

Akamai Technologies, Inc.
Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures
December 31, 2014

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). 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 and to evaluate Akamai's financial performance.

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 its business, as they exclude expenses and gains that may be infrequent, unusual in nature and not reflective of Akamai's ongoing operating results. Management also believes that these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful information to investors in understanding and evaluating Akamai's operating results and future prospects in the same manner as management and in comparing financial results across accounting periods and to those of peer companies.

The non-GAAP financial measures do not replace the presentation of Akamai's GAAP financial results 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 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.

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; restructuring (benefits) charges; acquisition-related costs; benefit from adoption of software development activities; gains and other activity related to divestiture of a business; gains and losses on legal settlements and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Income from operations	\$ 136,082	\$ 120,239	\$ 115,756	\$ 489,519	\$ 413,968
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	8,403	8,403	4,894	32,057	21,547
Stock-based compensation	27,196	28,008	23,673	111,996	95,884
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation	2,845	3,556	1,974	10,345	8,077
Amortization of capitalized interest expense	98	45	—	161	—
Acquisition-related costs	353	270	1,266	4,807	1,853
Legal settlement	285	—	—	285	—
Restructuring (benefits) charges	—	(115)	952	1,189	1,843
Benefit from adoption of software development activities	—	(2,670)	—	(2,670)	—
Gain from divestiture of a business	—	—	—	—	(1,188)
Non-GAAP income from operations	<u>\$ 175,262</u>	<u>\$ 157,736</u>	<u>\$ 148,515</u>	<u>\$ 647,689</u>	<u>\$ 541,984</u>

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

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Revenue.....	\$ 536,295	\$ 498,042	\$ 435,980	\$ 1,963,874	\$ 1,577,922
Non-GAAP income from operations	175,262	157,736	148,515	647,689	541,984
Non-GAAP operating margin	<u>33%</u>	<u>32%</u>	<u>34%</u>	<u>33%</u>	<u>34%</u>

Non-GAAP net income – GAAP net income adjusted for the following tax-effected items: amortization of acquired intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; restructuring (benefits) charges; acquisition-related costs; certain gains and losses on investments; benefit from adoption of software development activities; gains and other activity related to divestiture of a business; loss on early extinguishment of debt; amortization of debt discount and issuance costs; amortization of capitalized interest expense; gains and losses on legal settlements and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Net income	\$ 97,107	\$ 91,155	\$ 80,349	\$ 333,948	\$ 293,487
Amortization of acquired intangible assets.....	8,403	8,403	4,894	32,057	21,547
Stock-based compensation.....	27,196	28,008	23,673	111,996	95,884
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Gain from divestiture of a business	—	—	—	—	(1,188)
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs.....	4,524	4,482	—	15,463	—
Loss on investments.....	50	—	—	443	—
Income tax-effect of above non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items.....	(13,869)	(21,771)	(13,233)	(59,202)	(54,124)
Non-GAAP net income.....	<u>\$ 126,992</u>	<u>\$ 111,363</u>	<u>\$ 99,875</u>	<u>\$ 448,822</u>	<u>\$ 367,379</u>

Non-GAAP net income per share (Non-GAAP EPS) – Non-GAAP net income divided by basic weighted average or diluted common shares outstanding. Basic weighted average shares outstanding are those used in GAAP net income per share calculations. Diluted weighted average shares outstanding are adjusted in non-GAAP per share calculations for the shares that would be delivered to Akamai pursuant to the note hedge transaction entered into in connection with the issuance of \$690 million of convertible senior notes due 2019. Under GAAP, shares delivered under hedge transactions are not considered offsetting shares in the fully diluted share calculation until they are delivered. However, the company would receive a benefit from the note hedge transaction and would not allow the dilution to occur, so management believes that adjusting for this benefit provides a meaningful view of net income per share. Until Akamai's weighted average stock price is greater than \$89.56, the initial conversion price, there will be no difference between GAAP and non-GAAP diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.

