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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

### **CURRENT REPORT**

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 22, 2013

## Immunomedics, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 000-12104 (Commission 61-1009366 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

#### 300 The American Road, Morris Plains, New Jersey (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (973) 605-8200

07950 (Zip Code)

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

#### Not applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)).
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).

#### Item 1.01. Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On February 22, 2013, Immunomedics, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company), announced that it has priced its previously announced underwritten public offering pursuant to which the Company issued and sold an aggregate of 6,086,956 shares of its common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the Common Stock), at a purchase price of \$2.30 per share, for aggregate gross proceeds of approximately \$14,000,000, before deducting estimated fees and expenses associated with the offering (the Offering). Pursuant to the terms of the Underwriting Agreement (the Underwriting Agreement) entered into by and among the Company and Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. and Cowen and Company, LLC (collectively, the Underwriters), the Company granted to the Underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 913,044 shares of Common Stock to cover overallotments. The closing is expected to take place on February 27, 2013, subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions. The shares of common stock offered by the Company in this transaction were registered under the Company s existing shelf registration statement on Form S-3, as amended (File No. 333-184377), which was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 26, 2012.

The Company will pay the Underwriters an aggregate fee equal to 6.0% of the gross proceeds of the Offering equal to approximately \$840,000, plus estimated expenses of the Offering equal to approximately \$360,000.

A copy of each of the form of Underwriting Agreement and the related press release of the Company, dated February 22, 2013, are filed herewith as Exhibits 1.1 and 99.1, respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference. The foregoing description of the Offering by the Company and the documents related thereto, is qualified in its entirety by reference to such Exhibits.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
1.1	Form of Underwriting Agreement by and among the Company and the Underwriters dated February 22, 2013.
5.1	Opinion of DLA Piper LLP (US) (for the Company s common stock offering on February 22, 2013, expected to close on February 27, 2013).
99.1	Press Release of the Company dated February 22, 2013.

#### **SIGNATURES**

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

IMMUNOMEDICS, INC.

By: /s/ Cynthia L. Sullivan Name: Cynthia L. Sullivan

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: February 22, 2013

-BEFORE: always">

# Notice of 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders

Time and Date 9:00 a.m., Pacific Time, on Wednesday, May 21, 2014

Place Juniper Networks, Inc.

1133 Innovation Way

Building A, Aristotle Conference Room

Sunnyvale, CA 94089

#### **Items of Business**

- (1) To elect eight directors;
- (2) To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014;
- (3) To hold a non-binding advisory vote regarding executive compensation; and
- (4) To consider such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

#### **Adjournments and Postponements**

Any action on the items of business described above may be considered at the annual meeting at the time and on the date specified above or at any time and date to which the annual meeting may be properly adjourned or postponed.

#### **Record Date**

You are entitled to vote only if you were a Juniper Networks stockholder as of the close of business on March 28, 2014.

#### **Meeting Admission**

You are invited to attend the annual meeting if you were a Juniper Networks stockholder as of the close of business on March 28, 2014. You should be prepared to present valid government-issued photo identification for admittance. In addition, if you are a stockholder of record, your ownership will be verified against the list of stockholders of record on the record date prior to being admitted to the meeting. If you are not a stockholder of record but hold shares through a broker or nominee (i.e., in street name), you should provide proof of beneficial ownership as of the record date, such as your most recent account statement prior to March 28, 2014, a copy of any voting instruction card provided by your broker, trustee or nominee, or other similar evidence of ownership. If you do not provide photo identification or comply with the other procedures outlined above upon request, you may not be admitted to the annual meeting.

The annual meeting will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m., Pacific Time. Check-in will begin at 8:30 a.m., Pacific Time, and you should allow ample time for the check-in procedures.

This notice of annual meeting and proxy statement and form of proxy are first being provided to our stockholders on or about April 8, 2014.

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#### Voting

Your vote is very important. Whether or not you plan to attend the annual meeting, we encourage you to read this proxy statement and vote your shares as soon as possible.

If you received notice of how to access the proxy materials over the Internet, a proxy card and voting instruction card were not sent to you, but you may vote by telephone, over the Internet, or by scanning the QR code below using your mobile device. If you received a proxy card and other proxy materials by mail, you may submit your proxy card or voting instruction card for the annual meeting by completing, signing, dating and returning your proxy card or voting instruction card in the pre-addressed envelope provided, or, in most cases, by using the telephone or the Internet. For specific instructions on how to vote your shares, please refer to the section entitled *Questions and Answers* beginning on page 1 of this proxy statement and the instructions on the proxy card or voting instruction card or that are provided by email or over the Internet.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Mitchell L. Gaynor Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

# Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on May 21, 2014

The proxy statement, form of proxy and our 2014 Annual Report are available at www.proxyvote.com

Scan this QR code with your mobile device to vote your shares

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# Questions and Answers about the Proxy Materials and the Annual Meeting

#### Q: Why am I receiving these materials?

The Board of Directors (the Board ) of Juniper Networks, Inc., a Delaware corporation ( Juniper Networks or the Company ), has made these materials available to you on the Internet or, upon your request, has delivered printed versions of these materials to you by mail or email, in connection with the Board's solicitation of proxies for use at Juniper Networks annual meeting of stockholders, which will take place on May 21, 2014. As a Juniper Networks stockholder as of March 28, 2014 (the Record Date), you are invited to attend the annual meeting and are entitled to and requested to vote on the items of business described in this proxy statement.

#### What is included in these materials?

These materials include:

- Our proxy statement for the annual meeting; and
- Our 2013 Annual Report, which includes our audited consolidated financial statements.

If you requested printed versions of these materials by mail, these materials also include the proxy card or voting instruction card for the annual meeting.

## Why did I receive a one-page notice in the mail regarding the Internet availability of proxy materials instead of a full set of proxy materials?

Pursuant to rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), we have elected to provide access to our proxy materials over the Internet. Accordingly, on or about April 8, 2014, we are sending a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the Notice) to our stockholders of record and beneficial owners as of the Record Date. All stockholders will have the ability to access the proxy materials on the website referred to in the Notice (www.proxyvote.com). You may also request to receive a set of the proxy materials by mail or electronically by email. Instructions on how to access the proxy materials over the Internet or to request a printed copy may be found in the Notice. In addition, stockholders may request to receive proxy materials in printed form by mail or electronically by email on an ongoing basis.

#### How can I get electronic access to the proxy materials?

The Notice will provide you with instructions regarding how to:

- View our proxy materials for the annual meeting on the Internet; and
- Instruct us to send future proxy materials to you electronically by email or in paper copy by mail.

Choosing to access our proxy materials on the Internet or to receive future proxy materials by email will save us the cost of printing and mailing documents to you and will reduce the impact of our annual meetings on the environment. If you choose to receive future proxy materials by email, you will receive an email next year with instructions containing a link to those materials and a link to the proxy voting site. Your election to receive proxy materials by email will remain in effect until you terminate it.

#### How may I obtain Juniper Networks 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K?

Stockholders may request a free copy of the 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K from our principal executive offices at:

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#### Q:

#### A:

#### **Q:** A:

Juniper Networks, Inc. Attn: Investor Relations 1194 North Mathilda Avenue Sunnyvale, CA 94089 (408) 745-2000

A copy of our 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K is also available with our other proxy materials at www.proxyvote.com. In addition, you can access a copy on the website of the SEC. You can reach this website by going to the Investor Relations Center on our website, and clicking on the link labeled SEC Filings. The website of the Investor Relations Center is:

#### http://investor.juniper.net/investor-relations/default.aspx

We will also furnish any exhibit to the 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K if specifically requested in writing.

#### How may I obtain a separate set of proxy materials?

Q:

A:

As a result of Juniper s adoption of householding, if you share an address with another stockholder, you may receive only one Notice (or other stockholder communications, including our proxy materials)

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unless you have provided contrary instructions. If you wish to receive a separate Notice now or in the future, you may write or call us to request a separate copy from:

Juniper Networks, Inc. Attn: Investor Relations 1194 North Mathilda Avenue Sunnyvale, CA 94089 (408) 745-2000

#### http://investor.juniper.net/investor- relations/default.aspx

Similarly, if you share an address with another stockholder and have received multiple copies of the Notice, you may write or call us at the above address and phone number to request delivery of a single copy of the Notice.

#### What items of business will be voted on at the annual meeting?

The items of business scheduled to be voted on at the annual meeting are:

- To elect eight directors;
- To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014; and
- To hold a non-binding advisory vote regarding executive compensation.

We will also consider other business that properly comes before the annual meeting.

#### Q: How does the Board recommend that I vote?

A: Our Board recommends that you vote your shares:

- FOR each of the nominees to the Board;
- FOR the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014; and
- FOR the approval of our executive compensation.

#### Q: What shares can I vote?

**Q:** A:

A: Each share of Juniper Networks common stock issued and outstanding as of the close of business on March 28, 2014, the Record Date, is entitled to be voted on all items being voted upon at the annual meeting. You may vote all shares owned by you as of the Record Date, including (i) shares held directly in your name as the *stockholder of record* and (ii) shares held for you as the *beneficial owner* (i.e., in street name) through a broker, trustee or other nominee such as a bank. More information on how to vote these shares is contained in this proxy statement. On the Record Date, we had approximately 473,340,668 shares of common stock issued and outstanding.

#### Q: What is the difference between holding shares as a stockholder of record and as a beneficial owner?

A: Most Juniper Networks stockholders hold their shares through a broker or other nominee rather than directly in their own name. As summarized below, there are some distinctions between shares held of record and those owned beneficially, which may affect how you can vote your shares.

## Stockholder of Record

If your shares are registered directly in your name with Juniper Networks transfer agent, Wells Fargo Shareowner Services, you are considered, with respect to those shares, the stockholder of record, and the Notice or proxy statement was sent directly to you by Juniper Networks. As the stockholder of record, you have the right to grant your voting proxy directly to Juniper Networks as described in the Notice and this proxy statement or to vote in person at the annual meeting.

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## **Beneficial Owner**

If your shares are held in a brokerage account, by trustee or by another nominee, you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in street name, and the Notice or proxy statement was forwarded to you by such broker or nominee. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker, trustee or nominee how to vote and are also invited to attend the annual meeting.

Since a beneficial owner is not the stockholder of record, you may not vote these shares in person at the meeting unless you obtain a legal proxy from the broker, trustee or nominee that holds your shares, giving you the right to vote the shares at the meeting. Your broker, trustee or nominee has enclosed or provided a voting instruction card for you to use in directing the broker, trustee or nominee how to vote your shares.

#### Q: How can I attend the annual meeting?

A: You are entitled to attend the annual meeting only if you were a Juniper Networks stockholder as of the close of business on March 28, 2014, the Record Date. You should be prepared to present valid government-issued photo identification for admittance. In addition, if you are a *stockholder of record*, your name will be verified against the list of stockholders of record on the record date prior to your being admitted to the annual meeting. If you are not a *stockholder of record* but hold shares through a broker, trustee or nominee (i.e., in street name), you should provide proof of beneficial ownership on the record date, such as your most recent account statement prior to March 28, 2014, the Record Date, a copy of any voting instruction card provided by your broker, trustee or nominee, or other similar evidence of ownership. If you do not provide valid government-issued photo identification or comply with the other procedures outlined above upon request, you will not be admitted to the annual meeting.

The annual meeting will be held on May 21, 2014 at our corporate headquarters located at 1133 Innovation Way, Building A, Sunnyvale, CA 94089. The annual meeting will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m., Pacific Time. Check-in will begin at 8:30 a.m., and you should allow ample time for the check-in procedures.

