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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended: September 27, 2014

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 0-15386

CERNER CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

2800 Rockcreek Parkway

North Kansas City, MO

(Address of principal executive offices)

(816) 201-1024

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

43-1196944

(I.R.S. Employer Identification
Number)

64117

(Zip Code)

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 the definitions 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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class

Outstanding at October 17, 2014

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

341,472,242 shares

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Part I. Financial Information

Item 1. Financial Statements

CERNER CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

As of September 27, 2014 (unaudited) and December 28, 2013

(In thousands, except share data)

| | 2014 | 2013 |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Assets | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$496,494 | \$202,377 |
| Short-term investments | 835,269 | 677,004 |
| Receivables, net | 617,204 | 582,926 |
| Inventory | 28,604 | 32,299 |
| Prepaid expenses and other | 181,103 | 175,488 |
| Deferred income taxes, net | 76,803 | 91,614 |
| Total current assets | 2,235,477 | 1,761,708 |
| Property and equipment, net | 889,487 | 792,781 |
| Software development costs, net | 402,772 | 347,077 |
| Goodwill | 322,135 | 307,422 |
| Intangible assets, net | 131,790 | 144,132 |
| Long-term investments | 226,371 | 554,873 |
| Other assets | 184,606 | 190,371 |
| Total assets | \$4,392,638 | \$4,098,364 |
| Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$169,227 | \$145,019 |
| Current installments of long-term debt and capital lease obligations | 60,042 | 54,107 |
| Deferred revenue | 215,528 | 209,746 |
| Accrued payroll and tax withholdings | 145,739 | 147,986 |
| Other accrued expenses | 80,584 | 83,574 |
| Total current liabilities | 671,120 | 640,432 |
| Long-term debt and capital lease obligations | 86,756 | 111,717 |
| Deferred income taxes and other liabilities | 229,450 | 170,392 |
| Deferred revenue | 9,102 | 8,159 |
| Total liabilities | 996,428 | 930,700 |
| Shareholders' Equity: | | |
| Common stock, \$.01 par value, 500,000,000 shares authorized, 346,052,087 shares issued at September 27, 2014 and 344,338,030 shares issued at December 28, 2013 | 3,461 | 3,443 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 890,902 | 812,853 |
| Retained earnings | 2,770,609 | 2,393,048 |
| | (245,333) | (28,251) |

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Treasury stock, 4,652,515 shares at September 27, 2014 and 570,616 shares at December 28, 2013

| | | | | |
|--|-------------|---|-------------|---|
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net | (23,429 |) | (13,429 |) |
| Total shareholders' equity | 3,396,210 | | 3,167,664 | |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | \$4,392,638 | | \$4,098,364 | |

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

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CERNER CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

For the three and nine months ended September 27, 2014 and September 28, 2013

(unaudited)

| (In thousands, except per share data) | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|--|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|------------|
| | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 |
| Revenues: | | | | |
| System sales | \$224,345 | \$202,632 | \$665,595 | \$602,037 |
| Support, maintenance and services | 593,068 | 508,520 | 1,738,664 | 1,461,723 |
| Reimbursed travel | 22,736 | 16,678 | 72,413 | 51,660 |
| Total revenues | 840,149 | 727,830 | 2,476,672 | 2,115,420 |
| Costs and expenses: | | | | |
| Cost of system sales | 65,520 | 64,389 | 211,939 | 217,580 |
| Cost of support, maintenance and services | 51,809 | 38,510 | 147,181 | 103,366 |
| Cost of reimbursed travel | 22,736 | 16,678 | 72,413 | 51,660 |
| Sales and client service | 346,417 | 304,665 | 1,020,552 | 853,213 |
| Software development (Includes amortization of \$25,372 and \$75,410 for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2014; and \$24,056 and \$69,366 for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2013) | 97,026 | 82,998 | 285,897 | 246,343 |
| General and administrative | 68,487 | 51,352 | 180,900 | 150,995 |
| Total costs and expenses | 651,995 | 558,592 | 1,918,882 | 1,623,157 |
| Operating earnings | 188,154 | 169,238 | 557,790 | 492,263 |
| Other income, net | 2,181 | 3,509 | 7,908 | 9,286 |
| Earnings before income taxes | 190,335 | 172,747 | 565,698 | 501,549 |
| Income taxes | (61,333) | (57,403) | (188,137) | (163,258) |
| Net earnings | \$129,002 | \$115,344 | \$377,561 | \$338,291 |
| Basic earnings per share | \$0.38 | \$0.34 | \$1.10 | \$0.98 |
| Diluted earnings per share | \$0.37 | \$0.33 | \$1.08 | \$0.96 |
| Basic weighted average shares outstanding | 341,188 | 342,992 | 342,254 | 343,681 |
| Diluted weighted average shares outstanding | 349,326 | 351,449 | 350,468 | 352,332 |
| See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited). | | | | |

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CERNER CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
 For the three and nine months ended September 27, 2014 and September 28, 2013
 (unaudited)

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|--|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 |
| Net earnings | \$129,002 | \$115,344 | \$377,561 | \$338,291 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment and other (net of tax benefit of \$922 and \$603 for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2014; and \$1,366 and \$1,984 for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2013) | (17,672) | 10,595 | (9,603) | (7,610) |
| Unrealized holding gain (loss) on available-for-sale investments (net of taxes (benefit) of \$(259) and \$(252) for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2014; and \$509 and \$(34) for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2013) | (409) | 801 | (397) | (59) |
| Comprehensive income | \$110,921 | \$126,740 | \$367,561 | \$330,622 |

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

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CERNER CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
 For the nine months ended September 27, 2014 and September 28, 2013
 (unaudited)

| (In thousands) | Nine Months Ended | |
|---|-------------------|------------|
| | 2014 | 2013 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Net earnings | \$377,561 | \$338,291 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 217,212 | 189,460 |
| Share-based compensation expense | 43,330 | 33,650 |
| Provision for deferred income taxes | 21,712 | 19,573 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities (net of businesses acquired): | | |
| Receivables, net | (36,562) | 41,281 |
| Inventory | 3,515 | (3,887) |
| Prepaid expenses and other | 9,862 | (48,290) |
| Accounts payable | 20,137 | (19,309) |
| Accrued income taxes | (2,038) | (6,404) |
| Deferred revenue | 7,361 | 5,440 |
| Other accrued liabilities | (38,511) | 4,580 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 623,579 | 554,385 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Capital purchases | (200,372) | (218,406) |
| Capitalized software development costs | (130,761) | (125,951) |
| Purchases of investments | (1,069,938) | (832,039) |
| Sales and maturities of investments | 1,224,063 | 825,126 |
| Purchase of other intangibles | (10,238) | (39,797) |
| Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired | (7,476) | (67,877) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (194,722) | (458,944) |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Repayment of long-term debt and capital lease obligations | (75) | (9,756) |
| Proceeds from excess tax benefits from share-based compensation | 26,079 | 29,274 |
| Proceeds from exercise of options | 19,423 | 24,049 |
| Treasury stock purchases | (217,082) | (170,042) |
| Contingent consideration payments for acquisition of businesses | (10,617) | (800) |
| Cash grants | 48,000 | — |
| Other | 2,894 | 4,823 |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (131,378) | (122,452) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | (3,362) | (2,589) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 294,117 | (29,600) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 202,377 | 317,120 |

| | | |
|---|------------|-----------|
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$496,494 | \$287,520 |
| Summary of acquisition transactions: | | |
| Fair value of net tangible assets acquired | \$(1,509) | \$1,512 |
| Fair value of intangible assets acquired | 3,800 | 25,489 |
| Fair value of goodwill | 16,785 | 60,511 |
| Less: Fair value of contingent liability payable | (11,600) | (18,982) |
| Cash paid for acquisitions | 7,476 | 68,530 |
| Cash acquired | — | (653) |
| Net cash used | \$7,476 | \$67,877 |
| See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements (unaudited). | | |

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CERNER CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

(1) Interim Statement Presentation

The condensed consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared by Cerner Corporation (Cerner, the Company, we, us or our) without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in our latest annual report on Form 10-K.

In management's opinion, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements include all adjustments (consisting of only normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly the financial position and the results of operations and cash flows for the periods presented. Our interim results as presented in this Form 10-Q are not necessarily indicative of the operating results for the entire year.

The condensed consolidated financial statements were prepared using GAAP. These principles require us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Our third fiscal quarter ends on the Saturday closest to September 30. The 2014 and 2013 third quarters ended on September 27, 2014 and September 28, 2013, respectively. All references to years in these notes to condensed consolidated financial statements represent the respective three or nine months ended on such dates, unless otherwise noted.

