue by geography:

- U.S. revenue was \$512 million, up 8% year-over-year
- International revenue was \$475 million, up 7% year-over-year and up 8% when adjusted for foreign exchange*

Income from operations: GAAP income from operations was \$167 million, a 32% increase from first quarter 2023. GAAP operating margin for the first quarter was 17%, up 3 percentage points from the same period last year.

Non-GAAP income from operations* was \$292 million, an 11% increase from first quarter 2023. Non-GAAP operating margin* for the first quarter was 30%, up 1 percentage point from the same period last year.

Net income: GAAP net income was \$175 million, an 81% increase from first quarter 2023. Non-GAAP net income* was \$255 million, a 17% increase from first quarter 2023.

EPS: GAAP net income per diluted share was \$1.11, a 79% increase from first quarter 2023 and an 81% increase when adjusted for foreign exchange.* Non-GAAP net income per diluted share* was \$1.64, a 17% increase from first quarter 2023 and an 18% increase when adjusted for foreign exchange.*

Adjusted EBITDA*: Adjusted EBITDA* was \$417 million, an 11% increase from first quarter 2023.

Supplemental cash information: Cash from operations for the first quarter of 2024 was \$352 million, or 36% of revenue. Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities was \$2.3 billion as of March 31, 2024.

Share repurchases: The Company spent \$125 million in the first quarter of 2024 to repurchase 1.1 million shares of its common stock at an average price of \$109.79 per share. The Company had 152 million shares of common stock outstanding as of March 31, 2024.

Share repurchase program: The Company also announces today that its board of directors has authorized a new, \$2.0 billion share repurchase program, effective from today through June 30, 2027. The new authorization is in addition to the Company's remaining stock purchase authorization of \$412 million (as of March 31, 2024), which expires at the end of 2024. The Company's goals for the share repurchase program are to offset the dilution created by its employee equity compensation programs over time and provide the flexibility to return capital to shareholders as business and market conditions warrant, while still preserving its ability to pursue other strategic opportunities.

The timing and amount of any shares repurchased will be determined by the Company's management based upon the evaluation of market conditions and other factors. Repurchases will be executed in the open market subject to Rule 10b-18, and may also be made under a Rule 10b5-1 plan, which would permit the Company to repurchase shares when the Company might otherwise be precluded from doing so under insider trading laws. Other structured repurchase programs may be considered from time to time. The Company may choose to suspend, expand or discontinue the repurchase program at any time.

Financial guidance:

"Our updated full year 2024 guidance reflects the impacts of the strengthening U.S. dollar, a large social media customer optimizing costs and slowing traffic growth across the industry," said Ed McGowan, Akamai's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. "It also reflects increased full year expectations for our security and compute solutions."

The Company reports the following financial guidance for the second quarter and full year 2024:

		Three Mo June 3					Ended er 31, 2024		
	L	Low End High End				Low End		High End	
Revenue (in millions)	\$	967	\$	986	\$	3,950	\$	4,020	
Security revenue growth rates year-over-year *						15 %		17 %	
Compute revenue growth rates year-over-year *						21 %		23 %	
Non-GAAP operating margin *		28 %		29 %		28 %		29 %	
Non-GAAP net income per diluted share *	\$	1.51	\$	1.56	\$	6.20	\$	6.40	
Non-GAAP tax rate*		19.0 %		19.5 %		19.0 %		19.5 %	
Shares used in non-GAAP per diluted share calculations * (in millions)		155		155		155		155	
Capex as a percentage of revenue *		18 %		19 %		16 %		16 %	

This guidance is provided on a non-GAAP basis and cannot be reconciled to the closest GAAP measures without unreasonable effort because of the unpredictability of the amounts and timing of events affecting the items Akamai excludes from non-GAAP measures. For example, stock-based compensation is unpredictable for Akamai's performance-based awards, which can fluctuate significantly based on current expectations of the future achievement of performance-based targets. Amortization of intangible assets, acquisition-related costs and restructuring costs are all impacted by the timing and size of potential future actions, which are difficult to predict. In addition, from time to time, Akamai excludes certain items that occur infrequently, which are also inherently difficult to predict and estimate. It is also difficult to predict the tax effect of the items Akamai excludes and to estimate certain discrete tax items, such as the resolution of tax audits or changes to tax laws. As such, the costs that are being excluded from non-GAAP guidance are difficult to predict and a reconciliation or a range of results could lead to

disclosure that would be imprecise or potentially misleading. Material changes to any one of the exclusions could have a significant effect on our guidance and future GAAP results.