#### Q: If I am unable to attend the annual meeting in person, can I view the meeting via webcast?

A: The annual meeting will be available live via webcast beginning at 9:00 a.m. Pacific Time on May 21, 2014. Please visit the following link to view the webcast: http://investor.juniper.net.

#### Q: How can I vote my shares in person at the annual meeting?

A: Shares held in your name as the *stockholder of record* may be voted in person at the annual meeting. Shares held beneficially in street name may be voted in person only if you obtain a legal proxy from the broker, trustee or nominee that holds your shares giving you the right to vote the shares. *Even if you plan to attend the annual meeting, you should also submit your proxy or voting instructions as described below so that your vote will be counted if you later decide not to attend the meeting.* 

#### Q: How can I vote my shares without attending the annual meeting?

A: Whether you hold shares directly as the *stockholder of record* or beneficially in street name, you may direct how your shares are voted without attending the meeting. If you are a *stockholder of record*, you may vote by submitting a proxy by any of the methods specified below. If you hold shares beneficially in street name, you may vote by submitting voting instructions to your broker, trustee or nominee. For directions on how to vote, please refer to the instructions in the proxy card or, for shares held beneficially in street name, the voting instruction card provided by your broker, trustee or nominee.

**By Internet** Stockholders of record of Juniper Networks with Internet access may submit proxies by following the Vote by Internet instructions on their proxy cards or the Notice or by following the voting instructions provided by email or over the Internet. If you hold your shares in street name, please check the voting instruction card provided by your broker, trustee or nominee for Internet voting availability and instructions.

**By Telephone** Stockholders of record of Juniper Networks who live in the United States or Canada may submit proxies by following the Vote by Phone instructions on their proxy cards or the Notice or by following the voting instructions provided by

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email or over the Internet. If you hold your shares in street name, please check the voting instruction card provided by your broker, trustee or nominee for telephone voting availability and instructions.

**By Mail** Stockholders of record of Juniper Networks who receive proxy materials by mail may submit proxies by completing, signing and dating their proxy cards and mailing them in the accompanying pre-addressed envelopes. Juniper Networks stockholders who hold shares beneficially in street name and who receive voting materials by mail from their brokers, trustees or nominees may vote by mail by completing, signing and dating the voting instruction cards provided and mailing them in the accompanying pre-addressed envelopes.

#### Q: Can I change my vote or otherwise revoke my proxy?

A: You may change your vote at any time prior to the vote at the annual meeting. If you are the stockholder of record, you may change your vote by granting a new proxy by telephone, over the Internet or by submitting a properly signed proxy card bearing a later date (which automatically revokes the earlier proxy). You may also revoke your proxy by providing a written notice of revocation to the Juniper Networks Corporate Secretary at Juniper Networks, Inc., ATTN: Corporate Secretary, 1194 North Mathilda Avenue, Sunnyvale, California 94089 prior to your shares being voted, or by attending the annual meeting and voting in person. Attendance at the annual meeting without any other action will not cause your previously granted proxy to be revoked. For shares you hold beneficially in street name, you may change your vote by submitting new voting instructions to your broker, trustee or nominee, or, if you have obtained a legal proxy from your broker or nominee giving you the right to vote your shares, by attending the annual meeting and voting in person.

#### Q: How many shares must be present or represented to conduct business at the annual meeting?

A: The quorum requirement for holding the annual meeting and transacting business is that holders of a majority of shares of Juniper Networks common stock entitled to vote must be present in person or represented by proxy at the annual meeting. Both abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted for the purpose of determining the presence of a quorum.

#### Q: Will my shares be voted if I do not vote as described in the Notice?

A: If your shares are held in street name, your broker may, under certain circumstances, vote your shares. Certain brokerage firms, trustees and nominees have authority to vote client s unvoted shares on some routine matters. If you do not give voting instructions to your broker, trustee or nominee may either (1) vote your shares on routine matters or (2) leave your shares unvoted. The proposal related to the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young as auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014 is considered a routine matter. None of the other proposals are considered routine matters and therefore, your broker will not be able to vote on these proposals without your instructions. If you are a stockholder of record and do not submit a proxy or vote at the annual meeting, your shares will not be voted.

If you provide specific instructions with regard to certain items, your shares will be voted as you instruct on such items. If you sign your proxy card or voting instruction card or vote by telephone or over the Internet without giving specific instructions, your shares will be voted in accordance with the recommendations of the Board (FOR all of Juniper Networks nominees to the Board, FOR ratification of the independent registered public accounting firm, FOR approval of our executive compensation) and in the discretion of the proxy holders as to any other matters that may properly come before the annual meeting.

#### Q: What is the vote required to approve each of the proposals?

- Each of the eight nominees for director will be elected if he or she receives a majority of the votes cast with respect to the nominee at the annual meeting (meaning the number of shares voted FOR a director nominee must exceed the number of shares voted AGAINST that director nominee).
- The proposals for the approval of the ratification of the independent registered public accounting firm, and the approval of our executive compensation each requires the affirmative FOR vote of a majority of the shares present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote on each proposal at the annual meeting. The vote on approval of our executive compensation is non-binding on the Company and the Board. However, we will take the outcome of the vote under advisement in evaluating our executive compensation programs.

*Broker Non-Votes:* For purposes of all proposals, broker non-votes will not affect the outcome of proposals, assuming that a quorum is obtained.

Abstentions: Abstentions will have the same effect as a vote AGAINST the non-binding, advisory proposal on executive compensation and the proposal for the approval of the ratification of the independent registered public accounting firm. Abstentions will not affect the vote on the election of directors.

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#### What are broker non-votes? Q:

A: If you hold shares beneficially in street name and do not provide your broker with voting instructions, your shares may constitute broker non-votes. Generally, broker non-votes occur on a matter when a broker is not permitted to vote on that matter without instructions from the beneficial owner, such as the proposals related to the election of directors and the non-binding advisory vote to approve executive compensation, and voting instructions are not given.

#### Q: Is cumulative voting permitted for the election of directors?

No. Each share of common stock outstanding as of the close of business on the Record Date is entitled to one vote. A:

#### Q: What happens if additional matters are presented at the annual meeting?

Other than the three items of business described in this proxy statement, we are not aware of any other business to be A: acted upon at the annual meeting. If you grant a proxy, the persons named as proxy holders, Robyn M. Denholm and Mitchell L. Gaynor, will have the discretion to vote your shares on any additional matters properly presented for a vote at the annual meeting. If for any unforeseen reason any of our nominees is not available as a candidate for director, the persons named as proxy holders will vote your proxy for such other candidate or candidates as may be nominated by the Board.

#### Q: Who will bear the cost of soliciting votes for the annual meeting?

Juniper Networks is making this solicitation and will pay the entire cost of preparing, assembling, printing, mailing and A: distributing these materials and soliciting votes. If you access the proxy materials and/or vote over the Internet, you are responsible for Internet access charges you may incur. If you choose to vote by telephone, you are responsible for telephone charges you may incur. In addition to the mailing of these materials, the solicitation of proxies or votes may be made in person, by telephone or by electronic communication by our directors, officers and employees, who will not receive any additional compensation for such solicitation activities. We also have hired Innisfree M&A Incorporated to assist us in the distribution of proxy materials and the solicitation of votes described above. We will pay Innisfree M&A Incorporated a fee of \$15,000 and reimburse them for customary costs and expenses associated with these services. Upon request, we will also reimburse brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for forwarding proxy and solicitation materials to stockholders.

#### Q: Where can I find the voting results of the annual meeting?

A: We intend to announce voting results from the annual meeting in a current report on Form 8-K within four (4) business days of the annual meeting. If the voting results announced in the Form 8-K are preliminary, we will file an amended Form 8-K reporting final voting results within four (4) business days of such final voting results becoming available.

#### Q: What is the deadline to propose actions for consideration or to nominate individuals to serve as directors?

Although the deadline for submitting proposals or director nominations for consideration at the 2014 annual meeting has A: passed, you may submit proposals, and director nominations, for consideration at future stockholder meetings.

Stockholder Proposals: For a stockholder proposal to be considered for inclusion in Juniper Networks proxy statement for the 2015 annual meeting, the written proposal must be received by the Corporate Secretary of Juniper Networks at our principal executive offices no later than December 9, 2014. If the date of the 2015 annual meeting is moved more than 30 days before or after the anniversary date of the 2014 annual meeting, the deadline for inclusion of proposals in Juniper Networks proxy statement for the 2015 annual meeting is instead a reasonable time before Juniper Networks begins to print and mail its proxy materials for the 2015 annual meeting. Such proposals also will need to comply with SEC regulations under Rule 14a-8 regarding the inclusion of stockholder proposals in company-sponsored proxy materials. Proposals should be addressed to:

> Juniper Networks, Inc. **ATTN: Corporate Secretary** 1194 North Mathilda Avenue Sunnyvale, CA 94089

Fax: (408)745-2100

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For a stockholder proposal that is not intended to be included in Juniper Networks proxy statement under Rule 14a-8, the stockholder must deliver a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of a sufficient number of shares of Juniper Networks common stock to approve that proposal, provide the information required by the bylaws of Juniper Networks and give timely notice to the Corporate Secretary of Juniper Networks in accordance with our bylaws, which, in general, require that the proper notice be received by the Corporate Secretary of Juniper Networks not more than 75 days and not less than 45 days prior to the one year anniversary of the date Juniper Networks first mailed its proxy materials or a notice of availability of proxy materials (whichever is earlier) to stockholders in connection with the previous year s annual meeting of stockholders. For the 2015 annual meeting, the notice must be received no earlier than January 23, 2015 and no later than February 22, 2015. However, if the date of the 2015 annual meeting is advanced more than 30 days before or more than 60 days after the anniversary date of this year s annual meeting, then for notice to be timely, the notice must be received by the Corporate Secretary not earlier than the 120th day prior to the 2015 annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to the 2015 annual meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of the 2015 annual meeting is first made by Juniper Networks. To be in proper form, a stockholder s notice to the Corporate Secretary must set forth the information required by the Company s bylaws.

Recommendation and Nomination of Director Candidates: The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider both recommendations and nominations for candidates to the Board from Qualifying Stockholders. A Qualifying Stockholder is a stockholder that has owned for a period of one year prior to the date of the submission of the recommendation through the time of submission of the recommendation at least 1% of the total common stock of the Company outstanding as of the last day of the calendar month preceding the submission. A Qualifying Stockholder that desires to recommend a candidate for election to the Board must direct the recommendation

in writing to Juniper Networks, Inc., ATTN: Corporate Secretary, 1194 North Mathilda Avenue, Sunnyvale, California 94089, and must include the candidate s name, home and business contact information, detailed biographical data and qualifications, information regarding any relationships between the candidate and the Company within the last three years, written evidence that the candidate is willing to serve as a director of the Company if nominated and elected and evidence of the nominating person s ownership of Company common stock.

A stockholder that instead desires to nominate a person directly for election to the Board must meet the deadlines and other requirements set forth in Section 2.5 of the Company s bylaws and the rules and regulations of the SEC. To be timely, such stockholder s notice must be delivered to or mailed and received by the Corporate Secretary of the Company not more than 75 days and not less than 45 days prior to the one year anniversary of the date Juniper Networks first mailed its proxy materials or a notice of availability of proxy materials (whichever is earlier) to stockholders in connection with the Company s previous year s annual meeting of stockholders. For the 2015 annual meeting, the notice must be received no earlier than January 23, 2015 and no later than February 22, 2015. However, if the date of the 2015 annual meeting is advanced more than 30 days before or more than 60 days after the anniversary date of this year s annual meeting, then for notice to be timely, the notice must be received by the Corporate Secretary not earlier than the 120th day prior to the 2015 annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to the 2015 annual meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of the 2015 annual meeting is first made by Juniper Networks. To be in proper form, a stockholder s notice to the Corporate Secretary must set forth the information required by the Company s bylaws.