Available-for-sale Investments

Our short-term investments are primarily invested in time deposits, commercial paper, government and corporate bonds, with maturities of less than one year. Our long-term investments are primarily invested in government and corporate bonds with maturities of less than two years.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Revenue Recognition. In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers, which requires an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. ASU 2014-09 will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in U.S. GAAP when it becomes effective. This new guidance is effective for the Company in the first quarter of 2017, with no early adoption permitted. The standard permits the use of either the retrospective or cumulative effect transition method. At this time we have not selected a transition method. We are currently evaluating the effect that ASU 2014-09 will have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

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(2) Business Acquisitions

Siemens Health Services

On August 5, 2014, we entered into a Master Sale and Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement") with Siemens AG, a stock corporation under the laws of Germany ("Siemens"), pursuant to which Cerner will acquire substantially all of the assets, and assume certain liabilities of Siemens' health information technology business unit, Siemens Health Services.

Consideration for this acquisition is expected to total \$1.3 billion in cash, subject to certain adjustments for working capital and pension obligations. We expect to enter into a transition services agreement pursuant to which Siemens will provide certain transitional services to Cerner for an initial period of up to six months after the acquisition closing.

In September 2014, the U.S. Federal Trade Commission granted early termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino (HSR) Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, in connection with our purchase of Siemens Health Services. The early termination of the HSR waiting period satisfies one of the conditions to closing of the pending acquisition. The transaction remains subject to other customary closing conditions and is expected to close in our first fiscal quarter of 2015.

Concurrently with the execution of the Agreement, the parties entered into an agreement to create a strategic alliance to jointly invest in innovative projects that integrate health IT with medical technologies for the purpose of enhancing workflows and improving clinical outcomes. After closing, each company will contribute up to \$50.0 million to fund projects of shared importance to both companies and their clients.

During the three months ended September 27, 2014, we incurred \$9.4 million of costs in connection with our pending acquisition of Siemens Health Services, which are included in general and administrative expense in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.

InterMedHx

On April 1, 2014, we purchased 100% of the outstanding membership interests of InterMedHx, LLC (InterMedHx). InterMedHx is a provider of health technology solutions in the areas of preventive care, patient administration, and medication history. We believe the addition of InterMedHx solutions provides additional capabilities in the market.

Consideration for the acquisition of InterMedHx is expected to total \$19.1 million consisting of up-front cash plus contingent consideration, which is payable at a percentage of the revenue contribution from InterMedHx solutions and services. We valued the contingent consideration at \$11.6 million based on projections of revenue over the assessment period.

The allocation of purchase price to the estimated fair value of the identified tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed resulted in goodwill of \$16.8 million and \$3.8 million in intangible assets related to the value of existing technologies. The goodwill was allocated to our Domestic operating segment and is expected to be deductible for tax purposes. Identifiable intangible assets are being amortized over a period of five years.

The operating results of InterMedHx were combined with our operating results subsequent to the purchase date of April 1, 2014. Pro-forma results of operations have not been presented because the effect of this acquisition was not material to our results.

(3) Fair Value Measurements

We determine fair value measurements used in our consolidated financial statements based upon the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value hierarchy distinguishes between (1) market participant assumptions developed based on market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and (2) an entity's own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs). The fair value hierarchy consists of three broad levels, which gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

• Level 1 – Valuations based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity has the ability to access.

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Level 2 – Valuations based on quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3 – Valuations based on inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

The following table details our financial assets measured and recorded at fair value on a recurring basis at September 27, 2014:
(In thousands)

| Description | Balance Sheet Classification | Fair Value Measurements Using | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|
| | | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
| Money market funds | Cash equivalents | \$213,003 | \$— | \$— |
| Time deposits | Cash equivalents | — | 11,354 | — |
| Commercial paper | Cash equivalents | — | 62,575 | — |
| Government and corporate bonds | Cash equivalents | — | 2,500 | — |
| Time deposits | Short-term investments | — | 83,395 | — |
| Commercial paper | Short-term investments | — | 441,365 | — |
| Government and corporate bonds | Short-term investments | — | 310,509 | — |
| Government and corporate bonds | Long-term investments | — | 213,704 | — |

The following table details our financial assets measured and recorded at fair value on a recurring basis at December 28, 2013:
(In thousands)

| Description | Balance Sheet Classification | Fair Value Measurements Using | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|
| | | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
| Money market funds | Cash equivalents | \$57,254 | \$— | \$— |
| Time deposits | Cash equivalents | — | 7,771 | — |
| Commercial paper | Cash equivalents | — | 3,000 | — |
| Government and corporate bonds | Cash equivalents | — | 410 | — |
| Time deposits | Short-term investments | — | 70,315 | — |
| Commercial paper | Short-term investments | — | 33,742 | — |
| Government and corporate bonds | Short-term investments | — | 572,947 | — |
| Government and corporate bonds | Long-term investments | — | 542,711 | — |

We estimate the fair value of our long-term, fixed rate debt using a Level 3 discounted cash flow analysis based on current borrowing rates for debt with similar maturities. The fair value of our long-term debt, including current maturities, at September 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 was approximately \$33.3 million and \$32.6 million, respectively. The carrying amount of such fixed-rate debt at September 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 was \$30.2 million and \$30.6 million, respectively.

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(4) Investments

Available-for-sale investments at September 27, 2014 were as follows:

| (In thousands) | Adjusted Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Fair Value |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash equivalents: | | | | |
| Money market funds | \$213,003 | \$ — | \$ — | \$213,003 |
| Time deposits | 11,354 | — | — | 11,354 |
| Commercial paper | 62,575 | — | — | 62,575 |
| Government and corporate bonds | 2,500 | — | — | 2,500 |
| Total cash equivalents | 289,432 | — | — | 289,432 |
| Short-term investments: | | | | |
| Time deposits | 83,402 | 1 | (8) | 83,395 |
| Commercial paper | 441,455 | 8 | (98) | 441,365 |
| Government and corporate bonds | 310,426 | 131 | (48) | 310,509 |
| Total short-term investments | 835,283 | 140 | (154) | 835,269 |
| Long-term investments: | | | | |
| Government and corporate bonds | 213,992 | 48 | (336) | 213,704 |
| Total available-for-sale investments | \$1,338,707 | \$ 188 | \$ (490) | \$1,338,405 |

Available-for-sale investments at December 28, 2013 were as follows:

| (In thousands) | Adjusted Cost | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Fair Value |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash equivalents: | | | | |
| Money market funds | \$57,254 | \$ — | \$ — | \$57,254 |
| Time deposits | 7,771 | — | — | 7,771 |
| Commercial paper | 3,000 | — | — | 3,000 |
| Government and corporate bonds | 410 | — | — | 410 |
| Total cash equivalents | 68,435 | — | — | 68,435 |
| Short-term investments: | | | | |
| Time deposits | 70,303 | 12 | — | 70,315 |
| Commercial paper | 33,750 | 1 | (9) | 33,742 |
| Government and corporate bonds | 572,670 | 356 | (79) | 572,947 |
| Total short-term investments | 676,723 | 369 | (88) | 677,004 |
| Long-term investments: | | | | |
| Government and corporate bonds | 542,644 | 346 | (279) | 542,711 |
| Total available-for-sale investments | \$1,287,802 | \$ 715 | \$ (367) | \$1,288,150 |

Investments reported under the cost method of accounting as of September 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were \$8.7 million and \$7.2 million, respectively. Investments reported under the equity method of accounting as of September 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were \$4.0 million and \$5.0 million, respectively.

We sold available-for-sale investments for proceeds of \$659.7 million and \$109.9 million during the nine months ended September 27, 2014 and September 28, 2013, respectively, resulting in insignificant gains in each period.

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(5) Receivables

A summary of net receivables is as follows:

| (In thousands) | September 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Gross accounts receivable | \$ 605,069 | \$ 583,312 |
| Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts | 25,372 | 36,286 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowance | 579,697 | 547,026 |
| Current portion of lease receivables | 37,507 | 35,900 |
| Total receivables, net | \$ 617,204 | \$ 582,926 |

During the second quarter of 2008, Fujitsu Services Limited's (Fujitsu) contract as the prime contractor in the National Health Service (NHS) initiative to automate clinical processes and digitize medical records in the Southern region of England was terminated by the NHS. This had the effect of automatically terminating our subcontract for the project. We continue to be in dispute with Fujitsu regarding Fujitsu's obligation to pay the amounts comprised of accounts receivable and contracts receivable related to that subcontract, and we are working with Fujitsu to resolve these issues based on processes provided for in the contract. Part of that process requires final resolution of disputes between Fujitsu and the NHS regarding the contract termination. As of September 27, 2014, it remains unlikely that our matter with Fujitsu will be resolved in the next 12 months. Therefore, these receivables have been classified as long-term and represent less than the majority of other long-term assets at September 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013. While the ultimate collectability of the receivables pursuant to this process is uncertain, we believe that we have valid and equitable grounds for recovery of such amounts and that collection of recorded amounts is probable. Nevertheless, it is reasonably possible that our estimates regarding collectability of such amounts might materially change in the near term, considering that we do not have complete knowledge of the status of the proceedings between Fujitsu and NHS and their effect on our claim.

