

Financial Highlights Q3 2018

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

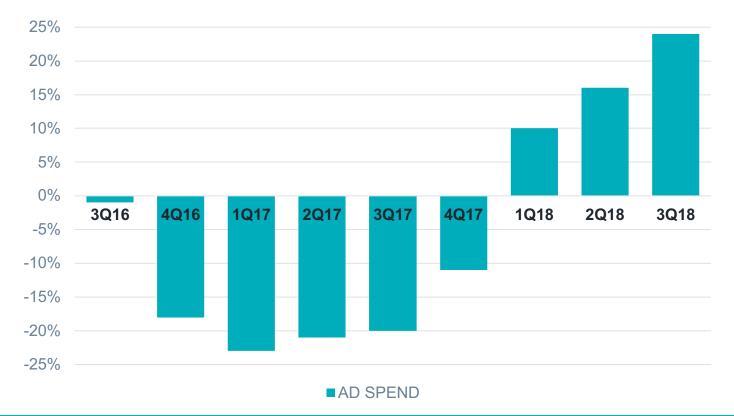
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These risks include, but are not limited to: our ability to grow and to manage any growth effectively; our ability to develop innovative new technologies and remain a market leader; our ability to attract and retain buyers and sellers and increase our business with them; our vulnerability to loss of, or reduction in spending by, buyers; our reliance on large sources of advertising demand; our ability to maintain and grow a supply of digital advertising inventory from sellers; the effect on the advertising market and our business from difficult economic conditions; the freedom of buyers and sellers to direct their spending and inventory to competing sources of inventory and demand; our ability to use our solution for purchase and sale of higher value digital advertising inventory and to expand the use of our solution by buvers and sellers utilizing evolving digital media platforms: our ability to introduce new offerings and bring them to market in a timely manner. and otherwise adapt in response to client demands and industry trends, including shifts in digital advertising growth from desktop to mobile channels and from display to video formats; the increased prevalence of header bidding and its effect on our competitive position; our header bidding solution not resulting in revenue growth and causing infrastructure strain and added cost; uncertainty of our estimates and expectations associated with new offerings, including header bidding, private marketplace, mobile, video, guaranteed audience solutions, and traffic shaping; declined fees and take rate and the need to grow through advertising spend increases rather than fee increases: our ability to compensate for a reduced take rate by increasing the volume and/or value of transactions on our platform; our vulnerability to the depletion of our cash resources as revenue declines with the reduction in our take rate and as we incur additional investments in technology required to support the increased volume of transactions on our exchange; our ability to support our growth objectives with reduced resources from our cost reduction initiatives; our ability to raise additional capital if needed; our limited operating history and history of losses; our ability to continue to expand into new geographic markets; increased prevalence of adblocking technologies and browsers that block cookies or otherwise allow users to limit ad tracking; the slowing growth rate of online digital display advertising; the growing percentage of online and mobile advertising spending captured by owned and operated sites (such as Facebook and Google): the effects, including loss of market share, of increased competition in our market and increasing concentration of advertising spending. including mobile spending, in a small number of very large competitors; the effects of consolidation in the ad tech industry, such as AT&T's acquisition of AppNexus; acts of competitors and other third parties that can adversely affect our business; our ability to differentiate our offerings and compete effectively in a market trending increasingly toward commodification. transparency, and disintermediation: requests for discounts, fee concessions or revisions, rebates, refunds, favorable payment terms and greater levels of pricing transparency and specificity; potential adverse effects of malicious activity such as fraudulent inventory and malware; the effects of seasonal trends on our results of operations: costs associated with defending intellectual property infringement and other claims; our ability to attract and retain gualified employees and key personnel; our ability to identify future acquisitions of or investments in complementary companies or technologies and our ability to consummate the acquisitions and integrate such companies or technologies; and our ability to comply with, and the effect on our business of, the European General Data Protection Regulation, the California Consumer Privacy Act, and other evolving legal standards and regulations, particularly concerning data protection and consumer privacy and evolving labor standards. We discuss many of these risks and additional factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated by our forward-looking statements under the headings "Risk Factors." "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." and elsewhere in filings we have made and will make from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. These forward-looking statements represent our estimates and assumptions only as of the date made. Unless required by federal securities laws, we assume no obligation to update any of these forward-looking statements, or to update the reasons actual results could differ materially from those anticipated, to reflect circumstances or events that occur after the statements are made. 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Key Highlights

- Revenue was \$29.7 million for Q3 2018, up 4% sequentially
- Year over year ad spend growth of 24% in Q3 2018 and marks the third consecutive quarter of double digit year over year growth
- Video and audio continue to be significant growth drivers
- Take rate was up 20 bps to 12.3% in Q3 2018 sequentially and is expected to approach 13% for Q4 2018
- Expecting Q4 2018 **revenue** to be up over 20% year over year
- Q4 2018 year over year ad spend expected to grow approximately 20%
- Expect to be adjusted EBITDA positive in Q4 2018



Ad Spend Year over Year Growth Rate Trend





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Q3 2018 SUMMARY

Financial Measures (\$MM except per share data)		Three Months Ende	ed
	9/30/2018	9/30/2017	Change Favorable / (Unfavorable)
Revenue			
Mobile revenue	\$17.2	\$18.3	(6%)
Desktop revenue	\$12.5	\$16.9	(26%)
Revenue	\$29.7	\$35.2	(16%)
Advertising spend ⁽¹⁾	\$242.2	\$195.0	24%
Mobile advertising spend	\$132.9	\$91.7	45%
Desktop advertising spend	\$109.3	\$103.3	6%
Take Rate ⁽²⁾	12.3%	18.1%	(580 bps)
Net loss	(\$13.8)	(\$103.6)	87%
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽³⁾	(\$1.4)	(\$2.3)	37%
Adjusted EBITDA margin ⁽³⁾	(5%)	(6%)	(1 ppt)
Basic and Diluted loss per share	(\$0.27)	(\$2.11)	87%
Non-GAAP loss per share ⁽⁴⁾	(\$0.18)	(\$0.14)	(29%)

(1) Advertising spend represents the total volume of spending between buyers and sellers transacted on our platform. See later slide for a reconciliation of GAAP revenue to advertising spend.