Copy of Bylaws: You may contact the Juniper Networks Corporate Secretary at our principal executive offices for a copy of the relevant bylaw provisions regarding the requirements for making stockholder proposals and nominating director candidates.

# Corporate Governance Principles and Board Matters

Juniper Networks is committed to having sound corporate governance principles. Having such principles is essential to running our business efficiently and to maintaining our integrity in the marketplace. Juniper Networks Corporate Governance Standards and Worldwide Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applicable to all Juniper Networks employees, officers and directors are available at <a href="http://investor.juniper.net/investor-relations/corporate-governance/default.aspx">http://investor.juniper.net/investor-relations/corporate-governance/default.aspx</a>. Our Worldwide Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applies to our principal executive officer and all other employees and complies with the rules of the SEC and the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). This code of ethics is posted on our website at www.juniper.net, and may be found as follows: (1) from our main Web page, first click on Company and then on Investor Relations, (2) next, select Corporate Governance and then click on Worldwide Code of Business Conduct and Ethics. Alternatively, you may obtain a free copy of this code of ethics by contacting the Investor Relations Department at our corporate offices by calling

1-408-936-5396 or by sending an e-mail message to investor-relations@juniper.net. We intend to satisfy the disclosure requirement under Item 5.05 of Form 8-K regarding an amendment to, or waiver from, a provision of this code of ethics by posting such information on our Website, at the address and location specified above. Juniper Networks has also adopted procedures for raising concerns related to accounting and auditing matters in compliance with the listing standards of the NYSE. Concerns relating to accounting, legal, internal controls or auditing matters may be brought to the attention of either the Company s Concerns Committee (comprised of the Company s Chief Financial Officer, General Counsel, Executive Vice President of Human Resources, Corporate Controller and the Vice President of Internal Audit), or to the Audit Committee directly. Concerns are handled in accordance with procedures established with respect to such matters under our Reporting Ethics Concerns Policy. For information on how to contact the Audit Committee directly, please see the section entitled Communications with the Board below.

## **Board Independence**

Our Board has determined that, except for Shaygan Kheradpir and Pradeep Sindhu, each of whom is an employee of the Company, none of the current directors have a material relationship with Juniper Networks (either directly or as a partner, stockholder or officer of an organization that has a relationship with Juniper Networks). The Board has also determined that the following directors and director nominees are independent within the meaning of the NYSE director independence standards: Messrs. Calderoni, Kriens, Lawrie, Meehan, Schlotterbeck, Stensrud and Daichendt and Ms. Cranston and Ms. Johnson. Kevin Johnson, who retired from the Board effective February 28, 2014, was an employee of the Company until his retirement, and therefore, was not independent at the time he served as a director. Furthermore, the Board has determined that each of the members of each of the standing committees of the Board has no relationship with Juniper Networks (either directly or as a partner, stockholder or officer of an organization that has a relationship with Juniper Networks) and is independent within the meaning of the NYSE director independence standards, including in the case of the members of the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee, the heightened independence standard required for such committee members set forth in the applicable SEC

and New York Stock Exchange rules. The members of the Compensation Committee are also non-employee directors as defined in Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act and are outside directors as defined in Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

In making the determination of the independence of our directors, the Company considered all transactions in which Juniper Networks was a participant and any director had any interest, including transactions involving Juniper Networks and payments made to or from companies and entities in the ordinary course of business where our directors serve as partners, directors or as a member of the executive management of the other party to the transaction.

Kevin DeNuccio, a nominee for director, became President and Chief Executive Officer and a director of Violin Memory, Inc. (Violin) in February 2014.

In 2013, Juniper Networks purchased approximately \$4.0 million in products and services from Violin. The agreements that pertain to these transactions were negotiated and maintained at arm s length, and we do not believe they are material to the results of operations or business of Juniper Networks. Although

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these purchases occurred prior to Mr. DeNuccio joining Violin, the Board determined that the nature, size and circumstances of the relationship between Juniper Networks and Violin preclude a determination of

independence of Mr. DeNuccio under applicable SEC and NYSE rules because the purchases exceeded 2% of Violin s consolidated gross revenues in their most recent fiscal year.

## **Board Structure and Committee Composition**

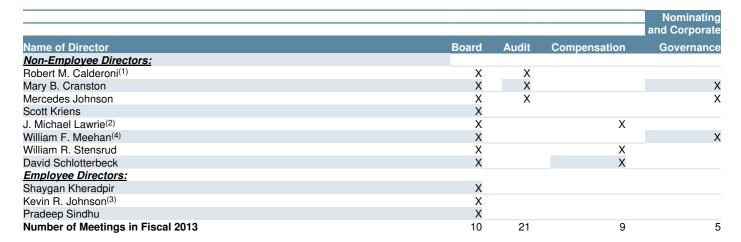
Historically, our Board was divided into three classes and our directors served staggered three-year terms. At our 2012 annual meeting of stockholders, our stockholders approved a proposal to declassify the Board, which became effective for the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders. Each director elected at the 2014 annual meeting of stockholders will serve a one-year term and will be required to stand for reelection at each annual meeting of stockholders thereafter. Continuing directors elected prior to the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders will serve the remainder of their three-year, staggered terms. Assuming that each of the current directors (with the exception of Mr. Meehan, who is not standing for reelection at the 2014 annual meeting of stockholders) remains on our Board, the following table sets forth when each current director will be required to stand for reelection:

2014 Annual Meeting	2015 Annual Meeting	
Pradeep Sindhu	Pradeep Sindhu	
Robert M. Calderoni	Robert M. Calderoni	
Mary B. Cranston	Mary B. Cranston	
J. Michael Lawrie	J. Michael Lawrie	
David Schlotterbeck	David Schlotterbeck	
Shaygan Kheradpir	Shaygan Kheradpir	
Kevin DeNuccio	Kevin DeNuccio	
Gary Daichendt	Gary Daichendt	
	Scott Kriens	
	William R. Stensrud	
	Mercedes Johnson	

The Board has a standing Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The membership during the last fiscal year and the principal function of each of these committees are described below. Each of these committees operates under a written charter adopted by the Board. The charters of these committees are available on Juniper Networks—website at <a href="http://investor.juniper.net/investor-relations/corporate-governance/default.aspx">http://investor.juniper.net/investor-relations/corporate-governance/default.aspx</a>. In addition, the Board has a Stock Committee comprised of the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and a non-employee director, currently Mr. Stensrud. The Stock Committee has authority to grant equity awards to employees who are not executive officers. During 2013, the Stock Committee held 12 meetings. The Board has also established M&A, offering, and stock repurchase committees for specific purposes, such as the review and approval of certain acquisitions, the issuance of securities or the repurchase of our common stock. During 2013, the M&A Committee, consisting of Messrs. Johnson, Calderoni, Lawrie and Stensrud, met once. During 2013, other than Mr. Kheradpir, who did not become a director until December 31, 2013, each director attended at least 75% of all Board and applicable committee meetings.

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The following table shows all persons who served on the Board and applicable committees during 2013 or were serving as of the date this proxy statement was filed with the SEC:



#### X = Committee member

- (1) The Board has determined that Mr. Calderoni is an audit committee financial expert within the meaning of the rules promulgated by the SEC.
- (2) Mr. Lawrie is the Board s Lead Independent Director.
- (3) Mr. Johnson resigned from the Board effective February 28, 2014.
- (4) Mr. Meehan is not standing for reelection at the 2014 annual meeting of stockholders.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee, among other duties, assists the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities for general oversight of the integrity of Juniper Networks financial statements, Juniper Networks compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the independent registered public accounting firm squalifications, independence and performance, the performance of Juniper Networks internal audit function, Juniper Networks internal accounting and financial controls and risk management policies. The Audit Committee works closely with management as well as our independent registered public accounting firm to fulfill its obligations. The Audit Committee has the authority to obtain advice and assistance from, and receive appropriate funding from Juniper Networks for, outside legal, accounting or other advisors as the Audit Committee deems necessary to carry out its duties.

The report of the Audit Committee is included herein on page 56. The charter of the Audit Committee is available at the Investor Relations Center on our website at http://investor.juniper.net/investor-relations/default.aspx.

#### **Compensation Committee**

The Compensation Committee discharges the Board s responsibilities relating to compensation of our executive officers, including evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer; reviews the Compensation Discussion and Analysis and prepares an annual report on executive

compensation, for inclusion in Juniper Networks proxy statement; and has overall responsibility for approving and evaluating executive officer compensation plans, policies and programs. The Compensation Committee also has responsibility for reviewing the overall equity award practices of the Company.

The report of the Compensation Committee is included herein beginning on page 43. The charter of the Compensation Committee is available at the Investor Relations Center on our website at http://investor.juniper.net/investor-relations/default.aspx.

#### **Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee**

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee seeks and recommends nomination of individuals qualified to become Board members, consistent with criteria approved by the Board, and oversees the governance of the Board, including establishing and ensuring compliance with our corporate governance standards; and identifies best practices and recommends corporate governance principles, including giving proper attention and making effective responses to stockholder concerns regarding corporate governance.

The charter of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is available at the Investor Relations Center on our website at http://investor.juniper.net/investor-relations/default.aspx.

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The Board s leadership structure is comprised of a Chairman of the Board, a Chief Executive Officer and a Lead Independent Director, who is appointed, and at least annually reaffirmed, by at least a majority of Juniper s independent directors. In the current structure, the roles of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board are separated. Our Chief Executive Officer, beginning in 2013, Mr. Kheradpir, is responsible for setting the strategic direction for the Company and the day to day leadership and performance of the Company. Mr. Kriens, the Chairman of the Board, has served as Chairman of the Board since 1996 and served as Chief Executive Officer from 1996 to 2008. The Chairman of the Board sets the agenda for Board meetings, presides over meetings of the full Board and, in conjunction with the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, contributes to board governance and board process matters.

The Board believes that this structure benefits the Company by enabling the Chief Executive Officer to focus on strategic matters while the Chairman of the Board focuses on Board process and governance matters, and also allows the Company to benefit from Mr. Kriens experience as a former Chief Executive Officer.

Our independent directors have also appointed a Lead Independent Director, Mr. Lawrie. In addition to the duties of all Board members, the position of the Lead Independent Director comes with significant responsibilities pursuant to the Corporate Governance Standards, which are approved by the Board, which are to:

- provide the Chairman of the Board with input as to an appropriate schedule of Board meetings;
- provide the Chairman of the Board with input as to the preparation of agendas for Board meetings;
- provide the Chairman of the Board with input as to the quality, quantity, and timeliness of the flow of information from the Company s management that is necessary for the independent directors to effectively and responsibly perform their duties:
- make recommendations to the Chairman of the Board regarding the retention of consultants who report directly to the Board (other than consultants who are selected by the various committees of the Board);
- preside over executive sessions of the Board; and
- act as a liaison between the independent directors and the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer on sensitive issues.

The Board believes that this overall structure of a separate Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, combined with a Lead Independent Director, results in an effective balancing of responsibilities, experience and independent perspective that meets the current corporate governance needs and oversight responsibilities of the Board.

The independent directors of the Company meet periodically, at least quarterly, in executive sessions, which are called and lead by the Lead Independent Director. Executive sessions of the independent directors are chaired by the Lead Independent Director. The executive sessions include discussions and recommendations regarding guidance to be provided to the Chief Executive Officer and such topics as the independent directors determine.