During the first nine months of 2014 and 2013, we received total client cash collections of \$2.6 billion and \$2.3 billion, respectively, of which \$61.1 million and \$44.9 million were received from third party arrangements with non-recourse payment assignments.

(6) Income Taxes

We determine the tax provision for interim periods using an estimate of our annual effective tax rate, adjusted for discrete items, if any, that are taken into account in the relevant period. Each quarter we update our estimate of the annual effective tax rate, and if our estimated tax rate changes, we make a cumulative adjustment.

Our effective tax rate was 33.3% and 32.6% for the first nine months of 2014 and 2013, respectively.

In January 2013, the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (Act) became law. The Act reinstated the research and development tax credit retroactively from January 1, 2012. In the first quarter of 2013, we recognized the research and development tax credit related to 2012 as a favorable discrete item and the credit related to 2013 as a component of the overall 2013 effective tax rate. This credit expired on December 31, 2013. The increase in our effective tax rate through the first nine months of 2014 relative to the same period in 2013 is primarily due to the favorable discrete item recorded in the first quarter of 2013 for the retroactive extension of the 2012 credit and the expiration of the credit in 2014.

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(7) Earnings Per Share

A reconciliation of the numerators and the denominators of the basic and diluted per share computations are as follows:

| (In thousands, except per share data) | Three Months Ended | | | 2013 | | |
|---|--------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| | 2014 | | | | | |
| | Earnings | Shares | Per-Share | Earnings | Shares | Per-Share |
| | (Numerator) | (Denominator) | Amount | (Numerator) | (Denominator) | Amount |
| Basic earnings per share: | | | | | | |
| Income available to common shareholders | \$ 129,002 | 341,188 | \$ 0.38 | \$ 115,344 | 342,992 | \$ 0.34 |
| Effect of dilutive securities: | | | | | | |
| Stock options and non-vested shares | — | 8,138 | | — | 8,457 | |
| Diluted earnings per share: | | | | | | |
| Income available to common shareholders including assumed conversions | \$ 129,002 | 349,326 | \$ 0.37 | \$ 115,344 | 351,449 | \$ 0.33 |

For the three months ended September 27, 2014 and September 28, 2013, options to purchase 6.7 million and 7.2 million shares of common stock at per share prices ranging from \$38.66 to \$60.37 and \$36.92 to \$50.54, respectively, were outstanding but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because they were anti-dilutive.

| (In thousands, except per share data) | Nine Months Ended | | | 2013 | | |
|---|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| | 2014 | | | | | |
| | Earnings | Shares | Per-Share | Earnings | Shares | Per-Share |
| | (Numerator) | (Denominator) | Amount | (Numerator) | (Denominator) | Amount |
| Basic earnings per share: | | | | | | |
| Income available to common shareholders | \$ 377,561 | 342,254 | \$ 1.10 | \$ 338,291 | 343,681 | \$ 0.98 |
| Effect of dilutive securities: | | | | | | |
| Stock options and non-vested shares | — | 8,214 | | — | 8,651 | |
| Diluted earnings per share: | | | | | | |
| Income available to common shareholders including assumed conversions | \$ 377,561 | 350,468 | \$ 1.08 | \$ 338,291 | 352,332 | \$ 0.96 |

For the nine months ended September 27, 2014 and September 28, 2013, options to purchase 5.4 million and 5.8 million shares of common stock at per share prices ranging from \$38.66 to \$60.37 and \$32.92 to \$50.54, respectively, were outstanding but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because they were anti-dilutive.

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(8) Share-Based Compensation and Equity

Stock Options

Options activity for the nine months ended September 27, 2014 was as follows:

| (In thousands, except per share data) | Number of Shares | Weighted-Average Exercise Price | Aggregate Intrinsic Value | Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Term (Yrs) |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Outstanding at beginning of year | 24,407 | \$ 22.24 | | |
| Granted | 3,200 | 51.94 | | |
| Exercised | (1,784) | 11.95 | | |
| Forfeited and expired | (255) | 41.98 | | |
| Outstanding as of September 27, 2014 | 25,568 | 26.48 | \$823,590 | 6.17 |
| Exercisable as of September 27, 2014 | 14,946 | \$ 13.99 | \$667,501 | 4.65 |

The weighted-average assumptions used to estimate the fair value of stock options granted in 2014 were as follows:

| | | |
|-------------------------|---------|---|
| Expected volatility (%) | 29.7 | % |
| Expected term (yrs) | 9.2 | |
| Risk-free rate (%) | 2.9 | % |
| Fair value per option | \$22.54 | |

As of September 27, 2014, there was \$148.1 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock options granted under all plans. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.30 years.

Non-vested Shares

Non-vested share activity for the nine months ended September 27, 2014 was as follows:

| (In thousands, except per share data) | Number of Shares | Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|--|
| Outstanding at beginning of year | 552 | \$ 38.54 |
| Granted | 166 | 55.38 |
| Vested | (206) | 33.33 |
| Forfeited | (3) | 33.22 |
| Outstanding as of September 27, 2014 | 509 | \$ 46.17 |

As of September 27, 2014, there was \$13.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested share awards granted under all plans. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.55 years.

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The following table presents total compensation expense recognized with respect to stock options, non-vested shares and our associate stock purchase plan:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|--|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 |
| Stock option and non-vested share compensation expense | \$ 15,061 | \$ 12,527 | \$ 43,330 | \$ 33,650 |
| Associate stock purchase plan expense | 1,109 | 1,168 | 3,486 | 2,867 |
| Amounts capitalized in software development costs, net of amortization | (171) | (237) | (845) | (900) |
| Amounts charged against earnings, before income tax benefit | \$ 15,999 | \$ 13,458 | \$ 45,971 | \$ 35,617 |
| Amount of related income tax benefit recognized in earnings | \$ 5,616 | \$ 5,221 | \$ 16,136 | \$ 13,819 |

Treasury Stock

In May 2014, our Board of Directors approved an amendment to the stock repurchase program that was authorized in December 2013. Under the amendment, the Company may repurchase shares of our common stock up to an additional \$100.0 million. This increase authorizes repurchases of up to \$317.0 million, in the aggregate, excluding transaction costs. The repurchases are to be effectuated in the open market, by block purchase, or possibly through other transactions managed by broker-dealers. No time limit was set for completion of the program.

During the nine months ended September 27, 2014, we repurchased 4.1 million shares for consideration of \$217.0 million, excluding transaction costs. These shares were recorded as treasury stock and accounted for under the cost method. No repurchased shares have been retired. At September 27, 2014, \$100.0 million remains available for purchases under the program.

(9) Hedging Activities

The following table represents the fair value of our net investment hedge included within the condensed consolidated balance sheets:

| (In thousands) | Derivatives Designated Balance Sheet Classification | Fair Value | |
|----------------------------|---|--------------------|-------------------|
| | | September 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| Net investment hedge | Short-term liabilities | \$ 15,084 | \$ 15,304 |
| Net investment hedge | Long-term liabilities | 15,084 | 15,304 |
| Total net investment hedge | | \$ 30,168 | \$ 30,608 |

The following table represents the related unrealized gain or loss, net of related income tax effects, on the net investment hedge recognized in comprehensive income:

| (In thousands) | Derivatives Designated Balance Sheet Classification | Net Unrealized Gain (Loss) For the Three Months Ended | | Net Unrealized Gain (Loss) For the Nine Months Ended | |
|----------------|---|---|------|--|------|
| | | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 |

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| | | | | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------|-------|------------|-------|-----|
| Net investment hedge | Short-term liabilities | \$448 | \$(523) | \$134 | \$2 |
| Net investment hedge | Long-term liabilities | 448 | (1,058) | 134 | 2 |
| Total net investment hedge | | \$896 | \$(1,581) | \$268 | \$4 |

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(10) Contingencies

The terms of our software license agreements with our clients generally provide for a limited indemnification of such clients against losses, expenses and liabilities arising from third party claims based on alleged infringement by our solutions of an intellectual property right of such third party. The terms of such indemnification often limit the scope of and remedies for such indemnification obligations and generally include a right to replace or modify an infringing solution. To date, we have not had to reimburse any of our clients for any losses related to these indemnification provisions pertaining to third party intellectual property infringement claims. For several reasons, including the lack of prior indemnification claims and the lack of a monetary liability limit for certain infringement cases under the terms of the corresponding agreements with our clients, we cannot determine the maximum amount of potential future payments, if any, related to such indemnification provisions.