Quarterly Conference Call

Akamai will host a conference call today at 4:30 p.m. ET that can be accessed through 1-833-634-5020 (or 1-412-902-4238 for international calls) and using passcode Akamai Technologies call. A live webcast of the call may be accessed at www.akamai.com in the Investor Relations section. In addition, a replay of the call will be available for two weeks following the conference by calling 1-877-344-7529 (or 1-412-317-0088 for international calls) and using passcode 6371585. The archived webcast of this event may be accessed through the Akamai website.

About Akamai

Akamai powers and protects life online. Leading companies worldwide choose Akamai to build, deliver, and secure their digital experiences – helping billions of people live, work, and play every day. Akamai Connected Cloud, a massively distributed edge and cloud platform, puts apps and experiences closer to users and keeps threats farther away. Learn more about Akamai's cloud computing, security, and content delivery solutions at akamai.com and akamai.com/blog, or follow Akamai Technologies on X, formerly known as Twitter, and LinkedIn.

^{*} See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for definitions

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands)		March 31, 2024	D	ecember 31, 2023
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	467,717	\$	489,468
Marketable securities		1,206,971		374,971
Accounts receivable, net		716,638		724,302
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		233,853		216,114
Total current assets		2,625,179		1,804,855
Marketable securities		582,023		1,431,354
Property and equipment, net		1,864,307		1,825,944
Operating lease right-of-use assets		947,049		908,634
Acquired intangible assets, net		512,554		536,143
Goodwill		2,846,535		2,850,470
Deferred income tax assets		430,428		418,297
Other assets		127,531		124,340
Total assets	\$	9,935,606	\$	9,900,037
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	134,677	\$	146,927
Accrued expenses		291,986		352,181
Deferred revenue		142,527		107,544
Operating lease liabilities		232,731		222,944
Other current liabilities		7,017		6,442
Total current liabilities		808,938		836,038
Deferred revenue		20,929		23,006
Deferred income tax liabilities		24,977		24,622
Convertible senior notes		3,540,120		3,538,229
Operating lease liabilities		800,107		774,806
Other liabilities	_	106,768		106,181
Total liabilities		5,301,839		5,302,882
Total stockholders' equity		4,633,767		4,597,155
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	9,935,606	\$	9,900,037

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	Three Months Ended						
(in thousands, except per share data)	 March 31, 2024	I	December 31, 2023		March 31, 2023		
Revenue	\$ 986,970	\$	995,017	\$	915,698		
Costs and operating expenses:							
Cost of revenue (1)(2)	394,743		393,397		361,316		
Research and development (1)	116,932		109,202		91,863		
Sales and marketing (1)	134,570		135,256		129,107		
General and administrative (1)(2)	152,430		155,575		146,139		
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	21,023		16,833		15,912		
Restructuring charge (benefit)	544		(32)		44,723		
Total costs and operating expenses	820,242		810,231		789,060		
Income from operations	 166,728		184,786		126,638		
Interest and marketable securities income, net	27,841		23,981		5,292		
Interest expense	(6,818)		(6,884)		(2,681)		
Other income (expense), net	511		(5,642)		(2,363)		
Income before provision for income taxes	 188,262		196,241		126,886		
Provision for income taxes	(12,844)		(35,076)		(29,780)		
Net income	\$ 175,418	\$	161,165	\$	97,106		
Net income per share:							
Basic	\$ 1.16	\$	1.07	\$	0.62		
Diluted	\$ 1.11	\$	1.03	\$	0.62		
Shares used in per share calculations:							
Basic	151,628		150,979		155,637		
Diluted	157,466		157,024		156,135		