## Identification and Evaluation of Nominees for Director

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee s criteria and process for evaluating and identifying the candidates that it selects, or recommends to the full Board for selection, as director nominees, are as follows:

- The Nominating and Corporate Governance
   Committee regularly reviews the composition and size of the Board.
- The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee reviews the qualifications of any candidates who have been properly recommended or nominated by a stockholder, as well as those candidates who have been

identified by management, individual members of the Board or, if the committee determines, a search firm. Such review may, in the committee s discretion, include a review solely of information provided to the committee or may also include discussions with persons familiar with the candidate, an interview with the candidate or other actions that the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee deems proper. Please see the information under Recommendation and Nomination of Director Candidates on page 6 of this proxy statement for more information on stockholder recommendations of director candidates.

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- The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee conducts an annual evaluation of the performance of individual directors and the Board as a whole, including an evaluation of the qualifications of individual members of the Board eligible for re-election at the annual meeting of stockholders.
- The Nominating and Corporate Governance

  Committee considers the suitability of each candidate, including the current members of the Board, in light of the current size and composition of the Board. In evaluating the qualifications of the candidates, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee considers many factors, including issues of character, judgment, independence, age, education, expertise, diversity of experience, length of service, other commitments and ability to serve on committees of the Board, as well as other individual qualities and attributes that contribute to board heterogeneity, including characteristics such as race, gender, and national origin. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee evaluates such factors, among others, and does not assign any particular weighting or priority to any of these factors. The committee considers each individual candidate in the context of the current perceived needs of the Board as a whole. While the committee has not established specific minimum qualifications for director candidates, the committee believes that candidates and nominees must reflect a Board that is comprised of directors who (i) are predominantly independent, (ii) are of high integrity, (iii) have qualifications that will increase overall Board effectiveness and (iv) meet other requirements as may be required by applicable rules and regulations, such as financial literacy or financial

expertise with respect to Audit Committee members.

- In evaluating and identifying candidates, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has the authority to retain and terminate any third party search firm that is used to identify director candidates, and has the authority to approve the fees and retention terms of any search firm.
- After such review and consideration, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee selects, or recommends that
  the Board select, the slate of director nominees, either at a meeting of the Nominating and Corporate Governance
  Committee at which a quorum is present or by unanimous written consent of the committee.
   If applicable, the Board will review the committee s recommendations and approve final nominations.

Of the eight nominees for election as directors of the Board at this year s annual meeting, two of the nominees, Kevin DeNuccio and Gary Daichendt, are not presently members of the Board. Mr. DeNuccio was initially suggested by a third party search firm used by the Board to identify director candidates and Mr. Daichendt was initially suggested by a stockholder. Each of the directors nominated for election at the 2014 annual meeting was evaluated and recommended to the Board for nomination by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, and nominated by the Board for election. As part of a previously-disclosed settlement agreement between the Company and Elliott Associates, L.P. (EA) and Elliott International, L.P. (EI and together with EA, Elliott), Elliott has agreed to vote in favor of all of the Company s nominees for director at this year s annual meeting of stockholders, including Messrs. DeNuccio and Daichendt.

## Management Succession Planning

Our Board believes that the directors and the Chief Executive Officer, should collaborate on succession planning and that the entire board should be involved in the critical aspects of the CEO succession planning process, including establishing selection criteria that reflect our business strategies, identifying and evaluating potential internal candidates, and making key management succession decisions. Management succession is regularly discussed by the directors in

Board meetings and in executive sessions of the Board. Our Board annually conducts a detailed review of the Company s leadership pipeline, talent strategies and succession plans for key executive positions. Directors become familiar with potential successors for key management positions through various means, including the comprehensive annual talent review, board dinners and presentations and informal meetings.

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## Board s Role in Risk Oversight

The Board has an active role, as a whole and also at the committee level, in overseeing management of Company risk. This role is one of informed oversight rather than direct management of risk. The Board regularly reviews and consults with management on strategic direction, challenges and risks faced by the Company. The Board also reviews and discusses with management quarterly financial results and forecasts. The Audit Committee of the Board oversees management of financial risks, and pursuant to its charter, the audit committee provides oversight of, and reviews at least annually, the Company s risk management policies, including its investment policies and anti-fraud program, as well as management s overall risk management process. The Compensation Committee of the Board is responsible for overseeing the management of risks relating to and arising from the Company s executive compensation plans and arrangements. These committees provide regular reports on the Company s risk management efforts, generally on a quarterly basis, to the full Board.

Management is tasked with the direct management and oversight of legal, financial, regulatory, and commercial compliance matters, which includes identification and mitigation of associated areas of risk. The Board receives regular reports from the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, General Counsel and other members of senior management regarding areas of significant risk to the Company, including operational, strategic, legal,

regulatory, financial, and reputational risks. Throughout the year, the Chief Executive Officer reviews with the Board key strategic and operational issues, opportunities, and risks. At a Management level, the Company maintains a compliance committee that focuses on legal and regulatory compliance, and a risk management committee that focuses on risk management overall and particularly on operational and strategic risks. In both identifying risks and developing mitigation plans for those risks, the Company considers various factors, including, but not limited to, potential reputational and financial harm. In addition, the compliance committee and the risk management committee evaluate and seek to align risk management and compliance programs with the Company s strategy. The General Counsel provides regular reports of legal risks to the Audit Committee and the Board. The Chief Financial Officer, the Controller and Vice President of Internal Audit provide regular reports to the Audit Committee concerning financial, tax and audit related risks. In addition, both the Board and the Audit Committee receive periodic reports and presentations from management on the Company s risk mitigation programs and efforts, compliance programs and efforts, investment policy and practices and the results of various internal audit projects. Management and the Company s compensation consultant provide analysis of risks related to the Company s compensation programs and practices to the Compensation Committee.

## Communications with the Board

Stockholders of Juniper Networks and other parties interested in communicating with the Board may contact any of our directors by writing to them c/o Juniper Networks, Inc., 1194 North Mathilda Avenue, Sunnyvale, California 94089. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board has approved a process for handling communications received by the Company. Under that process, the General Counsel receives and logs communications directed to the Board, the Lead Independent Director or the independent

directors of the Board, and, unless marked confidential, reviews all such correspondence and regularly (not less than quarterly) forwards to the Board, the Lead Independent Director or the independent directors of the Board, as applicable, a summary of such correspondence and copies of such correspondence. Communications marked confidential will be logged as received by the General Counsel and then will be forwarded to the addressee(s).

## Policy on Director Attendance at Annual Meetings

As set forth in our Corporate Governance Standards, absent extraordinary circumstances, each member of the Board is strongly encouraged to attend each annual

stockholder meeting in person. Eight of our 10 directors, who were directors at the time, attended the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders.

## **Director Compensation**

## Non-Employee Director Meeting Fee and Retainer Information

The following table provides information on Juniper Networks compensation and reimbursement practices during fiscal 2013 for non-employee directors:

Annual retainer for all non-employee directors (payable quarterly)	\$ 55,000
Additional annual retainer for Audit Committee members (payable quarterly)	\$ 10,000
Additional annual retainer for Compensation Committee members (payable quarterly)	\$ 10,000
Additional annual retainer for Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee members (payable quarterly)	\$ 5,000
Additional annual retainer for Audit Committee Chairman (payable quarterly)	\$ 35,000
Additional annual retainer for Compensation Committee Chairman (payable quarterly)	\$ 35,000
Additional annual retainer for Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Chairman (payable quarterly)	\$ 10,000
Additional annual retainer for the Chairman of the Board (payable quarterly)	\$ 75,000
Additional annual retainer for the Lead Independent Director (payable quarterly)	\$ 30,000
Restricted Stock Units granted annually <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 225,000
Reimbursement for expenses attendant to Board membership	Yes
Payment for each additional committee meeting attended after total committee meeting attendance (excluding the Stock Committee) exceeds	
eighteen (18) in a calendar year:	\$ 1.250

Pursuant to the 2006 Plan, at the 2013 annual stockholder meeting, each non-employee director who was a non-employee director on the date of the prior year s annual stockholder meeting was automatically granted Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) for a number of shares equal to the Annual Value (as defined below) and each non-employee director who was not a non-employee director on the date of the prior year s annual stockholder meeting received a RSU award for a number of shares determined by multiplying the Annual Value by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days the director has served as a non-employee director (or, in the case of a director who has transitioned from an employee director to a non-employee director, the number of days such director has ceased to be an employee of the Company) and the denominator of which is 365, rounded down to the nearest whole share. The Annual Value means the number of RSUs equal to \$225,000 divided by the average daily closing price of the Company s common stock over the six month period ending on the last day of the fiscal year preceding the date of grant (for example, the period from July 1, 2012 December 31, 2012 for Annual Awards granted in May 2013). These RSU awards vest approximately one year from the grant date subject to the non-employee director s continuous service on the Board.

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## Director Compensation Table For Fiscal 2013

The following table shows compensation information for our non-employee directors for fiscal 2013. Messrs. Johnson and Kheradpir and Dr. Sindhu have not received any separate compensation for their Board service.

Compensation information for Messrs. Johnson and Sindhu is included in the Summary Compensation Table on page 44.

#### **Non-Employee Director Compensation for Fiscal 2013**

	Fees Earned or Paid	Stock	Option	Non-Equity	Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation	All Other	
Name	in Cash	Awards <sup>(1)</sup>	Awards	Compensation	Earnings	Compensation	Total
Robert M. Calderoni <sup>(2)</sup>	\$105,000	\$225,139	Awarus	Compensation	Laimings	Compensation	\$330,139
Mary Cranston <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 87.500	\$225,139					\$312.639
Mercedes Johnson <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 78,750	\$225,139					\$303,889
Scott Kriens <sup>(5)</sup>	\$130,000	\$225,139					\$355,139
J. Michael Lawrie <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 95,000	\$225,139					\$320,139
William F. Meehan <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 60,000	\$225,139					\$285,139
David Schlotterbeck <sup>(8)</sup>	\$100,000	\$225,139					\$325,139
William R. Stensrud <sup>(9)</sup>	\$ 65,000	\$225,139					\$290,139

- Amounts shown do not reflect compensation actually received by the director. Instead, the amount shown is the aggregate grant date fair value of stock- related awards in fiscal 2013 computed in accordance with ASC Topic 718 Compensation Stock Compensation ( ASC Topic 718 ), disregarding forfeiture assumptions. The market value used to calculate the aggregate value on May 21,2013 was \$17.64.
- (2) As of December 31, 2013, Mr. Calderoni held 12,763 RSUs of the Company s common stock. The aggregate grant date fair value for the stock award granted to Mr. Calderoni on May 21, 2013 was \$225,139.
- (3) As of December 31, 2013, Ms. Cranston held outstanding options to purchase 60,356 shares and 12,763 RSUs of the Company s common stock. The aggregate grant date fair value for the stock award granted to Ms. Cranston on May 21, 2013 was \$225,139.
- (4) As of December 31, 2013, Ms. Johnson held outstanding options to purchase 50,000 shares and 12,763 RSUs of the Company s common stock. The aggregate grant date fair value for the stock award granted to Ms. Johnson on May 21, 2013 was \$225,139.
- (5) As of December 31, 2013, Mr. Kriens held 12,763 RSUs of the Company s common stock. The aggregate grant date fair value for the stock award granted to Mr. Kriens on May 21, 2013 was \$225,139.
- (6) As of December 31, 2013, Mr. Lawrie held options to purchase 74,712 shares and 12,763 RSUs of the Company s common stock. The aggregate grant date fair value for the stock award granted to Mr. Lawrie on May 21, 2013 was \$225,139.
- (7) As of December 31, 2013, Mr. Meehan held options to purchase 25,000 shares and 12,763 RSUs of the Company s common stock. The aggregate grant date fair value for the stock award granted to Mr. Meehan on May 21, 2013 was \$225,139.
- (8) As of December 31, 2013, Mr. Schlotterbeck held options to purchase 50.000 shares and 12,763 RSUs of the Company s common stock. The aggregate grant date fair value for the stock award granted to Mr. Schlotterbeck on May 21, 2013 was \$225,139.
- (9) As of December 31, 2013, Mr. Stensrud held options to purchase 40,000 shares and 12,763 RSUs of the Company s common stock. The aggregate grant date fair value for the stock award granted to Mr. Stensrud on May 21, 2013 was \$225,139.