In addition to commitments and obligations in the ordinary course of business, we are subject to various legal proceedings and claims. Many of these proceedings are at preliminary stages and many seek an indeterminate amount of damages.

No less than quarterly, we review the status of each significant matter and assess our potential financial exposure. We accrue a liability for an estimated loss if the potential loss from any legal proceeding or claim is considered probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated. Significant judgment is required in both the determination of probability and the determination as to whether the amount of an exposure is reasonably estimable, and accruals are based only on the information available to our management at the time the judgment is made. Furthermore, the outcome of legal proceedings is inherently uncertain, and we may incur substantial defense costs and expenses defending any of these matters. Should any one or a combination of more than one of these proceedings be successful, or should we determine to settle any or a combination of these matters, we may be required to pay substantial sums, become subject to the entry of an injunction or be forced to change the manner in which we operate our business, which could have a material adverse impact on our financial position or results of operations.

RLIS, Inc., a non-practicing entity, filed a complaint in the Southern District of Texas against the Company alleging that certain of the Company's electronic medical record solutions infringe two patents owned by the plaintiff. Plaintiff is requesting unspecified damages, trebling of those damages due to willful infringement, attorneys' fees, costs, an ongoing royalty and an injunction enjoining the sale and use of certain capabilities of the allegedly infringing solutions. The plaintiff's expert estimates damages of between \$35.3 million and \$38.2 million and an ongoing royalty. The Company disputes these claims and intends to vigorously defend itself in this matter. The trial is now set for the first quarter of 2015.

We are currently unable to estimate a range of reasonably possible losses for the proceeding described above because of the extreme complexity of calculating damages in connection with these types of cases and the vastly disparate damage calculations that can result from the ultimate resolution of the many outstanding legal and factual issues of the case. In the opinion of our management, while there is a reasonable possibility that we may incur losses with respect to the aforementioned matter, we do not believe a loss is probable at this time. Our management will continue to evaluate the potential exposure related to this matter in future periods.

(11) Segment Reporting

We have two operating segments, Domestic and Global. Our Chief Executive Officer is our chief operating decision maker ("CODM"). Revenues are derived primarily from the sale of clinical, financial and administrative information systems and solutions. The cost of revenues includes the cost of third party consulting services, computer hardware, devices and sublicensed software purchased from manufacturers for delivery to clients. It also includes the cost of hardware maintenance and sublicensed software support subcontracted to the manufacturers. Operating expenses

incurred by the geographic business segments consist of sales and client service expenses including salaries of sales and client service personnel, communications expenses and unreimbursed travel expenses. "Other" includes expenses that have not been allocated to the operating segments, such as software development, marketing, general and administrative, share-based compensation expense and depreciation. Performance of the segments is assessed at the operating earnings level and, therefore, the segment operations have been presented as such, as our CODM reviews segment performance exclusive of these charges. Items such as interest, income taxes, capital expenditures and total assets are managed at the consolidated level and thus are not included in our operating segment disclosures. Accounting policies for each of the reportable segments are the same as those used on a consolidated basis.

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The following table presents a summary of our operating segments and other expense for the three and nine months ended September 27, 2014 and September 28, 2013:

| (In thousands) | Domestic | Global | Other | Total |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Three Months Ended 2014 | | | | |
| Revenues | \$741,830 | \$98,319 | \$— | \$840,149 |
| Cost of revenues | 126,223 | 13,842 | — | 140,065 |
| Operating expenses | 170,709 | 30,531 | 310,690 | 511,930 |
| Total costs and expenses | 296,932 | 44,373 | 310,690 | 651,995 |
| Operating earnings (loss) | \$444,898 | \$53,946 | \$(310,690) | \$188,154 |
| (In thousands) | Domestic | Global | Other | Total |
| Three Months Ended 2013 | | | | |
| Revenues | \$641,541 | \$86,289 | \$— | \$727,830 |
| Cost of revenues | 107,560 | 12,017 | — | 119,577 |
| Operating expenses | 148,478 | 34,078 | 256,459 | 439,015 |
| Total costs and expenses | 256,038 | 46,095 | 256,459 | 558,592 |
| Operating earnings (loss) | \$385,503 | \$40,194 | \$(256,459) | \$169,238 |
| (In thousands) | Domestic | Global | Other | Total |
| Nine Months Ended 2014 | | | | |
| Revenues | \$2,206,297 | \$270,375 | \$— | \$2,476,672 |
| Cost of revenues | 389,344 | 42,189 | — | 431,533 |
| Operating expenses | 497,428 | 98,835 | 891,086 | 1,487,349 |
| Total costs and expenses | 886,772 | 141,024 | 891,086 | 1,918,882 |
| Operating earnings (loss) | \$1,319,525 | \$129,351 | \$(891,086) | \$557,790 |
| (In thousands) | Domestic | Global | Other | Total |
| Nine Months Ended 2013 | | | | |
| Revenues | \$1,837,171 | \$278,249 | \$— | \$2,115,420 |
| Cost of revenues | 327,356 | 45,250 | — | 372,606 |
| Operating expenses | 439,345 | 84,685 | 726,521 | 1,250,551 |
| Total costs and expenses | 766,701 | 129,935 | 726,521 | 1,623,157 |
| Operating earnings (loss) | \$1,070,470 | \$148,314 | \$(726,521) | \$492,263 |

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

The following Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is intended to help the reader understand the results of operations and financial condition of Cerner Corporation (Cerner, the Company, we, us or our). This MD&A is provided as a supplement to, and should be read in conjunction with, our financial statements and the accompanying notes to the financial statements (Notes) found above.

Our third fiscal quarter ends on the Saturday closest to September 30. The 2014 and 2013 third quarters ended on September 27, 2014 and September 28, 2013, respectively. All references to years in this MD&A represent the respective three or nine months ended on such dates, unless otherwise noted.

Except for the historical information and discussions contained herein, statements contained in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q may constitute "forward looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act). Forward-looking statements can often be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology, such as "could," "should," "will," "intends," "continue," "believe," "may," "expect," "anticipate," "goal," "forecast," "plan," or "estimate" or the negative of these words, variations thereof or similar expressions. These statements involve a number of risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially, including without limitation: the possibility of product-related liabilities; potential claims for system errors and warranties; the possibility of interruption at our data centers or client support facilities; our proprietary technology may be subject to claims for infringement or misappropriation of intellectual property rights of others, or may be infringed or misappropriated by others; risks associated with our non-U.S. operations; risks associated with our ability to effectively hedge exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates; the potential for tax legislation initiatives that could adversely affect our tax position and/or challenges to our tax positions in the United States and non-U.S. countries; risks associated with our recruitment and retention of key personnel; risks related to our reliance on third party suppliers; risks inherent with business acquisitions and other combinations; and the integration thereof, such as difficulties and operational and financial risks associated with integrating Cerner and Siemens Health Services; the potential for losses resulting from asset impairment charges; risks associated with volatility and disruption resulting from global economic conditions; managing growth in the new markets in which we offer solutions, health care devices and services; changing political, economic, regulatory and judicial influences; government regulation; significant competition and market changes; variations in our quarterly operating results; potential inconsistencies in our sales forecasts compared to actual sales; volatility in the trading price of our common stock and the timing and volume of market activity; the authority of our Board of Directors to issue preferred stock and anti-takeover provisions contained in our corporate governance documents; material adverse resolution of legal proceedings; the risk of uncertainty as to timing of the consummation of an acquisition; risks that any of the closing conditions to the proposed acquisition of Siemens Health Services may not be satisfied or may not be satisfied in a timely manner; risks related to disruption of management time from ongoing business operations due to the proposed acquisition of Siemens Health Services; failure to realize the synergies and other benefits expected from the proposed acquisition of Siemens Health Services; risk that the assets and business acquired may not continue to be commercially successful; the effect of the proposed acquisition of Siemens Health Services on the ability of Cerner to retain customers and retain and hire key personnel and maintain relationships with key suppliers; unexpected costs, charges or expenses resulting from the acquisition of Siemens Health Services; litigation or claims relating to the transaction or the acquired assets and business; and, other risks, uncertainties and factors discussed elsewhere in this Form 10-Q, in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission or in materials incorporated herein or therein by reference. Forward looking statements are not guarantees of future performance or results. The reader should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements since the statements speak only as to the date they are made. We undertake no obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements to reflect changed assumptions, the occurrence of unanticipated events or changes in future operating results, financial condition or business over time.