Includes stock-based compensation (see supplemental table for figures)
 Includes depreciation and amortization (see supplemental table for figures)

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023	March 31, 2023	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$ 175,41	8 \$ 161,165	\$ 97,106	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	156,18	3 147,634	135,457	
Stock-based compensation	93,26	0 92,123	61,883	
(Benefit) provision for deferred income taxes	(10,46	7) (13,224)	4,925	
Amortization of debt issuance costs	1,68	2 1,741	1,098	
Gain on investments	-		(174)	
Other non-cash reconciling items, net	2,06	2 5,019	21,602	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions:				
Accounts receivable	(73	6) (2,941)	(25,251)	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(26,01	6) (2,623)	(26,009)	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(66,94	9) 20,345	(97,263)	
Deferred revenue	34,31	6 (24,098)	36,449	
Other current liabilities	35	6 (774)	25,834	
Other non-current assets and liabilities	(7,23	1) 4,826	(2,158)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	351,87	8 389,193	233,499	
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Cash paid for business acquisition, net of cash acquired	-		(20,070)	
Cash paid for asset acquisitions	-	- (84,637)	_	
Purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs	(173,75	4) (133,887)	(222,245)	
Purchases of short- and long-term marketable securities	(170,01	9) (277,053)	(134,191)	
Proceeds from sales, maturities and redemptions of short- and long-term marketable securities	182,25	5 178,382	276,886	
Other, net	9,93	5 1,362	(20,268)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(151,58	3) (315,833)	(119,888)	
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from the issuance of common stock under stock plans	20,31	0 13,426	21,257	
Employee taxes paid related to net share settlement of stock-based awards	(109,33	-	(29,894)	
Repurchases of common stock	(125,44	9) (54,891)	(348,600)	
Other, net	(1,50	, , ,	(52)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(215,98	1) (56,777)	(357,289)	
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(4,01	3) 11,597	2,297	
Net (decrease) increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(19,69		(241,381)	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period	490,47	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	543,022	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	\$ 470,77		\$ 301,641	

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA – REVENUE BY SOLUTION

	Three Months Ended					
(in thousands)		March 31, 2024		December 31, 2023		March 31, 2023
Security	\$	490,681	\$	470,977	\$	405,552
Delivery		351,758		389,048		394,384
Compute		144,531		134,992		115,762
Total revenue	\$	986,970	\$	995,017	\$	915,698
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:						
Security		21 %	18 %		18 %	
Delivery		(11)		(6)		(11)
Compute		25		20		49
Total revenue		8 %		7 %	<u> </u>	
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates ⁽¹⁾ :	<u>-</u>					
Security		21 %		17 %		9 %
Delivery		(10)		(7)		(9)
Compute		25	20			51
Total revenue		8 %		7 %		4 %

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE DATA – REVENUE BY GEOGRAPHY

	Three Months Ended						
(in thousands)		March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023		March 31, 2023		
U.S.	\$	512,347	\$	516,348	\$	473,833	
International		474,623		478,669		441,865	
Total revenue	\$	986,970	\$	995,017	\$	915,698	
Revenue growth rates year-over-year:							
U.S.		8 %		7 %		(1)%	
International		7		8		5	
Total revenue		8 %		7 %		1 %	
Revenue growth rates year-over-year, adjusted for the impact of foreign exchange rates $^{(1)}$:							
U.S.		8 %		7 %		(1)%	
International		8		6		9	
Total revenue		8 %		7 %		4 %	