## Proposals to be Voted on

# Proposal No. 1 Election of Directors

There are eight nominees for election as directors at this year s annual meeting Pradeep Sindhu, Robert M. Calderoni, Mary B. Cranston, J. Michael Lawrie, David Schlotterbeck, Shaygan Kheradpir, Kevin DeNuccio and Gary Daichendt. Other than Messrs. DeNuccio and Daichendt, each of the nominees is presently a member of the Board. Information regarding the business experience of each nominee and the other members of the Board is provided below. A discussion of the qualifications, attributes and skills of each director nominee that led our Board and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee to the conclusion that he or she should serve or continue to serve as a director is included below each of the director and director nominee biographies. Since stockholders approved the proposal to amend the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to declassify the Board, beginning with the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders, directors will be elected for only one year. Each of the directors will be elected to serve a one-year term until the Company's annual meeting in 2015 and until their respective successors are elected. There are no family relationships among our executive officers and directors.

If you sign your proxy or voting instruction card or vote by telephone or over the Internet but do not give instructions with respect to the voting of directors, your shares will be voted for the eight persons recommended by the Board. If you do not give voting instructions to your broker, your broker will not be able to vote your shares and your shares will not be voted on this matter.

Our Board recommends a vote FOR the election to the Board of Pradeep Sindhu, Robert M. Calderoni, Mary B. Cranston, J. Michael Lawrie, David Schlotterbeck, Shaygan Kheradpir, Kevin DeNuccio and Gary Daichendt.

Provided a quorum is present, directors are elected by a majority of the votes cast with respect to the nominee at the annual meeting (i.e., the number of shares voted FOR a director nominee must exceed the number of votes cast AGAINST that nominee), except in the case of a contested election. If a nominee who is currently serving as a director is not elected at the Annual Meeting, under Delaware law the director will continue to serve on the Board as a holdover director. However, as a condition to re-nomination, each incumbent director is required to submit a resignation from the Board in writing to the Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board. The resignation will become effective only if the director fails to receive a majority of votes cast for re-election and the Board accepts the resignation. In the event of a contested election in accordance with our Bylaws, directors will be elected by the vote of a plurality of the votes cast.

The majority voting standard will apply to the election taking place at the meeting. Consequently, in order to be elected, the number of shares voted FOR a director nominee must exceed the number of votes AGAINST that director nominee. If you hold shares through a bank, broker or other holder of record, you must instruct your bank, broker or other holder of record how to vote so that your vote can be counted on this proposal.

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The names of our directors and director nominees and their ages, positions, and biographies are set forth below.

#### **Nominees for Election**

#### Pradeep Sindhu

Age 61

Director since 1996

Board Committees

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Other Public Company Boards

None

Dr. Sindhu founded Juniper Networks in February 1996 and served as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors until September 1996. Since then, Dr. Sindhu has served as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Technical Officer of Juniper Networks. From September 1984 to February 1991, Dr. Sindhu worked as a Member of the Research Staff, and from March 1987 to February 1996, as the Principal Scientist, and from February 1994 to February 1996, as Distinguished Engineer at the Computer Science Lab at Xerox Corporation, Palo Alto Research Center, a technology research center. Dr. Sindhu served as a member of the board of directors of Infinera Corporation, a provider of optical networking equipment, from September 2001 to May 2008.

As the founder and Chief Technical Officer of the Company, Dr. Sindhu is a leading expert in networking technology and is able to provide the Board with an understanding of the Company s products and technology as well as provide expert perspective on industry trends and opportunities. Dr. Sindhu s experience with the Company from its founding also offers the Board insight to the evolution of the Company, including from execution, cultural, operational, competitive and industry points of view.

#### Robert M. Calderoni

Age 54

Director since 2003

**Board Committees** 

M&A, Audit (Chair)

Other Public Company Boards

KLA-Tencor. Inc

Mr. Calderoni served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ariba, Inc., an SAP company, and President SAP Cloud of SAP AG, a provider of spend management solutions, from October 2012 to January 2014. Prior to the acquisition of Ariba by SAP in October 2012, Mr. Calderoni was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ariba, beginning in October 2001. From January 2001 to October 2001, Mr. Calderoni served as Ariba s Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. From November 1997 to January 2001, he served as Chief Financial Officer at Avery Dennison Corporation, a manufacturer of pressure-sensitive materials and office products. From June 1996 to November 1997, Mr. Calderoni served as Senior Vice President of Finance at Apple Computer, a provider of hardware and software products and Internet-based services. Mr. Calderoni also serves as a member of the board of directors of KLA-Tencor, Inc., a semiconductor equipment manufacturer.

Mr. Calderoni s experience as a Chief Financial Officer and in other finance roles has provided him with broad experience in finance, including accounting and financial reporting. This experience has led our Board of Directors to determine that he is an audit committee financial expert as that term is defined in Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K under the 1934 Act. He is able to contribute this financial expertise as a board member and as Chair of the Audit Committee. In addition, as a result of Mr. Calderoni s service as Chief Executive Officer of Ariba, Inc., he has broad leadership and executive expertise and a knowledge and understanding of software and software as a service business issues.

#### Mary B. Cranston

Age 66 Director since 200

Board Committees: Audit, Nominating and Corporate Governance (Chair)

Other Public Company Boards: Visa, Inc., GrafTech International, Ltd., International Rectifier Corporation, Exponent, Inc.

Ms. Cranston is a Retired Senior Partner of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, an international law firm. She was the Chair and Chief Executive Officer of Pillsbury from January 1999 until April 2006, and continued to serve as Chair of Pillsbury until December 2006. Ms. Cranston also serves as a member of the board of directors of Visa, Inc., a financial services company, GrafTech International, Ltd., a manufacturer of carbon and graphite products, International Rectifier Corporation, a power management company, and Exponent, Inc., an engineering and scientific consulting company.

Ms. Cranston s extensive experience as an attorney, including serving as the chair of a large national law firm, has provided her with broad leadership and executive expertise, extensive experience in the career development of women and a detailed understanding of corporate governance, regulatory and legal matters. Ms. Cranston also has deep understanding of the telecommunications industry through her experience representing several carrier clients, which can provide the Board insight into the Company's customers needs. In addition, her experience as a director in several other companies provides her with an understanding of the operation of other boards of directors that she can contribute in her role as a member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. And, her experience as a member of the audit committee of other boards and as chair of a large law firm provide her with a perspective on risk management, finance and legal matters that she can contribute in her role as a member of the Audit Committee.

Proposals to be Voted on

#### J. Michael Lawrie

Age 60 Director since 2007

Board Committees: Lead Independent Director, M&A, Compensation

Other Public Company Boards:

Mr. Lawrie became President and Chief Executive Officer of Computer Sciences Corp. ( CSC ), a global IT services company, in March 2012. From November 2006 to March 2012, Mr. Lawrie served as Chief Executive Officer of Misys plc, a UK-based provider of industry-specific software products and solutions. Mr. Lawrie also served as the Executive Chairman of Allscripts-Misys Healthcare Solutions, Inc., a provider of software, services, information and connectivity solutions for the healthcare industry from October 2008 to August 2010. From October 2005 to November 2006, Mr. Lawrie served as a partner of ValueAct Capital. From May 2004 to April 2005, Mr. Lawrie served as Chief Executive Officer of Siebel Systems, Inc. From May 2001 to May 2004, Mr. Lawrie served as Senior Vice President and Group Executive at IBM, responsible for sales and distribution of all IBM products and services worldwide. Since February 2012, Mr. Lawrie has served on the board of directors of CSC. During the past five years, Mr. Lawrie has also served on the boards of directors of SSA Global Technologies, Inc., a provider of enterprise software applications, and Allscripts-Misys Healthcare Solutions.

Mr. Lawrie s experience as Chief Executive Officer of both CSC and Misys and in executive roles at Siebel Systems and IBM has provided him with broad leadership and executive experience. These roles have provided him with extensive experience managing at scale businesses providing complex information technology services and solutions to a wide variety of customers, including many of our customers. Moreover, his management of Misys, a company headquartered in Europe, provides him with a perspective on global business operations. In addition, his experience as a director in other technology companies provides him with an understanding of the operation of other boards of directors that he can contribute in his role as Lead Independent Director.

#### David Schlotterbeck

Age 66

Board Committees: Compensation (Chair

Other Public Company Boards:

Mr. Schlotterbeck served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Aperio Technologies, Inc., a provider of digital pathology solutions, from November 2011 until October 2012, when Aperio was acquired by Leica Biosystems. Prior to Aperio, Mr. Schlotterbeck served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Carefusion, a global medical technology company that was spun-off from Cardinal Health, a diversified health service company, from September 2009 until his retirement in February 2011. Prior to the spinoff, beginning in January 2008, he served as Vice Chairman of Cardinal Health, and, beginning in August 2006, he served as Chief Executive Officer of Cardinal Health s Clinical and Medical Products business. He has previously held executive leadership roles at Alaris Medical Systems, Pacific Scientific Company, Vitalcom, Inc. and Nellcor, Inc. Mr. Schlotterbeck is a graduate of the General Motors Institute with a bachelor s of science degree in electrical engineering. He also holds a master s of science degree in electrical engineering from Purdue University and completed the Executive Institute at Stanford University. Mr. Schlotterbeck has served as a director of Maxwell Technologies Inc. since May 2013. He also served as a member of the board of directors or Virtual Radiologic Corporation from June 2008 to July 2010.

Mr. Schlotterbeck s experience as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Carefusion and vice chairman and chief executive officers of the Clinical and Medical Products business segment of Cardinal Health has provided him with broad leadership and executive experience. In addition, his experience as a director in other public companies provides him with an understanding of the operation of other boards of directors that he can contribute as a board member and chair of the compensation committee.

Shaygan Kheradpir

Age 53 Director since 2013

Board Committees: Stock, M&A

Other Public Company Boards:

None

Mr. Kheradpir joined Juniper on December 31, 2013 as a member of our Board of Directors, and became our Chief Executive Officer on January 1, 2014. Prior to Juniper, Mr. Kheradpir served as Chief Operations and Technology Officer at Barclays PLC since March 2013. Prior to his appointment as Chief Operations and Technology Officer, beginning in January 2011, he was Chief Operating Officer of Barclays global retail business bank. From January 2007 to December 2010, Mr. Kheradpir served as the Executive Vice President and Chief Information & Technical Officer for Verizon Communications, where he was responsible for the information technology initiatives of all of Verizon s business units. Prior to this, Mr. Kheradpir was Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer for Verizon Telecom, with oversight of all information technology initiatives for the company s wireline communications unit. Mr. Kheradpir began his communications career with GTE in 1987. Mr. Kheradpir was a member of the National Institute of Standards & Technology VCAT (Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology), an adjunct professor of electrical engineering at Northeastern University, and holds several patents. Mr. Kheradpir holds a Bachelor s, Master s and Doctorate degree in electrical engineering from Cornell University.