Management Overview

Our revenues are primarily derived by selling, implementing and supporting software solutions, clinical content, hardware, devices and services that give health care providers secure access to clinical, administrative and financial data in real time, allowing them to improve quality, safety and efficiency in the delivery of health care.

Our fundamental strategic focus is the creation of organic growth by investing in research and development (R&D) to create solutions and services for the health care industry. This strategy has driven strong growth over the long-term, as reflected in five- and ten-year compound annual revenue growth rates of 12% or more. This growth has also created an important strategic footprint in health care, with Cerner® solutions licensed by approximately 14,000 facilities around the world, including more than 3,000 hospitals; 4,900 physician practices; 60,000 physicians; 590 ambulatory facilities, such as laboratories, ambulatory centers, behavioral health centers, cardiac facilities, radiology clinics and surgery centers; 3,500 extended care

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facilities; 150 employer sites and 1,790 retail pharmacies. Selling additional solutions back into this client base is an important element of our future revenue growth. We are also focused on driving growth through market share expansion by strategically aligning with health care providers that have not yet selected a supplier and by displacing competitors in health care settings that are open to replacing their current supplier.

We expect to drive growth through solutions and services that reflect our ongoing ability to innovate and expand our reach into health care. Examples of these include our CareAware[®] health care device architecture and devices, Cerner ITWorksSM services, revenue cycle solutions and services, and population health solutions and services. Finally, we believe there is significant opportunity for growth outside of the United States, with many non-U.S. markets focused on health care information technology as part of their strategy to improve the quality and lower the cost of health care.

Beyond our strategy for driving revenue growth, we are also focused on earnings growth. Similar to our history of growing revenue, our net earnings have increased at compound annual rates of more than 16% over the most recent five- and ten-year periods. We expect to drive continued earnings growth through ongoing revenue growth coupled with margin expansion, which we expect to achieve through efficiencies in our implementation and operational processes and by leveraging R&D investments and controlling general and administrative expenses.

We are also focused on continuing to deliver strong levels of cash flow, which we expect to accomplish by continuing to grow earnings and prudently managing capital expenditures.

Results Overview

The Company delivered strong levels of bookings, revenues, earnings and operating cash flows in the third quarter of 2014.

New business bookings revenue, which reflects the value of executed contracts for software, hardware, professional services and managed services, was \$1.1 billion in the third quarter of 2014, which was an increase of 19% compared to \$928.0 million in the third quarter of 2013. Revenues for the third quarter of 2014 increased 15% to \$840.1 million compared to \$727.8 million in the third quarter of 2013. The year-over-year increase in revenue reflects ongoing demand for Cerner's core solutions and services driven by the HITECH Act and other regulatory requirements, and increased contributions from Cerner ITWorks and Cerner revenue cycle solutions and services.

Third quarter 2014 net earnings increased 12% to \$129.0 million compared to \$115.3 million in the third quarter of 2013. Diluted earnings per share increased 12% to \$0.37 compared to \$0.33 in the third quarter of 2013. The growth in net earnings and diluted earnings per share was driven by strong growth in services and higher margin components of system sales.

Third quarter 2014 and 2013 net earnings and diluted earnings per share reflect the impact of stock-based compensation expense. The effect of these expenses reduced the third quarter 2014 net earnings and diluted earnings per share by \$10.4 million and \$0.03, respectively, and the third quarter 2013 net earnings and diluted earnings per share by \$8.2 million and \$0.02, respectively. The third quarter 2014 net earnings and diluted earnings per share also reflect the impact of acquisition costs related to our pending acquisition of Siemens Health Services, as further described in Note (2) of our notes to condensed consolidated financial statements. These costs reduced net earnings and diluted earnings per share by \$5.9 million and \$0.02, respectively.

We had cash collections of receivables of \$858.3 million in the third quarter of 2014 compared to \$766.1 million in the third quarter of 2013. Days sales outstanding was 67 days for the third quarter of 2014 compared to 66 days for the second quarter of 2014 and the third quarter of 2013. Operating cash flows for the third quarter of 2014 were \$219.5 million compared to \$164.2 million in the third quarter of 2013.

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Results of Operations

Three Months Ended September 27, 2014 Compared to Three Months Ended September 28, 2013

The following table presents a summary of the operating information for the third quarters of 2014 and 2013:

| (In thousands) | 2014 | % of Revenue | 2013 | % of Revenue | % Change |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Revenues | | | | | |
| System sales | \$224,345 | 27 % | \$202,632 | 28 % | 11 % |
| Support and maintenance | 177,450 | 21 % | 166,308 | 23 % | 7 % |
| Services | 415,618 | 49 % | 342,212 | 47 % | 21 % |
| Reimbursed travel | 22,736 | 3 % | 16,678 | 2 % | 36 % |
| Total revenues | 840,149 | 100 % | 727,830 | 100 % | 15 % |
| Costs of revenue | | | | | |
| Costs of revenue | 140,065 | 17 % | 119,577 | 16 % | 17 % |
| Total margin | 700,084 | 83 % | 608,253 | 84 % | 15 % |
| Operating expenses | | | | | |
| Sales and client service | 346,417 | 41 % | 304,665 | 42 % | 14 % |
| Software development | 97,026 | 12 % | 82,998 | 11 % | 17 % |
| General and administrative | 68,487 | 8 % | 51,352 | 7 % | 33 % |
| Total operating expenses | 511,930 | 61 % | 439,015 | 60 % | 17 % |
| Total costs and expenses | 651,995 | 78 % | 558,592 | 77 % | 17 % |
| Operating earnings | 188,154 | 22 % | 169,238 | 23 % | 11 % |
| Other income, net | 2,181 | | 3,509 | | |
| Income taxes | (61,333) | | (57,403) | | |
| Net earnings | \$129,002 | | \$115,344 | | 12 % |

Revenues & Backlog

Revenues increased 15% to \$840.1 million in the third quarter of 2014, as compared to \$727.8 million in the third quarter of 2013.

System sales, which include revenues from the sale of licensed software (including perpetual license sales and software as a service), technology resale (hardware, devices, and sublicensed software), deployment period licensed software upgrade rights, installation fees, transaction processing and subscriptions, increased 11% to \$224.3 million in the third quarter of 2014 from \$202.6 million for the same period in 2013. The increase in system sales was primarily driven by strong growth in software of \$18.1 million.

Support and maintenance revenues increased 7% to \$177.5 million in the third quarter of 2014 compared to \$166.3 million during the same period in 2013. This increase was attributable to continued success at selling Cerner Millennium® applications and implementing them at client sites. We expect that support and maintenance revenues will continue to grow as the base of installed Cerner Millennium systems grows.

Services revenue, which includes professional services, excluding installation, and managed services, increased 21% to \$415.6 million in the third quarter of 2014 from \$342.2 million for the same period in 2013. This increase was driven by growth in CernerWorksSM managed services of \$14.1 million as a result of continued demand for our

hosting services and a \$59.3 million increase in professional services due to growth in implementation and consulting activities.

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Contract backlog, which reflects new business bookings that have not yet been recognized as revenue, increased 22% in the third quarter of 2014 when compared to the same period in 2013. This increase was driven by growth in new business bookings during the past four quarters, including continued strong levels of managed services, Cerner ITWorks, and Cerner revenue cycle services bookings that typically have longer contract terms. A summary of our total backlog follows:

| (In thousands) | September 27, 2014 | September 28, 2013 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Contract backlog | \$9,342,069 | \$ 7,627,181 |
| Support and maintenance backlog | 814,008 | 769,847 |
| Total backlog | \$ 10,156,077 | \$ 8,397,028 |

Costs of Revenue

Cost of revenues as a percentage of total revenues was 17% in the third quarter of 2014, compared to 16% in the same period of 2013. The higher cost of revenues as a percent of revenue was driven by a higher amount of third party resources being utilized for support and services.

Cost of revenues includes the cost of reimbursed travel expense, sales commissions, third party consulting services and subscription content and computer hardware, devices and sublicensed software purchased from manufacturers for delivery to clients. It also includes the cost of hardware maintenance and sublicensed software support subcontracted to the manufacturers. Such costs, as a percent of revenues, typically have varied as the mix of revenue (software, hardware, devices, maintenance, support, services and reimbursed travel) carrying different margin rates changes from period to period. Cost of revenues does not include the costs of our client service personnel who are responsible for delivering our service offerings. Such costs are included in sales and client service expense.