- (3) See later slide for a reconciliation of net loss to adjusted EBITDA.
- Adjusted EBITDA margin is calculated as adjusted EBITDA divided by revenue.
- (2) Take rate represents revenue (or for periods in which we have revenue reported on a gross basis, non-GAAP net revenue) divided by advertising spend.
- (4) See later slide for a reconciliation of net loss to non-GAAP net loss and calculation of non-GAAP loss per share.



CASH FLOW AND BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS

Cash Flow	Highlights		Balance Sheet Highlights		
(\$MM)			(\$MM)		
	Q3 2018	Q3 2017		September 30, 2018	December 3 2017
Financial measure:			Financial measure:		
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	(\$1.5)	(\$3.6)	Cash & equivalents	\$82.3	\$76.6
Less capital expenditures	(6.0)	(11.5)	Marketable securities ⁽¹⁾	14.5	55.0
Free cash flow	(\$7.5)	(\$15.1)	Total cash + liquid assets	\$96.8	\$131.6
			Debt + capital lease obligations	\$ Nil	\$ Nil

 Marketable securities at 12/31/17 include \$52.5 million current assets and \$2.5 million in long term marketable securities captured as other assets



DEPRECIATION & AMORTIZATION / AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

Income Statement includes Depreciation and Amortization as follows: (\$MM)	Q3 2018	Q3 2017
Cost of revenue	\$ 8.3	\$ 7.2
Sales and marketing	0.1	0.1
Technology and development	0.2	0.6
General and administrative	0.1	0.2
Total Depreciation and Amortization	\$8.7	\$ 8.1

Remaining Amortization Schedule for Acquired Intangible by Period (\$MM)		
2018 (Q4)	0.8	
2019	3.0	
2020	2.8	
2021	2.8	
2022	1.5	
Total Remaining Amortization of Acquired Intangibles	\$10.9	



RECONCILIATIONS OF NET LOSS TO ADJUSTED EBITDA & REVENUE TO ADVERTISING SPEND

Reconciliation of Net Loss to Adjusted EBITDA (\$MM)	Q3 2018	Q3 2017
Financial Measure: (\$MM)		
Net loss	(\$13.8)	(\$103.6)
Add back (deduct):		
Depreciation and amortization, excluding amortization of acquired intangible assets	8.0	7.0
Amortization of acquired intangibles	0.8	1.2
Stock-based compensation expense	3.9	4.6
Impairment of goodwill		90.3
Acquisition and related items		0.3
Interest income, net	(0.2)	(0.3)
Foreign currency (gain)/loss, net	(0.1)	0.2
Provision for income taxes	0.1	(2.0)
Adjusted EBITDA / EBITDA (loss)	(\$1.4)	(\$2.3)

Reconciliation of Revenue to Advertising Spend (\$MM)	Q3 2018	Q3 2017
Financial Measure: (\$MM)		
Revenue	\$29.7	\$35.2
Plus amounts paid to sellers	\$212.5	\$159.8
Advertising Spend	\$242.2	\$195.0



RECONCILIATIONS OF NET LOSS TO NON-GAAP NET LOSS

Reconciliation of Net Loss to Non-GAAP Net Loss (\$MM, except share figures)	Q3 2018	Q3 2017
Financial Measure:		
Net loss	(\$13.8)	(\$103.6)
Add back (deduct):		
Acquisition and related items, including amortization of acquired intangibles	0.8	1.4
Stock-based compensation expense	3.9	4.6
Impairment of goodwill		90.3
Foreign currency (gain)/loss, net	(0.1)	0.2
Tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments	(0.1)	(0.1)
Non-GAAP Net loss	(\$9.3)	(\$7.1)
Non-GAAP loss per share	(\$0.18)	(\$0.14)
Non-GAAP weighted-average shares outstanding (MM)	50.5	49.1



ADDITIONAL RECONCILIATIONS OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES TO GAAP

Revenue & Advertising Spend Split by Channel		Q3 2018			Q3 2017	
Financial Measure: (\$MM)	Mobile	Desktop	Total	Mobile	Desktop	Total
GAAP Revenue	\$17.2	\$12.5	\$29.7	\$18.3	\$16.9	\$35.2
Plus amounts paid to sellers	115.7	96.8	212.5	73.4	86.4	159.8
Advertising Spend	\$132.9	\$109.3	\$242.2	\$91.7	\$103.3	\$195.0
Percentage of total Advertising Spend	55%	45%	100%	47%	53%	100%

Revenue & Advertising Spend Split by Geography		Q3 2018			Q3 2017	
Financial Measure: (\$MM)	Domestic	International	Total	Domes	tic International	Total
GAAP Revenue	\$20.5	\$9.2	\$29.7	\$24.	0 \$11.2	\$35.2
Plus amounts paid to sellers	149.6	62.9	212.5	106.	8 53.0	159.8
Advertising Spend	\$170.1	\$72.1	\$242.2	\$130.	8 \$64.2	\$195.0
Percentage of total Advertising Spend	70%	30%	100%	67%	33%	100%