Mr. Kheradpir s day-to-day involvement in the Company s business has provided him with extensive knowledge and understanding of the Company and its industry. As Chief Executive Officer, he is able to provide the Company s Board of Directors with insight and information related to the Company s strategy, operations, and business. His prior experience in a number of substantial management roles at Barclays and Verizon Communications provided him with extensive experience in building and operating complex networks and a detailed knowledge of our customers and industry.

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Age: 54

Other Public Company Boards: Violin Memory, Inc., Calix Inc.

Mr. DeNuccio became President and Chief Executive Officer of Violin Memory, a memory based storage array solutions company, in February 2014. Prior to joining Violin Memory, Mr. DeNuccio served as a co-founder of Wild West Capital, LLC, a venture and technology consulting firm he co-founded in July 2012. Prior to that, Mr. DeNuccio served as Chief Executive Officer of Metaswitch Networks, a provider of carrier systems and software solutions that enable communication networks to migrate to open, packet-based architectures, from February 2010 to July 2012. Mr. DeNuccio was President and Chief Executive Officer of Redback Networks Inc., a provider of advanced communications networking equipment, from August 2001 to January 2008, during which time it was acquired by LM Ericsson in January 2007 and operated as a wholly-owned subsidiary of LM Ericsson. Mr. DeNuccio held various positions at Cisco Systems, Inc. from 1995 to 2001, including Senior Vice President of Worldwide Service Provider Operations. Previously, Mr. DeNuccio was the founder, President and Chief Executive Officer of Bell Atlantic Network Integration Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bell Atlantic (now Verizon Communications). Mr. DeNuccio has a B.A. in Finance from Northeastern University and an M.B.A. from Columbia University. Mr. DeNuccio has served as a director of Violin Memory since February 2014, and Calix, Inc. since September 2012. Mr. DeNuccio previously served as a director of Metaswitch Networks from December 2008 to February 2014, JDS Uniphase Corporation from December 2005 to November 2009 and Redback Networks Inc. from August 2001 to December 2009.

Mr. DeNuccio s experience as a senior executive at many companies in the technology industry, including as chief executive officer at two networking companies, has provided him with broad leadership and executive experience and senior leadership, management, operational and technological expertise. Mr. DeNuccio also brings public company governance experience as a member of boards and board committees of other technology companies.

#### Gary Daichendt

Age: 62 Other Public Company Boards: NCR Corporation, ShoreTel, Inc., Emulex Corporation

Mr. Daichendt has been principally occupied as a private investor since June 2005 and has been a managing member of Theory R Properties LLC, a commercial real estate firm, since October 2002. Mr. Daichendt served as President and Chief Operating Officer of Nortel Networks Corporation, a supplier of communication equipment, from March 2005 to June 2005. Prior to joining Nortel Networks, Mr. Daichendt served in a number of senior executive positions at Cisco Systems, Inc., a manufacturer of communications and information technology networking products, for 5 years, including as Executive Vice President, Worldwide Operations. Mr. Daichendt currently serves as a Director of NCR Corporation, ShoreTel, Inc., and Emulex Corporation.

Mr. Daichendt s experience as an officer of various networking industry companies has provided him with expertise in management and operations and in our industry. Mr. Daichendt also brings public company governance experience as a member of boards and board committees of other technology companies.

#### **Continuing Directors**

## Mercedes Johnson

Age 60

Director since 2011

Board Committees: Audit, Nominating and Corporate Governance

Other Public Company Boards: Micron Technology, Inc., Intersil Corporation

Ms. Johnson was Interim Chief Financial Officer of Intersil Corporation from April 2013 through September 2013, and was the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Avago Technologies Limited, a supplier of analog interface components for communications, industrial and consumer applications, from December 2005 to August 2008. She also served as the Senior Vice President, Finance, of Lam Research Corporation from June 2004 to January 2005 and as Lam s Chief Financial Officer from May 1997 to May 2004. Ms. Johnson holds a degree in Accounting from the University of Buenos Aires and currently serves on the Board of Directors for Micron Technology, Inc., a manufacturer of semiconductor devices, and Intersil Corporation, a manufacturer of analog and mixed-signal circuits.

Ms. Johnson s experience as a senior financial executive at several technology companies has given her expertise in finance, corporate development, management and operations. She also brings public company governance experience as a member of boards and board committees of other technology companies. She can contribute this expertise as a board member and a member of the Audit and Nominating and Governance Committees.

Proposals to be Voted on

#### Scott Kriens

Age 56 Director since 199

Board Committees: Chairman of the Board

Other Public Company Boards

Mr. Kriens has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Juniper Networks since October 1996 and served as Chief Executive Officer of Juniper Networks from October 1996 to September 2008, and as an employee of Juniper Networks from September 2008 through April 2011. From April 1986 to January 1996, Mr. Kriens served as Vice President of Sales and Vice President of Operations at StrataCom, Inc., a telecommunications equipment company, which he co-founded in 1986. Mr. Kriens also serves on the board of directors of Equinix, Inc., a provider of global data center services, and served on the board of directors of VeriSign, Inc., a provider of digital infrastructure solutions, from January 2001 to May 2008.

As a result of Mr. Kriens prior service as the Company s Chief Executive Officer, he developed an extensive understanding of the Company s business and the networking industry and can contribute to the Board a highly informed perspective on the business independent from that of the Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Kriens experience with the Company from its early stages also offers the Board insight to the evolution of the Company, including from execution, cultural, operational, competitive and industry points of view. In addition, his experience as a director at other technology companies provides him with an understanding of the operation of other boards of directors that he can contribute in his role as Chairman.

#### William R. Stensrud

Age 63 Director since 1996

Board Committees: Stock, M&A, Compensation

Other Public Company Boards: None

Mr. Stensrud is a Partner of the SwitchCase Group, a consulting company, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of InstantEncore.com, a provider of web and mobile technology to the performing arts, and Chairman and Principal at Interactive Fitness Holdings, a designer and manufacturer of virtual stationary bicycles. From January 2007 to March 2007, he served as Chairman and CEO of Muze, Inc., a provider of business-to-business digital commerce solutions and descriptive entertainment media information. Mr. Stensrud was a general partner with the venture capital firm of Enterprise Partners from January 1997 to December 2006. Mr. Stensrud was an independent investor and turn-around executive from March 1996 to January 1997. During this period, Mr. Stensrud served as President of Paradyne Corporation and as a director of Paradyne Corporation, Paradyne Partners LLP and GlobeSpan Corporation, Inc. (acquired by Conexant, Inc.), all data networking companies. From January 1992 to July 1995, Mr. Stensrud served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Primary Access Corporation, a data networking company acquired by 3Com Corporation. From 1986 to 1992, Mr. Stensrud served as the Marketing Vice President of StrataCom, Inc., a telecommunications equipment company, which Mr. Stensrud co-founded.

Mr. Stensrud s years of experience in venture capital and in the management of a wide variety of technology companies have exposed him to a broad range of issues affecting businesses, including a number of businesses in our industry. In particular, Mr. Stensrud s experience as an operating executive in the telecommunications and data communications industry provides the Board and management with knowledge and perspective on the Company s daily operating challenges. His work has included analyzing and focusing on improving various aspects of businesses, including operations, strategies and financial performance.

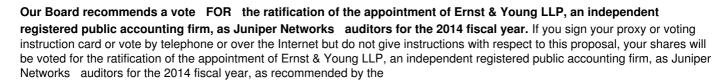
# Proposal No. 2 Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Audit Committee of the Board has appointed Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, to audit Juniper Networks consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014. During fiscal 2013, Ernst & Young served as Juniper Networks independent registered public accounting firm and also provided certain tax and other audit related services. See Principal Accountant Fees and Services on page 52. Representatives of Ernst & Young are expected to attend the annual meeting, where they are expected to be available to respond to appropriate questions and, if they desire, to make a statement.

Although ratification is not required by our bylaws or otherwise, the Board is submitting the selection of Ernst & Young LLP to our stockholders for ratification because we value our stockholders views on the Company's independent registered public accounting firm and as a matter of good corporate practice. If the appointment is not ratified, the Audit Committee will consider whether it should select other independent auditors. Even if the appointment is ratified, the Audit Committee, in its discretion, may appoint a different independent registered public accounting firm as Juniper Networks independent auditors at any time during the year if the Audit Committee determines that such a change would be in the Company's and its stockholders best interests.

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Board. This proposal is considered routine; therefore, your broker may vote your shares if you do not provide separate instructions.

# **Vote Required**

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Ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as auditors for fiscal 2014 requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of Juniper Networks common stock present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to be voted at the meeting.

# Proposal No. 3 Non-Binding Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

This proposal provides our stockholders with the opportunity to cast an advisory vote on the compensation of our named executive officers ( NEOs ) pursuant to section 14A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ). For more detail on our NEOs, please see the Compensation Discussion and Analysis beginning on page 21 and the Summary Compensation Table beginning on page 44. This proposal, commonly known as a Say on Pay proposal, gives you, as a stockholder, the opportunity to express your views on our executive compensation programs and policies and the compensation paid to our NEOs.

The Say on Pay vote is advisory, and therefore not binding on the Company, the Compensation Committee or the Board of Directors. Although the vote is non-binding, the Compensation Committee and the Board will review the votinglign:left;font-size:10pt;">

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Decrease in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash (1,133)

(627)

Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period 2,433

2,161

Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period $ 1,300
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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Change in Shareholders' Equity \$ and shares in millions, except per share amounts (unaudited)

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	Commo Shares	orCommo Stock	Prepaid Share Repurchas	I ala III	nal Retained Earnings	Accumulate Other Comprehens Income	
Balances at January 28, 2017	311	\$ 31	\$ —	\$ —	\$4,399	\$ 279	\$4,709
Adoption of ASU 2016-09		<u> </u>	<u>.</u>	10	(12)	_	(2)
Net earnings, nine months ended October 28, 201	7—		_		636		636
Other comprehensive income, net of tax							
Foreign currency translation adjustments	_		_	_	_	25	25
Stock-based compensation			_	97	_		97
Restricted stock vested and stock options	7	1		107			120
exercised	7	1	_	137	_		138
Issuance of common stock under employee stock				7			7
purchase plan				7		_	1
Common stock dividends, \$1.02 per share					(311)	_	(311)
Repurchase of common stock	(22)	(2)	_	(251)	(894)	_	(1,147)
Balances at October 28, 2017	296	\$ 30	\$ —	\$ —	\$3,818	\$ 304	\$4,152
Balances at January 30, 2016	324	\$ 32	\$ (55)	\$ —	\$4,130	\$ 271	\$4,378
Net earnings, nine months ended October 29, 2010	5—	_	_		621	_	621
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:							
Foreign currency translation adjustments	_	_	_	_	_	6	6
Stock-based compensation			_	82	_	_	82
Restricted stock vested and stock options	5	1		59			60
exercised		•					
Settlement of accelerated share repurchase	_	_	55	_	_		55
Issuance of common stock under employee stock				7	_		7
purchase plan							
Tax loss from stock options exercised, restricted	_		_	(3)	_		(3)
stock vesting and employee stock purchase plan					(417		
Common stock dividends, \$1.29 per share	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	_	(1.45)	(417 )		(417 )
Repurchase of common stock	(16 )	(2)	Φ	(145)	(381)	—	(528)
Balances at October 29, 2016	313	\$ 31	\$ —	\$ —	\$3,953	\$ 277	\$4,261

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited)

#### 1. Basis of Presentation

Unless the context otherwise requires, the use of the terms "Best Buy," "we," "us" and "our" in these Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements refers to Best Buy Co., Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation as prescribed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"). All adjustments were comprised of normal recurring adjustments, except as noted in these Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Historically, we have generated a higher proportion of our revenue and earnings in the fourth fiscal quarter, which includes the majority of the holiday shopping season in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. Due to the seasonal nature of our business, interim results are not necessarily indicative of results for the entire fiscal year. The interim financial statements and the related notes in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017. The first nine months of fiscal 2018 and fiscal 2017 included 39 weeks.