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Non-GAAP net income per share:					
Basic.....	\$ 0.71	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.56	\$ 2.52	\$ 2.06
Diluted.....	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.55	\$ 2.48	\$ 2.02
Shares used in per share calculations:					
Basic.....	178,144	178,186	178,758	178,279	178,196
Diluted.....	180,910	180,955	182,258	181,186	181,783

Adjusted EBITDA – GAAP net income excluding the following items: interest income; income taxes; depreciation and amortization of tangible and intangible assets; stock-based compensation; amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation; restructuring (benefits) charges; acquisition-related costs; certain gains and losses on investments; benefit from adoption of software development activities; gains and other activity related to divestiture of a business; foreign exchange gains and losses; loss on early extinguishment of debt; amortization of debt discount and issuance costs; amortization of capitalized interest expense; gains and losses on legal settlements and other non-recurring or unusual items that may arise from time to time.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Net income	\$ 97,107	\$ 91,155	\$ 80,349	\$ 333,948	\$ 293,487
Interest income	(2,291)	(2,010)	(1,534)	(7,680)	(6,077)
Provision for income taxes	36,750	26,424	36,546	145,828	126,067
Depreciation and amortization	56,417	55,411	43,108	204,843	154,807
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	8,403	8,403	4,894	32,057	21,547
Stock-based compensation	27,196	28,008	23,673	111,996	95,884
Amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation	2,845	3,556	1,974	10,345	8,077
Amortization of capitalized interest	98	45	—	161	—
Acquisition-related costs	353	270	1,266	4,807	1,853
Restructuring (benefits) charges	—	(115)	952	1,189	1,843
Legal settlement	285	—	—	285	—
Benefit from adoption of software development activities	—	(2,670)	—	(2,670)	—
Gain from divestiture of a business	—	—	—	—	(1,188)
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs	4,524	4,482	—	15,463	—
Other (income) expense, net	(8)	188	395	1,960	491
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$ 231,679</u>	<u>\$ 213,147</u>	<u>\$ 191,623</u>	<u>\$ 852,532</u>	<u>\$ 696,791</u>

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

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Revenue	\$ 536,295	\$ 498,042	\$ 435,980	\$ 1,963,874	\$ 1,577,922
Adjusted EBITDA	231,679	213,147	191,623	852,532	696,791
Adjusted EBITDA margin	<u>43%</u>	<u>43%</u>	<u>44%</u>	<u>43%</u>	<u>44%</u>

Cash operating expenses (cash opex) – GAAP operating expenses (consisting of research and development, sales and marketing, general and administrative, amortization of acquired intangible assets and restructuring (benefits) charges), excluding stock-based compensation, amortization of acquired intangible assets, depreciation and amortization, restructuring (benefits) charges, acquisition-related costs, legal settlements, benefit from adoption of software development activities and gains and other activity related to divestiture of a business.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
GAAP operating expenses	\$ 237,012	\$ 218,991	\$ 186,273	\$ 863,412	\$ 652,867
Less:					
Stock-based compensation	24,163	24,978	21,036	100,062	85,017
Amortization of acquired intangible assets ...	8,403	8,403	4,894	32,057	21,547
Depreciation and amortization	11,121	10,884	8,133	40,054	26,990
Restructuring charges	—	(115)	952	1,189	1,843
Acquisition-related costs	353	270	1,266	4,807	1,853
Legal settlements	285	—	—	285	—
Benefit from adoption of software development activities	—	(2,670)	—	(2,670)	—
Gain from divestiture of a business	—	—	—	—	(1,188)
Cash operating expenses	<u>\$ 192,687</u>	<u>\$ 177,241</u>	<u>\$ 149,992</u>	<u>\$ 687,628</u>	<u>\$ 516,805</u>