Operating Expenses

Total operating expenses increased 17% to \$511.9 million in the third quarter of 2014, compared with \$439.0 million in the third quarter of 2013.

Sales and client service expenses as a percent of total revenues were 41% in the third quarter of 2014, compared to 42% in the same period of 2013. These expenses increased 14% to \$346.4 million in the third quarter of 2014, from \$304.7 million in the same period of 2013. Sales and client service expenses include salaries of sales and client service personnel, depreciation and other expenses associated with our CernerWorks managed service business, communications expenses, unreimbursed travel expenses, expense for share-based payments, sales and marketing salaries and trade show and advertising costs. The increase was driven by strong services growth.

Software development expenses as a percent of revenue were 12% in the third quarter of 2014, compared to 11% in the same period of 2013. Expenditures for software development reflect ongoing development and enhancement of the Cerner Millennium and Health Intent platforms, with a focus on supporting key initiatives to enhance physician experience, revenue cycle and population health solutions. A summary of our total software development expense in the third quarters of 2014 and 2013 is as follows:

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended 2014 | 2013 |
|---|----------------------------|------------------|
| Software development costs | \$ 115,749 | \$ 106,986 |
| Capitalized software costs | (43,523) | (47,492) |
| Capitalized costs related to share-based payments | (572) | (552) |
| Amortization of capitalized software costs | 25,372 | 24,056 |
| Total software development expense | \$ 97,026 | \$ 82,998 |

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General and administrative expenses as a percent of total revenues were 8% in the third quarter of 2014, compared to 7% in the same period of 2013. These expenses increased 33% to \$68.5 million in 2014, from \$51.4 million for the same period in 2013. General and administrative expenses include salaries for corporate, financial and administrative staffs, utilities, communications expenses, professional fees, depreciation and amortization, transaction gains or losses on foreign currency, expense for share-based payments and acquisition costs. The increase in general and administrative expenses was primarily driven by \$9.4 million of acquisition costs related to

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our pending acquisition of Siemens Health Services and a \$3.1 million increase in corporate personnel costs, as we have continued to increase such personnel to support our overall revenue growth.

Non-Operating Items

Other income was \$2.2 million in the third quarter of 2014 and \$3.5 million in the same period of 2013. This decrease is primarily due to the 2013 period included a gain recognized on the sale of one of our cost method investments.

Our effective tax rate was 32.2% for the third quarter of 2014 and 33.2% for the third quarter of 2013. This decrease is primarily due to an increase in net favorable discrete items recorded in 2014 relative to 2013, partially offset by the expiration of the research and development tax credit in 2014. Refer to Note (6) of the notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Operations by Segment

We have two operating segments: Domestic and Global. The Domestic segment includes revenue contributions and expenditures associated with business activity in the United States. The Global segment includes revenue contributions and expenditures linked to business activity in Aruba, Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Cayman Islands, Chile, Egypt, England, France, Germany, Guam, India, Ireland, Israel, Malaysia, Mexico, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Spain, Switzerland and the United Arab Emirates.

The following table presents a summary of the operating information for the third quarters of 2014 and 2013:

| (In thousands) | 2014 | % of Revenue | 2013 | % of Revenue | % Change |
|---------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|----------|
| Domestic Segment Revenues | \$741,830 | 100% | \$641,541 | 100% | 16% |
| Costs of revenue | 126,223 | 17% | 107,560 | 17% | 17% |
| Operating expenses | 170,709 | 23% | 148,478 | 23% | 15% |
| Total costs and expenses | 296,932 | 40% | 256,038 | 40% | 16% |
| Domestic operating earnings | 444,898 | 60% | 385,503 | 60% | 15% |
| Global Segment Revenues | 98,319 | 100% | 86,289 | 100% | 14% |
| Costs of revenue | 13,842 | 14% | 12,017 | 14% | 15% |
| Operating expenses | 30,531 | 31% | 34,078 | 39% | (10)% |
| Total costs and expenses | 44,373 | 45% | 46,095 | 53% | (4)% |
| Global operating earnings | 53,946 | 55% | 40,194 | 47% | 34% |
| Other, net | (310,690) | | (256,459) | | 21% |
| Consolidated operating earnings | \$188,154 | | \$169,238 | | 11% |

Domestic Segment

Revenues increased 16% to \$741.8 million in the third quarter of 2014 from \$641.5 million in the same period of 2013. This increase was driven by strong growth across most of our business.

Cost of revenues was 17% of revenues in the third quarters of 2014 and 2013.

Operating expenses increased 15% to \$170.7 million in the third quarter of 2014 from \$148.5 million in the same period of 2013, due primarily to growth in professional services expenses.

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Global Segment

Revenues increased 14% to \$98.3 million in the third quarter of 2014 from \$86.3 million in the same period of 2013. This increase was driven by growth in managed services of \$4.1 million as a result of continued demand for our hosting services and a \$7.0 million increase in professional services due to growth in implementation and consulting activities.

Cost of revenues was 14% of revenues in the third quarters of 2014 and 2013.

Operating expenses were at \$30.5 million in the third quarter of 2014, compared to \$34.1 million in the same period of 2013, primarily due to a decrease in bad debt expense.

Other, net

Operating results not attributed to an operating segment include expenses, such as centralized professional services costs, software development, marketing, general and administrative, stock-based compensation, acquisition costs, depreciation, and amortization. These expenses increased 21% to \$310.7 million in the third quarter of 2014 from \$256.5 million in the same period of 2013. This increase was primarily due to an increase in corporate and development personnel costs, as we have increased such personnel to support our overall revenue growth and development initiatives. The 2014 period also includes \$9.4 million in acquisition costs related to our pending acquisition of Siemens Health Services.

Nine Months Ended September 27, 2014 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 28, 2013

The following table presents a summary of the operating information for the first nine months of 2014 and 2013:

| (In thousands) | 2014 | % of Revenue | 2013 | % of Revenue | % Change | |
|----------------------------|------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|--|
| Revenues | | | | | | |
| System sales | \$665,595 | 27 % | \$602,037 | 28 % | 11 % | |
| Support and maintenance | 527,654 | 21 % | 491,824 | 23 % | 7 % | |
| Services | 1,211,010 | 49 % | 969,899 | 46 % | 25 % | |
| Reimbursed travel | 72,413 | 3 % | 51,660 | 2 % | 40 % | |
| Total revenues | 2,476,672 | 100 % | 2,115,420 | 100 % | 17 % | |
| Costs of revenue | | | | | | |
| Costs of revenue | 431,533 | 17 % | 372,606 | 18 % | 16 % | |
| Total margin | 2,045,139 | 83 % | 1,742,814 | 82 % | 17 % | |
| Operating expenses | | | | | | |
| Sales and client service | 1,020,552 | 41 % | 853,213 | 40 % | 20 % | |
| Software development | 285,897 | 12 % | 246,343 | 12 % | 16 % | |
| General and administrative | 180,900 | 7 % | 150,995 | 7 % | 20 % | |
| Total operating expenses | 1,487,349 | 60 % | 1,250,551 | 59 % | 19 % | |
| Total costs and expenses | 1,918,882 | 77 % | 1,623,157 | 77 % | 18 % | |
| Operating earnings | 557,790 | 23 % | 492,263 | 23 % | 13 % | |
| Other income, net | 7,908 | | 9,286 | | | |
| Income taxes | (188,137) | | (163,258) | | | |
| Net earnings | \$377,561 | | \$338,291 | | 12 % | |

Revenues & Backlog

Revenues increased 17% to \$2.5 billion in the first nine months of 2014, as compared to \$2.1 billion in the first nine months of 2013.

System sales increased 11% to \$665.6 million in the first nine months of 2014 from \$602.0 million for the same period in 2013. The increase in system sales was primarily driven by strong growth in software and subscriptions of \$55.4 million and \$17.5 million, respectively, partially offset by an \$8.7 million decline in technology resale.

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Support and maintenance revenues increased 7% to \$527.7 million in the first nine months of 2014 compared to \$491.8 million during the same period in 2013. This increase was attributable to continued success at selling Cerner Millennium applications and implementing them at client sites. We expect that support and maintenance revenues will continue to grow as the base of installed Cerner Millennium systems grows.

Services revenue increased 25% to \$1.2 billion in the first nine months of 2014 from \$969.9 million for the same period in 2013. This increase was driven by growth in CernerWorks managed services of \$43.8 million as a result of continued demand for our hosting services and a \$197.4 million increase in professional services due to growth in implementation and consulting activities.