⁽¹⁾ See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for a definition

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

	Three Months Ended							
(in thousands, except end of period statistics)		March 31, 2024				December 31, 2023		March 31, 2023
Stock-based compensation:								
Cost of revenue	\$	12,618	\$	11,898	\$	9,329		
Research and development		38,045		36,428		21,844		
Sales and marketing		18,811		17,895		13,545		
General and administrative		23,786		25,902		17,165		
Total stock-based compensation	\$	93,260	\$	92,123	\$	61,883		
Depreciation and amortization:								
Network-related depreciation	\$	65,675	\$	63,225	\$	52,176		
Capitalized internal-use software development amortization		43,632		43,919		43,477		
Other depreciation and amortization		16,030		16,170		16,234		
Depreciation of property and equipment		125,337		123,314		111,887		
Capitalized stock-based compensation amortization (1)		9,712		7,379		7,533		
Capitalized interest expense amortization (1)		111		108		125		
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		21,023		16,833		15,912		
Total depreciation and amortization	\$	156,183	\$	147,634	\$	135,457		
Capital expenditures, excluding stock-based compensation and interest expense (2) (3)) <u>:</u>							
Purchases of property and equipment	\$	74,635	\$	80,408	\$	157,530		
Capitalized internal-use software development costs		77,491		62,355		66,264		
Total capital expenditures, excluding stock-based compensation and interest expense	\$	152,126	\$	142,763	\$	223,794		
Capex as a percentage of revenue (3)		15 %		14 %		24 %		
End of period statistics:								
Number of employees		10,533		10,281		9,960		

⁽¹⁾ Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and interest expense in this table excludes amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and interest expense capitalized related to cloud-computing arrangements and contract fulfillment costs. However, the amounts are included in our total amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and interest expense that is excluded from our non-GAAP measures (see reconciliations of GAAP to non-GAAP measures).

(2) Capitalized stock-based compensation and interest expense that is excluded from our non-GAAP measures (see reconciliations of GAAP to non-GAAP measures).

two is the change in purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs accrued for, but not paid, at period end versus prior periods.

⁽³⁾ See Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures below for a definition

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP INCOME FROM OPERATIONS, NET INCOME AND TAX RATE

	Three Months E							
(in thousands)	March 31, 2024		I	December 31, 2023		March 31, 2023		
Income from operations	\$	166,728	\$	184,786	\$	126,638		
GAAP operating margin		17 %		19 %		14 %		
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		21,023		16,833		15,912		
Stock-based compensation		93,260		92,123		61,883		
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and capitalized interest expense		10,123		7,774		7,913		
Restructuring charge (benefit)		544		(32)		44,723		
Acquisition-related costs		172		1,189		6,768		
Operating adjustments	· ·	125,122		117,887		137,199		
Non-GAAP income from operations	\$	291,850	\$	302,673	\$	263,837		
Non-GAAP operating margin		30 %		30 %		29 %		
Net income	\$	175,418	\$	161,165	\$	97,106		
Operating adjustments (from above)		125,122		117,887		137,199		
Amortization of debt issuance costs		1,682		1,741		1,098		
Gain on investments		_		_		(174)		
Income tax effect of above non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items		(46,727)		(18,162)		(16,915)		
Non-GAAP net income	\$	255,495	\$	262,631	\$	218,314		
GAAP tax rate		7 %		18 %		23 %		
Income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items		12		(1)		(5)		
Non-GAAP tax rate		19 %		17 %		18 %		

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP NET INCOME PER DILUTED SHARE

	Three Months Ended					
(in thousands, except per share data)		March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023		March 31, 2023	
GAAP net income per diluted share	\$	1.11	\$ 1.03	\$	0.62	
Adjustments to net income:						
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		0.13	0.11		0.10	
Stock-based compensation		0.59	0.59		0.40	
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and capitalized interest expense		0.06	0.05		0.05	
Restructuring charge (benefit)			_		0.29	
Acquisition-related costs		_	0.01		0.04	
Amortization of debt issuance costs		0.01	0.01		0.01	
Gain on investments		_	_		_	
Income tax effect of above non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items		(0.30)	(0.12)		(0.11)	
Adjustment for shares (1)		0.02	0.02		_	
Non-GAAP net income per diluted share	\$	1.64	\$ 1.69	\$	1.40	
Shares used in GAAP per diluted share calculations		157,466	157,024		156,135	
Impact of benefit from note hedge transactions (1)		(2,114)	(1,755)		_	
Shares used in non-GAAP per diluted share calculations (1)		155,352	155,269		156,135	