Cash cost of revenue – GAAP cost of revenue, excluding stock-based compensation and depreciation and amortization.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
GAAP cost of revenue	\$ 163,201	\$ 158,812	\$ 133,951	\$ 610,943	\$ 511,087
Less:					
Stock-based compensation	3,033	3,030	2,637	11,934	10,867
Depreciation and amortization	48,239	48,128	36,949	175,295	135,894
Cash cost of revenue	<u>\$ 111,929</u>	<u>\$ 107,654</u>	<u>\$ 94,365</u>	<u>\$ 423,714</u>	<u>\$ 364,326</u>

Cash gross profit – Revenue less cash cost of revenue.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Revenue	\$ 536,295	\$ 498,042	\$ 435,980	\$ 1,963,874	\$ 1,577,922
Cash cost of revenue	111,929	107,654	94,365	423,714	364,326
Cash gross profit	<u>\$ 424,366</u>	<u>\$ 390,388</u>	<u>\$ 341,615</u>	<u>\$ 1,540,160</u>	<u>\$ 1,213,596</u>

Cash gross margin – Revenue less GAAP cost of revenue, excluding stock-based compensation and depreciation and amortization, as a percentage of revenue.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Revenue.....	\$ 536,295	\$ 498,042	\$ 435,980	\$ 1,963,874	\$ 1,577,922
Cash gross profit	424,366	390,388	341,615	1,540,160	1,213,596
Cash gross margin.....	<u>79%</u>	<u>78%</u>	<u>78%</u>	<u>78%</u>	<u>77%</u>

Free cash flow – Cash flows from operations less purchases of property and equipment and capitalization of internal-use software development costs included in the statements of cash flows.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Cash provided by operating activities.....	\$ 195,541	\$ 173,282	\$ 171,732	\$ 658,070	\$ 563,908
Purchases of property and equipment	(64,693)	(44,474)	(45,397)	(207,159)	(187,964)
Capitalization of internal-use software development costs.....	(27,627)	(27,308)	(16,938)	(111,468)	(72,109)
Free cash flow	<u>\$ 103,221</u>	<u>\$ 101,500</u>	<u>\$ 109,397</u>	<u>\$ 339,443</u>	<u>\$ 303,835</u>

Capital expenditures (capex) – Purchases of property and equipment, capitalization of internal-use software development costs, capitalization of stock-based compensation and capitalization of interest expense.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Purchases of property and equipment	\$ 66,285	\$ 47,034	\$ 42,751	\$ 223,565	\$ 183,146
Capitalization of internal-use software development costs.....	31,630	31,466	20,118	116,062	75,234
Capitalization of stock-based compensation.....	3,649	3,850	3,073	15,226	12,325
Capitalization of interest expense	680	679	—	2,193	—
Capital expenditure	<u>\$ 102,244</u>	<u>\$ 83,029</u>	<u>\$ 65,942</u>	<u>\$ 357,046</u>	<u>\$ 270,705</u>

Capex margin – Capital expenditures, or capex, as a percentage of revenue.

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Revenue.....	\$ 536,295	\$ 498,042	\$ 435,980	\$ 1,963,874	\$ 1,577,922
Capital expenditures.....	102,244	83,029	65,942	357,046	270,705
Capex margin.....	19%	17%	15%	18%	17%

Non-GAAP depreciation – GAAP depreciation and amortization (which consists of depreciation and amortization of property and equipment, capitalized stock-based compensation, capitalized interest and acquired intangible assets), less depreciation and amortization excluded from non-GAAP results (which consists of depreciation and amortization of capitalized stock-based compensation, capitalized interest and acquired intangible assets).