Costs of Revenue

Cost of revenues as a percentage of total revenues was 17% in the first nine months of 2014, compared to 18% in the same period of 2013. The lower cost of revenues as a percent of revenue was driven by a lower mix of technology resale, which carries a higher cost of revenue.

Operating Expenses

Total operating expenses increased 19% to \$1.5 billion in the first nine months of 2014, compared with \$1.3 billion in the same period of 2013.

Sales and client service expenses as a percent of total revenues were 41% in the first nine months of 2014, compared to 40% in the same period of 2013. These expenses increased 20% to \$1.0 billion in the first nine months of 2014, from \$853.2 million in the same period of 2013. The increase as a percent of revenue reflects a higher mix of services during the period that was driven by strong services growth and the decline in technology resale revenue.

Software development expenses as a percent of revenue were 12% in the first nine months of 2014 and 2013.

Expenditures for software development reflect ongoing development and enhancement of the Cerner Millennium and Health Intent platforms, with a focus on supporting key initiatives to enhance physician experience, revenue cycle and population health solutions. A summary of our total software development expense in the first nine months of 2014 and 2013 is as follows:

| (In thousands) | Nine Months Ended | |
|---|-------------------|------------|
| | 2014 | 2013 |
| Software development costs | \$341,248 | \$302,928 |
| Capitalized software costs | (128,732) | (124,105) |
| Capitalized costs related to share-based payments | (2,029) | (1,846) |
| Amortization of capitalized software costs | 75,410 | 69,366 |
| Total software development expense | \$285,897 | \$246,343 |

General and administrative expenses as a percent of total revenues were 7% in the first nine months of 2014 and 2013. These expenses increased 20% to \$180.9 million in 2014, from \$151.0 million for the same period in 2013. The increase in general and administrative expenses was primarily driven by \$9.4 million of acquisition costs related to our pending acquisition of Siemens Health Services and a \$12.2 million increase in corporate personnel costs, as we have continued to increase such personnel to support our overall revenue growth.

Non-Operating Items

Other income decreased to \$7.9 million in the first nine months of 2014 from \$9.3 million in the same period of 2013. This decrease is primarily due to the reductions to interest expense for interest capitalized during the construction of our Continuous Campus in the 2013 period.

Our effective tax rate was 33.3% for the first nine months of 2014 and 32.6% for the first nine months of 2013. This increase is primarily a result of the favorable discrete item recorded in the first quarter of 2013 for the retroactive extension of the 2012 research and development credit and the expiration of the same credit at the end of 2013. Refer to Note (6) of the notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Operations by Segment

The following table presents a summary of the operating information for the first nine months of 2014 and 2013:

| (In thousands) | 2014 | % of Revenue | 2013 | % of Revenue | % Change |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|----------|
| Domestic Segment | | | | | |
| Revenues | \$2,206,297 | 100% | \$1,837,171 | 100% | 20% |
| Costs of revenue | 389,344 | 18% | 327,356 | 18% | 19% |
| Operating expenses | 497,428 | 23% | 439,345 | 24% | 13% |
| Total costs and expenses | 886,772 | 40% | 766,701 | 42% | 16% |
| Domestic operating earnings | 1,319,525 | 60% | 1,070,470 | 58% | 23% |
| Global Segment | | | | | |
| Revenues | 270,375 | 100% | 278,249 | 100% | (3)% |
| Costs of revenue | 42,189 | 16% | 45,250 | 16% | (7)% |
| Operating expenses | 98,835 | 37% | 84,685 | 30% | 17% |
| Total costs and expenses | 141,024 | 52% | 129,935 | 47% | 9% |
| Global operating earnings | 129,351 | 48% | 148,314 | 53% | (13)% |
| Other, net | (891,086) | | (726,521) | | 23% |
| Consolidated operating earnings | \$557,790 | | \$492,263 | | 13% |

Domestic Segment

Revenues increased 20% to \$2.2 billion in the first nine months of 2014 from \$1.8 billion in the first nine months of 2013. This increase was driven by strong growth across most of our business, with the exception of technology resale, which declined slightly.

Cost of revenues was 18% of revenues in the first nine months of 2014 and 2013.

Operating expenses increased 13% to \$497.4 million in the first nine months of 2014 from \$439.3 million in the same period of 2013, due primarily to growth in professional services expenses.

Global Segment

Revenues decreased 3% to \$270.4 million in the first nine months of 2014 from \$278.2 million in the same period of 2013. This decrease was primarily driven by declines in software and technology resale revenues of \$13.4 million and \$5.1 million, respectively, partially offset by increases in managed services and professional services of \$4.2 million and \$8.2 million, respectively.

Cost of revenues was 16% of revenues in the first nine months of 2014 and 2013.

Operating expenses were at \$98.8 million in the first nine months of 2014, compared to \$84.7 million in the same period of 2013, primarily due to an increase in bad debt expense.

Other, net

These expenses increased 23% to \$891.1 million in the first nine months of 2014 from \$726.5 million in the same period of 2013. This increase was primarily due to an increase in corporate and development personnel costs, as we have increased such personnel to support our overall revenue growth and development initiatives. The 2014 period also includes \$9.4 million in acquisition costs related to our pending acquisition of Siemens Health Services.

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Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our liquidity is influenced by many factors, including the amount and timing of our revenues, our cash collections from our clients and the amount we invest in software development, acquisitions and capital expenditures.

Our principal sources of liquidity are our cash, cash equivalents, which primarily consist of commercial paper, money market funds and time deposits with original maturities of less than 90 days, and short-term investments. At September 27, 2014, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$496.5 million and short-term investments of \$835.3 million, as compared to cash and cash equivalents of \$202.4 million and short-term investments of \$677.0 million at December 28, 2013.

The non-U.S. subsidiaries for which we have elected to indefinitely reinvest earnings outside of the U.S. held approximately 13% of our aggregate cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments at September 27, 2014. As part of our current business strategy, we plan to indefinitely reinvest the earnings of these foreign operations; however, should the earnings of these foreign operations be repatriated, we would accrue and pay tax on such earnings, which may be material.

Additionally, we maintain a \$100.0 million multi-year revolving credit facility, which expires in February 2017. The facility provides an unsecured revolving line of credit for working capital purposes, along with a letter of credit facility. Interest is payable at a rate based on prime, LIBOR, or the U.S. federal funds rate, plus a spread that varies depending on the leverage ratios maintained. The agreement provides certain restrictions on our ability to borrow, incur liens, sell assets and pay dividends and contains certain cash flow and liquidity covenants. As of September 27, 2014, we were in compliance with all debt covenants. As of September 27, 2014, we had no outstanding borrowings under this agreement; however, we had \$17.1 million of outstanding letters of credit, which reduced our available borrowing capacity to \$82.9 million.

We believe that our present cash position, together with cash generated from operations, short-term investments and, if necessary, our available line of credit, will be sufficient to meet anticipated cash requirements for the next twelve months.

The following table summarizes our cash flows in the first nine months of 2014 and 2013:

| (In thousands) | Nine Months Ended | |
|--|-------------------|--------------|
| | 2014 | 2013 |
| Cash flows from operating activities | \$623,579 | \$554,385 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | (194,722) | (458,944) |
| Cash flows from financing activities | (131,378) | (122,452) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash | (3,362) | (2,589) |
| Total change in cash and cash equivalents | 294,117 | (29,600) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 202,377 | 317,120 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$496,494 | \$287,520 |
| Free cash flow (non-GAAP) | \$292,446 | \$210,028 |
| Cash from Operating Activities | | |
| (In thousands) | Nine Months Ended | |
| | 2014 | 2013 |
| Cash collections from clients | \$2,569,815 | \$2,268,812 |
| Cash paid to employees and suppliers and other | (1,802,794) | (1,545,440) |
| Cash paid for interest | (3,882) | (4,677) |

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash paid for taxes, net of refunds | (139,560) | (164,310) |
| Total cash from operations | \$623,579 | \$554,385 |

Cash flow from operations increased \$69.2 million in the first nine months of 2014 when compared to the same period of 2013 due primarily to the increase in cash impacting earnings, partially offset by cash used to fund working capital requirements. During the first nine months of 2014 and 2013, we received total client cash collections of \$2.6 billion and \$2.3 billion, of which 2% were received from third party client financing arrangements and non-recourse payment assignments. Days sales outstanding was 67 days in the third quarter of 2014, compared to 66 days in the second quarter of 2014 and

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the third quarter of 2013. Revenues provided under support and maintenance agreements represent recurring cash flows. Support and maintenance revenues increased 7% in the first nine months of 2014 compared to the same period of 2013. We expect these revenues to continue to grow as the base of installed Cerner Millennium systems grows.