In order to align our fiscal reporting periods and comply with statutory filing requirements, we consolidate the financial results of our Mexico operations on a one-month lag. Our policy is to accelerate recording the effect of events occurring in the lag period that significantly affect our condensed consolidated financial statements. No such events were identified for the reported periods.

In preparing the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements, we evaluated the period from October 29, 2017, through the date the financial statements were issued, for material subsequent events requiring recognition or disclosure. No such events were identified for this period.

#### **Unadopted Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers. The new guidance establishes a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue and supersedes most current revenue recognition guidance. It introduces a five-step process for revenue recognition that focuses on transfer of control, as opposed to transfer of risk and rewards under current guidance. It also requires significantly expanded disclosures regarding revenues.

Based on our analysis thus far, we believe the impact of adopting the new guidance will be immaterial to our annual and interim financial statements. The primary impacts we have identified thus far are:

Minor changes to the timing of recognition of revenues related to gift cards and loyalty programs;

Changes to certain immaterial revenues that are currently reported on a gross basis, to be reported on a net basis (with no change in timing of recognition) with consequently no impacts to earnings; and

The balance sheet presentation of our sales returns reserve, which will be shown as a separate asset and liability versus the current net presentation.

In addition, we expect adoption to lead to increased footnote disclosures, particularly with regard to revenue related balance sheet accounts and revenue by channel and category. We also expect the adoption and consequent changes to our procedures and methodologies to require adjustments to our internal controls over financial reporting.

As interpretations of the new rules continue to evolve, we will continue to monitor developments and expect to finalize our conclusions in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018. We plan to adopt this standard in the first quarter of our fiscal 2019. Providing we ultimately conclude that the impacts of adoption are immaterial, we would expect to use the modified retrospective method. Under this method, we would recognize the cumulative effect of the changes in retained earnings at the date of adoption, but would not restate prior periods.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, Leases. The new guidance was issued to increase transparency and comparability among companies by requiring most leases to be included on the balance sheet and by expanding disclosure

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requirements. Based on the effective dates, we expect to adopt the new guidance in the first quarter of fiscal 2020 using the modified retrospective method. While we expect adoption to lead to a material increase in the assets and liabilities recorded on our balance sheet and an increase to our footnote disclosures related to leases, we are still evaluating the impact on our consolidated statement of earnings. We also expect that adoption of the new standard will require changes to our internal controls over financial reporting.

#### Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In the first quarter of fiscal 2018, we adopted the following ASUs:

ASU 2015-11, Inventory: Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory. The adoption did not have a material impact on our results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

ASU 2016-09, Compensation - Stock Compensation: Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting. Excess tax benefits and tax deficiencies are now recognized in our provision for income taxes as a discrete event rather than as a component of stockholders' equity. In addition, we elected to account for forfeitures as they occur. The cumulative effect of this policy change amounted to \$12 million, net of tax, and was recorded as a reduction to our retained earnings opening balance. Finally, we elected to present the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows on a retrospective transition method, and prior periods have been adjusted to present excess tax benefits as cash flows from operating activities.

ASU 2016-15, Statement of Cash Flows: Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments, and ASU 2016-18, Statement of Cash Flows: Restricted Cash. The retrospective adoption increased our beginning and ending cash balance within our statement of cash flows. The adoption had no other material impacts to our cash flow statement and had no impact on our results of operations or financial position.

The following table reconciles the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows line items impacted by the adoption of these standards at October 29, 2016:

•		-	ASU 6 2016-09 6 Adjustment	ASU 2016- t Adjus	-15	ASU 2016-18 Adjustment	October 29, 201 Adjuste	6
Oper	ating activities							
Othe	r, net	\$ (34	) \$ 12	\$	—	\$ —	\$ (22	)
Chan	ges in operating assets and liabilities:							
Rece	ivables	80	_	(1	)		79	
Merc	handise inventories	(1,370	) —	1		_	(1,369	)
Total	cash provided by operating activities	1,395	12	_		_	1,407	
Chan	eting activities ge in restricted assets cash used in investing activities	(8 (856	) — ) —	_		8 8	— (848	)
Finar	ncing activities							
Othe	r, net	20	(12)	_		_	8	
Total	cash used in financing activities	(1,187	) (12			_	(1,199	)
Decre	ease in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(635	) —	_		8	(627	)
Cash	, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of	1,976				185	2,161	
perio	d	1,970	<del></del>	_		103	2,101	

Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period \$1,341 \$ — \$ 193 \$1,534

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Total Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash reported within the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet to the total shown in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows:

	October 28,	January 28,	October 29,
	2017	2017	2016
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,103	\$ 2,240	\$ 1,341
Restricted cash included in Other current assets	197	193	193
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$ 1,300	\$ 2,433	\$ 1,534

Amounts included in restricted cash are pledged as collateral or restricted to use for general liability insurance and workers' compensation insurance.

#### 2. Discontinued Operations

Discontinued operations are primarily comprised of Jiangsu Five Star Appliance Co., Limited ("Five Star") within our International segment. In February 2015, we completed the sale of Five Star. Following the sale, we continued to hold as available for sale one retail property in Shanghai, China. In May 2016, we completed the sale of the property and recognized a gain. The gain on sale of the property is included in Other, net within the operating activities section of the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

The aggregate financial results of discontinued operations were as follows (\$ in millions):

	Three Months Ended			Nine	onths	
				Ende		
	October 20,			, Octo	<b>128</b> her 29,	
	2017 2016			2017 2016		
Gain from discontinued operations before income tax expense	\$ 1	\$	2	\$ 1	\$	28
Income tax expense				—	7	
Net gain from discontinued operations	\$ 1	\$	2	\$ 1	\$	21

#### 3. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. To measure fair value, we use a three-tier valuation hierarchy based upon observable and non-observable inputs:

Level 1 — Unadjusted quoted prices that are available in active markets for the identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date.

Level 2 — Significant other observable inputs available at the measurement date, other than quoted prices included in Level 1, either directly or indirectly, including:

Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;

Ouoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in non-active markets;

Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and

Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by other observable market data.

Level 3 — Significant unobservable inputs that cannot be corroborated by observable market data and reflect the use of significant management judgment. These values are generally determined using pricing models for which the assumptions utilize management's estimates of market participant assumptions.

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The fair value hierarchy requires the use of observable market data when available. In instances where the inputs used to measure fair value fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the fair value measurement has been determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. Our assessment of the significance of a particular item to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, including the consideration of inputs specific to the asset or liability.

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The following table sets forth our financial assets and liabilities that were accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis at October 28, 2017, January 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, by level within the fair value hierarchy as determined by the valuation techniques we used to determine the fair value (\$ in millions):

	Fair	Value at		
Fair Value Hierarchy		o <b>llenûa</b> r;y 28,	October 29,	
	201	72017	2016	
Level 1	\$84	\$ 290	\$ 97	
Level 2	_	15	11	
Level 2	588	349	250	
Level 2	1,64	91,332	1,527	
Level 1	8	7	3	
Level 2	60	60	60	
Level 2	5	2	5	
Level 2	3		_	
Level 2	100	100	100	
Level 1	98	96	96	
Level 2	—	13	13	
Level 2	5	3	3	
Level 2	3	_		
	Level 1 Level 2	Fair Value Hierarchy Octo 2017  Level 1	Level 1 \$84 \$ 290 Level 2 — 15  Level 2 588 349 Level 2 1,6491,332  Level 1 8 7 Level 2 60 60 Level 2 5 2 Level 2 3 — 100 100  Level 1 98 96 Level 2 — 13  Level 2 5 3  Level 2 5 3	

There were no transfers between levels during the periods presented. During the third quarter of fiscal 2017, our remaining investments in auction rate securities ("ARS"), which were classified as Level 3, were called at par, which resulted in proceeds of \$2 million and no realized gain or loss. Other than as described, there were no changes in the beginning and ending balances of items measured at fair value on a recurring basis in the tables above that used significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the periods presented.

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instrument:

Money market funds. Our money market fund investments were measured at fair value as they trade in an active market using quoted market prices and, therefore, were classified as Level 1.

Time deposits. Our time deposits are balances held with banking institutions that cannot be withdrawn for specified terms without a penalty. Time deposits are held at face value plus accrued interest, which approximates fair value, and are classified as Level 2.

Commercial paper. Our investments in commercial paper were measured using inputs based upon quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets and, therefore, were classified as Level 2.

Foreign currency derivative instruments. Comprised primarily of foreign currency forward contracts and foreign currency swap contracts, our foreign currency derivative instruments were measured at fair value using readily observable market inputs, such as quotations on forward foreign exchange points and foreign interest rates. Our foreign currency derivative instruments were classified as Level 2 as these instruments are custom, over-the-counter contracts with various bank counterparties that are not traded in an active market.

Interest rate swap derivative instruments. Our interest rate swap contracts were measured at fair value using readily observable inputs, such as the LIBOR interest rate. Our interest rate swap derivative instruments were classified as Level 2

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as these instruments are custom, over-the-counter contracts with various bank counterparties that are not traded in an active market.

Marketable securities that fund deferred compensation. The assets that fund our deferred compensation consist of investments in mutual funds. These investments were classified as Level 1 as the shares of these mutual funds trade with sufficient frequency and volume to enable us to obtain pricing information on an ongoing basis.

Assets and Liabilities that are Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

Assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis relate primarily to our tangible fixed assets, goodwill and other intangible assets, which are remeasured when the derived fair value is below carrying value on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. For these assets, we do not periodically adjust carrying value to fair value, except in the event of impairment. When we determine that impairment has occurred, the carrying value of the asset is reduced to fair value and the difference is recorded within Selling, general and administrative expenses and Restructuring charges in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings for non-restructuring and restructuring charges, respectively.

The following table summarizes the fair value remeasurements for property and equipment impairments recorded during the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (\$ in millions):

	Impairments		Remaining Net Carrying Value <sup>(1)</sup>
	Three Months	Nine Months	
	Ended	Ended	
	Octobero 1881; 2	9, Octobortesher 29	Octobe O280 ber 29,
	201 <b>2</b> 016	2017 2016	2017 2016
Property and equipment (non-restructuring)	\$2 \$ 8	\$ 8 \$ 16	\$\$
Property and equipment (restructuring) <sup>(2)</sup>	— 1	— 8	
Total	\$2 \$ 9	\$ 8 \$ 24	\$\$

Remaining net carrying value approximates fair value. Because assets subject to long-lived asset impairment are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis, certain fair value measurements presented in the table may reflect values at earlier measurement dates and may no longer represent the fair values at October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016.

(2) See Note 5, Restructuring Charges, for additional information.