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
GAAP depreciation and amortization.....	\$ 67,763	\$ 67,415	\$ 49,976	\$ 247,406	\$ 184,431
Less:					
Capitalized stock-based compensation amortization	2,845	3,556	1,974	10,345	8,077
Capitalized interest amortization	98	45	—	161	—
Amortization of acquired intangible assets.....	8,403	8,403	4,894	32,057	21,547
Non-GAAP depreciation.....	\$ 56,417	\$ 55,411	\$ 43,108	\$ 204,843	\$ 154,807

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

	Three Months Ended			Year Ended	
	December 31, 2014	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
GAAP tax rate.....	27%	22%	31%	30%	30%
Income tax-effect of non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items.....	1%	8%	2%	1%	3%
Non-GAAP tax rate.....	28%	30%	33%	31%	33%

Impact of Foreign Currency Exchange Rates on Revenue – Revenue from international operations has historically been an important contributor to Akamai's total revenue. Consequently, Akamai's revenue 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 Akamai's foreign subsidiaries weaken, 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 enhances the understanding of revenue results and evaluation of performance in comparison to prior periods. The information presented is calculated by translating current period results using the same average foreign currency exchange rates per month from the comparative period.

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 are unique to each acquisition; therefore, Akamai excludes amortization of acquired intangible assets 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 and executives, the expense varies with changes in the stock price and market conditions 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 in order to better understand the performance of Akamai's core business performance and to be consistent with the way investors evaluate its performance and comparison of its operating results to peer companies.

Acquisition-related costs – Acquisition-related costs include transaction fees, due diligence costs and other one-time direct costs associated with strategic activities. In addition, subsequent adjustments to Akamai's initial estimated amount of contingent consideration associated with specific acquisitions are included within acquisition-related costs. These amounts are impacted by the timing and size of the acquisitions. Akamai excludes acquisition-related costs from non-GAAP financial measures to provide a useful comparison of Akamai's operating results to prior periods and to its peer companies because such amounts vary significantly based on the magnitude of its acquisition transactions.

Restructuring (benefits) charges – Akamai has incurred restructuring (benefits) charges that are included in its GAAP financial statements, primarily related to workforce reductions and estimated costs of exiting facility lease commitments. Akamai excludes these items from non-GAAP financial measures when evaluating its continuing business performance as such items are not consistently recurring and do not reflect expected future operating expense, nor provide meaningful insight into the fundamentals of current or past operations of its business.

Benefit from adoption of software development activities – Akamai recognized a benefit to non-income-related tax expense associated with the adoption of software development activities. Akamai excluded this item from its non-GAAP financial measures because transactions of this nature occur infrequently and are not considered part of Akamai's core business operations.

Gains and other activity related to divestiture of a business – Akamai recognized a gain and other activity related to the divestiture of its Advertising Decision Solutions business. Akamai excludes gains and other activity related to divestiture of a business from non-GAAP financial measures because transactions of this nature occur infrequently and are not considered part of Akamai's core business operations.

Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs and amortization of capitalized interest expense – Akamai issued \$690 million of convertible senior notes due 2019 with a coupon interest rate of 0%. The imputed interest rate of the convertible senior notes was approximately 3.2%. This is a result of the debt discount recorded for the conversion feature that is required to be separately accounted for as equity, thereby reducing the carrying value of the convertible debt instrument. The debt discount is amortized as interest expense together with the issuance costs of the debt which are recorded as an asset in the consolidated balance sheet. All of Akamai's interest expense is comprised of these non-cash components and is excluded from management's assessment of the company's operating performance because management believes the non-cash expense is not indicative of ongoing operating performance.

Legal settlements, gains and losses on investments and losses on early extinguishment of debt – Akamai has incurred gains and losses associated with the resolution of certain legal actions, the impairment of certain investments and with the early extinguishment of convertible debt. Akamai believes excluding these amounts from non-GAAP financial measures is useful to investors as these actions occur infrequently, are not representative of Akamai's core business operations or meaningful in evaluating Akamai's business results.

Income tax-effect of non-GAAP adjustments and certain discrete tax items – The non-GAAP adjustments described above are reported on a pre-tax 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 recording or release of valuation allowances), if any. Akamai believes that applying the non-GAAP adjustments and their related income tax effect allows Akamai to more properly reflect the income attributable to its core operations.