⁽¹⁾ Shares used in non-GAAP per diluted share calculations have been adjusted for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 for the benefit of Akamai's note hedge transactions. During those periods, Akamai's average stock price was in excess of \$95.10, which is the initial conversion price of Akamai's convertible senior notes due in 2025. See *Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures* below for further definition.

AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. RECONCILIATION OF GAAP NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED EBITDA

	Three Months Ended									
(in thousands)		March 31, 2024						December 31, 2023		March 31, 2023
Net income	\$	175,418	\$	161,165	\$	97,106				
Net income margin		18 %		16 %		11 %				
Interest and marketable securities income, net		(27,841)		(23,981)		(5,292)				
Provision for income taxes		12,844		35,076		29,780				
Depreciation and amortization		125,337		123,314		111,887				
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation and capitalized interest expense	:	10,123		7,774		7,913				
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		21,023		16,833		15,912				
Stock-based compensation		93,260		92,123		61,883				
Restructuring charge (benefit)		544		(32)		44,723				
Acquisition-related costs		172		1,189		6,768				
Interest expense		6,818		6,884		2,681				
Gain on investments		_		_		(174)				
Other (income) expense, net		(511)		5,642		2,537				
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	417,187	\$	425,987	\$	375,724				
Adjusted EBITDA margin		42 %		43 %		41 %				

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to providing financial measurements based on generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (GAAP), Akamai provides additional financial metrics that are not prepared in accordance with GAAP (non-GAAP financial measures). Management uses non-GAAP financial measures, in addition to GAAP financial measures, to understand and compare operating results across accounting periods, for financial and operational decision making, for planning and forecasting purposes, to measure executive compensation and to evaluate Akamai's financial performance. These non-GAAP financial measures are non-GAAP income from operations, non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP net income, non-GAAP net income per diluted share, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA margin, non-GAAP tax rate, capital expenditures and impact of foreign currency exchange rates, as discussed below.

Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures reflect Akamai's ongoing business in a manner that allows for meaningful comparisons and analysis of trends in the business, as they facilitate comparison of financial results across accounting periods and to those of our peer companies. Management also believes that these non-GAAP financial measures enable investors to evaluate Akamai's operating results and future prospects in the same manner as management. These non-GAAP financial measures may exclude expenses and gains that may be unusual in nature, infrequent or not reflective of Akamai's ongoing operating results.

The non-GAAP financial measures do not replace the presentation of Akamai's GAAP financial measures and should only be used as a supplement to, not as a substitute for, Akamai's financial results presented in accordance with GAAP. Akamai has provided a reconciliation of each non-GAAP financial measure used in its financial reporting and investor presentations to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. This reconciliation captioned "Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures" can be found on the Investor Relations section of Akamai's website.

The non-GAAP adjustments, and Akamai's basis for excluding them from non-GAAP financial measures, are outlined below:

- Amortization of acquired intangible assets Akamai has incurred amortization of intangible assets, included in its GAAP financial statements, related to various acquisitions Akamai has made. The amount of an acquisition's purchase price allocated to intangible assets and term of its related amortization can vary significantly and is unique to each acquisition; therefore, Akamai excludes amortization of acquired intangible assets from its non-GAAP financial measures to provide investors with a consistent basis for comparing pre- and post-acquisition operating results.
- Stock-based compensation and amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation Although stock-based compensation is an important aspect of the compensation paid to Akamai's employees, the grant date fair value varies based on the stock price at the time of grant, varying valuation methodologies, subjective assumptions and the variety of award types. This makes the comparison of Akamai's current financial results to previous and future periods difficult to interpret; therefore, Akamai believes it is useful to exclude stock-based compensation and amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation from its non-GAAP financial measures in order to highlight the performance of Akamai's core business and to be consistent with the way many investors evaluate its performance and compare its operating results to peer companies.
- Acquisition-related costs Acquisition-related costs include transaction fees, advisory fees, due diligence costs and other direct costs associated with
 strategic activities, as well as certain additional compensation costs payable to employees acquired from the Linode acquisition if employed for a
 certain period of time. The additional compensation cost was initiated by and determined by the seller, and is in addition to normal levels of
 compensation, including retention programs, offered by Akamai. Acquisition-related costs are impacted by the timing and size of the acquisitions, and
 Akamai excludes acquisition-related costs from its non-GAAP financial measures to provide a useful comparison of operating results to prior periods
 and to peer companies because such amounts vary significantly based on the magnitude of the acquisition transactions and do not reflect Akamai's core
 operations.
- Restructuring charge Akamai has incurred restructuring charges from programs that have significantly changed either the scope of the business undertaken by the Company or the manner in which that business is conducted. These charges include severance and related expenses for workforce reductions, impairments of long-lived assets that will no longer be used in operations (including right-of-use assets, other facility-related property and equipment and internal-use software) and termination fees for any contracts cancelled as part of these programs. Akamai excludes these items from its non-GAAP financial measures when evaluating its continuing business performance as such items vary significantly based on the magnitude of the restructuring action and do not reflect expected future operating expenses. In addition, these charges do not necessarily provide meaningful insight into the fundamentals of current or past operations of its business.

- Amortization of debt issuance costs and capitalized interest expense Akamai has convertible senior notes outstanding that mature in 2029, 2027 and 2025. The issuance costs of the convertible senior notes are amortized to interest expense and are excluded from Akamai's non-GAAP results because management believes the non-cash amortization expense is not representative of ongoing operating performance.
- Gains and losses on investments Akamai has recorded gains and losses from the disposition, changes to fair value and impairment of certain investments. Akamai believes excluding these amounts from its non-GAAP financial measures is useful to investors as the types of events giving rise to these gains and losses are not representative of Akamai's core business operations and ongoing operating performance.
- Gains and losses from equity method investment Akamai records income or losses on its share of earnings and losses from its equity method investment, and any gains from returns of investments or impairments. Akamai excludes such income and losses because it does not have direct control over the operations of the investment and the related income and losses are not representative of its core business operations.
- Income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items The non-GAAP adjustments described above are reported on a pretax basis. The income tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments is the difference between GAAP and non-GAAP income tax expense. Non-GAAP income tax expense is computed on non-GAAP pre-tax income (GAAP pre-tax income adjusted for non-GAAP adjustments) and excludes certain discrete tax items (such as the impact of intercompany sales of intellectual property related to acquisitions), if any. Akamai believes that applying the non-GAAP adjustments and their related income tax effect allows Akamai to highlight income attributable to its core operations.

Akamai's definitions of its non-GAAP financial measures are outlined below:

Non-GAAP income from operations – GAAP income from operations adjusted for the following items: amortization of acquired intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized interest expense; acquisition-related costs; restructuring charges; and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

Non-GAAP operating margin – Non-GAAP income from operations stated as a percentage of revenue.

Non-GAAP net income – GAAP net income adjusted for the following tax-affected items: amortization of acquired intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; acquisition-related costs; restructuring charges; amortization of debt issuance costs; amortization of capitalized interest expense; certain gains and losses on investments; gains and losses from equity method investment; and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

Non-GAAP tax rate – GAAP tax rate excluding the tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items.