Cash from Investing Activities

| (In thousands) | Nine Months Ended | |
|---|-------------------|-------------|
| | 2014 | 2013 |
| Capital purchases | \$(200,372) | \$(218,406) |
| Capitalized software development costs | (130,761) | (125,951) |
| Sales and maturities of investments, net of purchases | 154,125 | (6,913) |
| Purchases of other intangibles | (10,238) | (39,797) |
| Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired | (7,476) | (67,877) |
| Total cash flows from investing activities | \$(194,722) | \$(458,944) |

Cash flows from investing activities consist primarily of capital spending and our short-term investment activities.

Our capital spending in 2014 has been driven by capitalized equipment purchases primarily to support growth in our CernerWorks managed services business, investments in a cloud infrastructure to support cloud-based solutions, building and improvement purchases to support our facilities requirements and capitalized spending to support our ongoing software development initiatives.

Short-term investment activity has historically consisted of the investment of cash generated by our business in excess of what is necessary to fund operations. The 2014 activity is impacted by a change in investment mix, whereas we have invested more heavily in cash equivalents versus short-term and long-term investments, as we prepare to fund our acquisition of Siemens Health Services. Consideration for this pending acquisition is expected to total \$1.3 billion in cash, and close in our first fiscal quarter of 2015. Refer to Notes (2) and (4) of the notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

During 2014, we acquired 100% of the outstanding membership interests of InterMedHx for \$7.5 million. In 2013, we acquired the net assets of PureWellness and 100% of the outstanding stock of Labotix for \$67.5 million, net of cash acquired. We expect to continue seeking and completing strategic business acquisitions that are complementary to our business.

Cash from Financing Activities

| (In thousands) | Nine Months Ended | |
|---|-------------------|-------------|
| | 2014 | 2013 |
| Repayment of long-term debt and capital lease obligations | \$(75) | \$(9,756) |
| Cash from option exercises (including excess tax benefits) | 45,502 | 53,323 |
| Treasury stock purchases | (217,082) | (170,042) |
| Cash grants | 48,000 | — |
| Contingent consideration payments for acquisition of businesses | (10,617) | (800) |
| Other | 2,894 | 4,823 |
| Total cash flows from financing activities | \$(131,378) | \$(122,452) |

Cash inflows from stock option exercises are dependent on a number of factors, including the price of our common stock, grant activity under our stock option and equity plans, and overall market volatility. We expect cash inflows from stock option exercises to continue throughout 2014 based on the number of exercisable options as of September 27, 2014 and our current stock price.

In May 2014, our Board of Directors approved an amendment to the stock repurchase program that was authorized in December 2013. Under the amendment, the Company may repurchase shares of our common stock up to an aggregate of \$317.0 million, excluding transaction costs. During the nine months ended September 27, 2014, we purchased 4.1 million shares for total consideration of \$217.1 million. At September 27, 2014, \$100.0 million remains available for purchases under the program. We may continue to purchase shares under this program in 2014, which will be dependent on a number of factors, including the price of our common stock.

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During the nine months ended September 28, 2013, we purchased 3.6 million shares of our common stock for total consideration of \$170.0 million, under a separate program which was completed in August 2013.

In January 2014 we received \$48.0 million of cash grants from the Kansas Department of Commerce for project costs in connection with the construction of our Continuous Campus.

In September 2014 we paid \$10.6 million of the contingent consideration related to our acquisition of PureWellness.

Free Cash Flow

| (In thousands) | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|---|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|------------|
| | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 |
| Cash flows from operating activities (GAAP) | \$219,521 | \$164,230 | \$623,579 | \$554,385 |
| Capital purchases | (68,375) | (83,419) | (200,372) | (218,406) |
| Capitalized software development costs | (44,095) | (48,044) | (130,761) | (125,951) |
| Free cash flow (non-GAAP) | \$107,051 | \$32,767 | \$292,446 | \$210,028 |

Free cash flow increased \$82.4 million in the first nine months of 2014 compared to the same period in 2013. This increase is due to an increase in cash flows from operations combined with a decrease in capital purchases, primarily due to the completion of construction on our Continuous Campus. Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure used by management along with GAAP results to analyze our earnings quality and overall cash generation of the business. The presentation of free cash flow is not meant to be considered in isolation, nor as a substitute for, or superior to, GAAP results and investors should be aware that non-GAAP measures have inherent limitations and should be read only in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP. Free cash flow may also be different from similar non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies and may not be comparable to similarly titled captions of other companies due to potential inconsistencies in the method of calculation. We believe free cash flow is important to enable investors to better understand and evaluate our ongoing operating results and allows for greater transparency in the review of our overall financial, operational and economic performance, because free cash flow takes into account the capital expenditures necessary to operate our business.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Refer to Note (1) of the notes to condensed consolidated financial statements for information regarding recently issued accounting pronouncements.

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Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

No material changes.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

The Company's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) have evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in the Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q (the Evaluation Date). They have concluded that, as of the Evaluation Date, these disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that material information relating to the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries would be made known to them by others within those entities and would be disclosed on a timely basis. The CEO and CFO have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are designed, and are effective, to give reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time period specified in the rules and forms of the SEC. They have also concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that are filed or submitted under the Exchange Act are accumulated and communicated to the Company's management to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There were no changes in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter ended September 27, 2014, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting.

The Company's management, including its CEO and CFO, has concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting are designed to provide reasonable assurance of achieving their objectives and are effective at that reasonable assurance level. However, the Company's management can provide no assurance that our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal control over financial reporting can prevent all errors and all fraud under all circumstances. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been or will be detected. The design of any system of controls also is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions; over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or the degree of compliance with policies or procedures may deteriorate. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

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Part II. Other Information

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

(c) Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

The table below provides information with respect to Common Stock purchases by the Company during the third fiscal quarter of 2014.

(In thousands, except per share data)

| Period | Total Number of Shares Purchased (a) | Average Price Paid per Share | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs (b) | Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (b) |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| June 29, 2014 - July 26, 2014 | — | — | — | \$100,000 |
| July 27, 2014 - August 23, 2014 | — | — | — | 100,000 |
| August 24, 2014 - September 27, 2014 | 6 | \$59.88 | — | 100,000 |
| Total | 6 | \$59.88 | — | |

All of the shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, presented on the table above, were originally granted to employees as restricted stock pursuant to our 2011 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan (the Plan). The Plan allows (a) for the withholding of shares to satisfy minimum tax obligations due upon the vesting of restricted stock, and pursuant to the Plan, the shares reflected above were relinquished by employees in exchange for our agreement to pay federal and state withholding obligations resulting from the vesting of the Company's restricted stock.

As announced in December 2013, and subsequently amended in May 2014, our Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program for an aggregate purchase of up to \$317.0 million of our Common Stock. During the (b) nine months ended September 27, 2014, the Company repurchased 4.1 million shares for total consideration of \$217.0 million pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan. Refer to Note (8) of the notes to condensed consolidated financial statements for further information regarding our stock repurchase program.

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Item 6. Exhibits

(a) Exhibits

- 2.1 Master Sale and Purchase Agreement between Siemens AG and Cerner Corporation dated 5 August 2014
- 31.1 Certification of Neal L. Patterson pursuant to Section 302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 31.2 Certification of Marc G. Naughton pursuant to Section 302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.1 Certification of Neal L. Patterson pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.2 Certification of Marc G. Naughton pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

- 101.INS XBRL Instance Document
- 101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
- 101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
- 101.LAB XBRL Taxonomy Extension Labels Linkbase Document
- 101.PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
- 101.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document

PLEASE NOTE: Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, we have filed the agreement referenced above as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 10-Q. The agreement has been filed to provide investors with information regarding its respective terms. The agreement is not intended to provide any other factual information about the Company or its business or operations. In particular, the assertions embodied in any representations, warranties and covenants contained in the agreement may be subject to qualifications with respect to knowledge and materiality different from those applicable to investors and may be qualified by information in confidential disclosure schedules not included with the exhibit. These disclosure schedules may contain information that modifies, qualifies and creates exceptions to the representations, warranties and covenants set forth in the agreement. Moreover, certain representations, warranties and covenants in the agreement may have been used for the purpose of allocating risk between the parties, rather than establishing matters as facts. In addition, information concerning the subject matter of the representations, warranties and covenants may have changed after the date of the respective agreement, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in the Company's public disclosures. Accordingly, investors should not rely on the representations, warranties and covenants in the agreement as characterizations of the actual state of facts about the Company or its business or operations on the date hereof.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

CERNER CORPORATION
Registrant

Date: October 24, 2014

By: /s/ Marc G. Naughton
Marc G. Naughton
Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer (duly authorized
officer and principal financial officer)