Non-GAAP net income per diluted share, or EPS – Non-GAAP net income divided by weighted average diluted common shares outstanding. Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding are adjusted in non-GAAP per share calculations for the shares that would be delivered to Akamai pursuant to the note hedge transactions entered into in connection with the issuances of \$1,265 million of convertible senior notes due 2029 and the issuances of \$1,150 million of convertible senior notes due 2027 and 2025, respectively. Under GAAP, shares delivered under hedge transactions are not considered offsetting shares in the fully-diluted share calculation until they are delivered. However, Akamai would receive a benefit from the note hedge transactions and would not allow the dilution to occur, so management believes that adjusting for this benefit provides a meaningful view of operating performance. With respect to the convertible senior notes due in each of 2029, 2027 and 2025, unless Akamai's weighted average stock price is greater than \$126.31, \$116.18 and \$95.10, respectively, the initial conversion prices, there will be no difference between GAAP and non-GAAP diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.

Adjusted EBITDA – GAAP net income excluding the following items: interest and marketable securities income and losses; income taxes; depreciation and amortization of tangible and intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; acquisition-related costs; restructuring charges; foreign exchange gains and losses; interest expense; amortization of capitalized interest expense; certain gains and losses on investments; gains and losses from equity method investment; and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

Adjusted EBITDA margin – Adjusted EBITDA stated as a percentage of revenue.

Capital expenditures, or capex, excluding stock-based compensation and interest expense – Purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs presented on an accrual basis, which differs from the cash-basis presentation included in the statements of cash flows. The primary difference between the two is the change in purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs accrued for, but not paid, at period end versus prior periods.

Capex as a percentage of revenue – Capital expenditures, or capex, excluding stock-based compensation and interest expense, stated as a percentage of revenue.

Impact of foreign currency exchange rate – Revenue and earnings from international operations have historically been important contributors to Akamai's financial results. Consequently, Akamai's financial results have been impacted, and management expects they will continue to be impacted, by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. For example, when the local currencies of our international subsidiaries weaken, our consolidated results stated in U.S. dollars are negatively impacted.

Because exchange rates are a meaningful factor in understanding period-to-period comparisons, management believes the presentation of the impact of foreign currency exchange rates on revenue and earnings enhances the understanding of our financial results and evaluation of performance in comparison to prior periods. The dollar impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates presented is calculated by translating current period results using monthly average foreign currency exchange rates from the comparative period and comparing them to the reported amount. The percentage change at constant currency presented is calculated by comparing the prior period amounts as reported and the current period amounts translated using the same monthly average foreign currency exchange rates from the comparative period.

Akamai Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act

This release and/or our quarterly earnings conference call scheduled for later today contain statements that are not statements of historical fact and constitute forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions under The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including, but not limited to, statements about expected future financial performance, expectations, plans and prospects of Akamai. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by these forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors including, but not limited to, inability to continue to generate cash at the same level as prior years; failure of our investments in innovation to generate solutions that are accepted in the market; inability to increase our revenue at the same rate as in the past and keep our expenses from increasing at a greater rate than our revenues; effects of competition, including pricing pressure and changing business models; impact of macroeconomic trends, including economic uncertainty, turmoil in the financial services industry, the effects of inflation, rising and fluctuating interest rates, foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations, securities market volatility and monetary supply fluctuations; conditions and uncertainties in the geopolitical environment, including sanctions and disruptions resulting from the ongoing war in Ukraine; continuing supply chain and logistics costs, constraints, changes or disruptions; defects or disruptions in our products or IT systems, including cyber-attacks, data breaches or malware; failure to realize the expected benefits of any of our acquisitions or reorganizations; changes to economic, political and regulatory conditions in the United States and internationally; our ability to attract and retain key personnel; impact of the COVID-19 pandemic; delay in developing or failure to develop new service offerings or functionalities, and if developed, lack of market acceptance of such service offerings and functionalities or failure to

In addition, the statements in this press release and on our quarterly earnings conference call represent Akamai's expectations and beliefs as of the date of this press release. Akamai anticipates that subsequent events and developments may cause these expectations and beliefs to change. However, while Akamai may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, it specifically disclaims any obligation to do so. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing Akamai's expectations or beliefs as of any date subsequent to the date of this press release.