All of the fair value remeasurements included in the table above were based on significant unobservable inputs (Level 3). Fixed asset fair values were derived using a discounted cash flow ("DCF") model to estimate the present value of net cash flows that the asset or asset group was expected to generate. The key inputs to the DCF model generally included our forecasts of net cash generated from revenue, expenses and other significant cash outflows, such as capital expenditures, as well as an appropriate discount rate. In the case of assets for which the impairment was the result of restructuring activities, no future cash flows have been assumed as the assets will cease to be used and expected sale values are nominal.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Our financial instruments, other than those presented in the disclosures above, include cash, receivables, other investments, accounts payable, other payables and long-term debt. The fair values of cash, receivables, accounts payable and other payables approximated carrying values because of the short-term nature of these instruments. If these instruments were measured at fair value in the financial statements, they would be classified as Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy. Fair values for other investments held at cost are not readily available, but we estimate that the

carrying values for these investments approximate fair value. See Note 6, Debt, for information about the fair value of our long-term debt.

# 4. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

The following table provides the carrying values of goodwill and indefinite-lived tradenames for the Domestic segment (\$ in millions):

_	October 28,	January 28,	October 29,
	2017	2017	2016
Goodwill	\$ 425	\$ 425	\$ 425
Intangible assets included in Other assets	18	18	18

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The following table provides the gross carrying amount of goodwill and cumulative goodwill impairment (\$ in millions):

October 28, 2017 January 28, 2017 October 29, 2016
Gross Cumulative
Carrying Impairment
Amount Amount Coodwill\$1,100 \$ 675

January 28, 2017 October 29, 2016
Gross Cumulative
Carrying Impairment
Amount Amount Amount S1,100 \$ 675

#### 5. Restructuring Charges

Charges incurred in the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, for our restructuring activities were as follows (\$ in millions):

Three Months Nine Months Ended Ended October 29, October 29, 20172016 2017 2016 \$ - \$ 26 Renew Blue Phase 2 \$ — \$ Canadian brand consolidation (2) (2 (3) (1 ) Renew Blue<sup>(1)</sup> 3 4 1 **—** 1 Other restructuring activities<sup>(2)</sup> — 1 \$ -- \$ 30 Total restructuring charges \$(2)\$ 1

Represents activity related to our remaining vacant space liability, primarily in our International segment, for our Renew Blue restructuring program, which began in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013. We may continue to incur

- (1) immaterial adjustments to the liability for changes in sublease assumptions or potential lease buyouts. In addition, lease payments for vacated stores will continue until leases expire or are terminated. The remaining vacant space liability was \$11 million at October 28, 2017.
- Represents activity related to our remaining vacant space liability for U.S. large-format store closures in fiscal 2013. We may continue to incur immaterial adjustments to the liability for changes in sublease assumptions or potential lease buyouts. In addition, lease payments for vacated stores will continue until leases expire or are terminated. The remaining vacant space liability was \$7 million at October 28, 2017.

#### Renew Blue Phase 2

In the first quarter of fiscal 2017, we took several strategic actions to eliminate and simplify certain components of our operations and restructure certain field and corporate teams as part of our Renew Blue Phase 2 plan. No charges were incurred in the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017. We incurred charges of \$1 million and \$26 million related to Phase 2 of the plan during the three and nine months ended October 29, 2016, respectively. The charges incurred consisted of employee termination benefits and property and equipment impairments. All restructuring charges related to this plan are from continuing operations and are presented in Restructuring charges in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings.

The composition of the restructuring charges we incurred for Renew Blue Phase 2 during the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, as well as, the cumulative amount incurred through October 28, 2017, was as follows (\$ in millions):

Domestic
Three Months Nine Months Cumulative
Ended Ended Amount
October 2829, October 28,
202016 20172016 2017

Property and equipment impairments	s \$ <del>-\$</del>	1	\$ -\$ 8	\$	8
Termination benefits			<b>—</b> 18	18	
Total restructuring charges	\$ <del>-\$</del>	1	\$ -\$ 26	\$	26

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As of October 28, 2017, and January 28, 2017, there was no restructuring accrual balance. The restructuring accrual activity related to termination benefits was as follows for the nine months ended October 29, 2016 (\$ in millions):

	Terminatio			
	Ben			
Balances at January 30, 2016	\$	—		
Charges	19			
Cash payments	(16		)	
Adjustments <sup>(1)</sup>	(2		)	
Balances at October 29, 2016	\$	1		

<sup>(1)</sup> Adjustments to termination benefits represent changes in retention assumptions.

#### Canadian Brand Consolidation

In the first quarter of fiscal 2016, we consolidated the Future Shop and Best Buy stores and websites in Canada under the Best Buy brand. This resulted in the permanent closure of 66 Future Shop stores and the conversion of the remaining 65 Future Shop stores to the Best Buy brand. All restructuring charges related to this plan are from continuing operations and are presented in Restructuring charges in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings.

The composition of total restructuring charges we incurred for the Canadian brand consolidation in the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, as well as, the cumulative amount incurred through October 28, 2017, was as follows (\$ in millions):

	Inter	national						
	Three Months			Nine !	Month	Cumulative		
	Ende	d		Ended	1		Amount	
	Octo	b <b>Orc128</b> ber	29,	Octob	<b>@28</b> }	er 29,	October	28,
	2017	2016		2017	2016		2017	
Inventory write-downs	<b>\$</b> —	\$ —		<b>\$</b> —	\$ —	-	\$ 3	
Property and equipment impairments	_	_		_	_		30	
Tradename impairment	_	_		_	_		40	
Termination benefits	_	_		_	_		25	
Facility closure and other costs	(2)	(2	)	(3)	(1	)	102	
Total restructuring charges	\$(2)	\$ (2	)	\$(3)	\$ (1	)	\$ 200	

The following tables summarize our restructuring accrual activity during the nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, related to termination benefits and facility closure and other costs associated with the Canadian brand consolidation (\$ in millions):

	Termination Benefits	Closure and Other Costs	Total	
Balances at January 28, 2017	\$ —	\$ 34	\$34	
Cash payments		(14)	(14)	
Adjustments <sup>(1)</sup>		(3)	(3)	
Changes in foreign currency exchange rates	_	1	1	
Balances at October 28, 2017	\$ —	\$ 18	\$18	
Balances at January 30, 2016	\$ 2	\$ 64	\$66	
Charges	_	1	1	
Cash payments	(2)	(29)	(31)	

Adjustments <sup>(1)</sup>		(2		)	(2	)
Changes in foreign currency exchange rates		3			3	
Balances at October 29, 2016	\$ _	\$	37		\$37	7

(1) Adjustments to facility closure and other costs represent changes in sublease assumptions.

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#### 6. Debt

Long-term debt consisted of the following (\$ in millions):

	October 28,	January 28,	October 29,
	2017	2017	2016
2018 Notes	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
2021 Notes	650	650	650
Interest rate swap valuation adjustments		13	13
Subtotal	1,150	1,163	1,163
Debt discounts and issuance costs	(3)	(5)	(5)
Financing lease obligations	158	177	180
Capital lease obligations	24	30	29
Total long-term debt	1,329	1,365	1,367
Less: current portion	545	44	43
Total long-term debt, less current portion	\$ 784	\$ 1,321	\$ 1,324

Our 2018 Notes, due August 1, 2018, are classified within our Current portion of long-term debt as of October 28, 2017. The fair value of total long-term debt, excluding debt discounts and issuance costs and financing and capital lease obligations, approximated \$1,219 million, \$1,240 million and \$1,260 million at October 28, 2017, January 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, respectively, based primarily on the market prices quoted from external sources, compared with carrying values of \$1,150 million, \$1,163 million and \$1,163 million, respectively. If long-term debt was measured at fair value in the financial statements, it would be classified primarily as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

See Note 5, Debt, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017, for additional information regarding the terms of our debt facilities, debt instruments and other obligations.

#### 7. Derivative Instruments

We manage our economic and transaction exposure to certain risks through the use of foreign currency and interest rate swap derivative instruments. Our objective in holding derivatives is to reduce the volatility of net earnings, cash flows and net asset value associated with changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. We do not hold derivative instruments for trading or speculative purposes. We have no derivatives that have credit risk-related contingent features, and we mitigate our credit risk by engaging with major financial institutions as our counterparties.

We record all derivative instruments on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value and evaluate hedge effectiveness prospectively and retrospectively when electing to apply hedge accounting. We formally document all hedging relations at inception for derivative hedges and the underlying hedged items, as well as the risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking the hedge transaction. In addition, we have derivatives which are not designated as hedging instruments.

# Net Investment Hedges

We use foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge against the effect of Canadian dollar exchange rate fluctuations on a portion of our net investment in our Canadian operations. The contracts have terms up to 12 months. For a net investment hedge, we recognize changes in the fair value of the derivative as a component of foreign currency

translation within other comprehensive income to offset a portion of the change in translated value of the net investment being hedged, until the investment is sold or liquidated. We limit recognition in net earnings of amounts previously recorded in other comprehensive income to circumstances such as complete or substantially complete liquidation of the net investment in the hedged foreign operation. We report the ineffective portion of the gain or loss, if any, in net earnings.

## Interest Rate Swaps

We use "receive fixed-rate, pay variable-rate" interest rate swaps to mitigate the effect of interest rate fluctuations on our 2018 Notes and our 2021 Notes. Our interest rate swap contracts are considered perfect hedges because the critical terms and notional amounts match those of our fixed-rate debt being hedged and are, therefore, accounted as fair value hedges using the

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shortcut method. Under the shortcut method, we recognize the change in the fair value of the derivatives with an offsetting change to the carrying value of the debt. Accordingly, there is no impact on our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings from the fair value of the derivatives.

## Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

We use foreign currency forward contracts to manage the impact of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates relative to recognized receivable and payable balances denominated in non-functional currencies and on certain forecast inventory purchases denominated in non-functional currencies. The contracts generally have terms of up to 12 months. These derivative instruments are not designated as hedging relationships, and, therefore, we record gains and losses on these contracts directly to net earnings.

#### Summary of Derivative Balances

The following table presents the gross fair values for outstanding derivative instruments and the corresponding classification at October 28, 2017, January 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (\$ in millions):

	Oct	obe	r 28,		Ianuar	v 28	2017	Octobe	er 29	2016
	201	7			Junuan	, 20,	2017	Octob	J1 2)	, 2010
	Ass	etsI	Liabi	lities	Assets	Liab	ilities	Assets	Lial	oilities
Derivatives designated as net investment hedges <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 3	5	\$	5	\$ 2	\$	2	\$ 4	\$	3
Derivatives designated as interest rate swaps <sup>(2)</sup>	3	3	3		13	_		13		
No hedge designation (foreign exchange forward contracts) <sup>(1)</sup>	2	-	_			1		1		
Total	\$ 8	9	\$	8	\$ 15	\$	3	\$ 18	\$	3

(1) The fair value is recorded in Other current assets or Accrued liabilities.

As of October 28, 2017, the fair value of the interest rate swaps related to our 2018 Notes is recorded in Other current assets or Accrued liabilities, while the interest rate swaps related to our 2021 Notes is recorded in Other assets or Long-term liabilities. For all previous periods, the fair value is recorded in Other assets or Long-term liabilities.

The following table presents the effects of derivative instruments by contract type on other comprehensive income ("OCI") and on our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (\$ in millions):

	Three Months Ended Octob@c28ber 29 2017 2016	Nine Months Ended , Octob@c28ber 29, 2017 2016
Derivatives designated as net investment hedges		
Pre-tax gain (loss) recognized in OCI	\$8 \$ 6	\$(3) \$ (10)
Derivatives designated as interest rate swaps		
Gain (loss) recognized within Interest expense		
Interest rate swap gain	\$16 \$ 14	\$13 \$ 12
Long-term debt loss	(16) (14)	(13) (12)
Net impact	\$_ \$ _	\$— \$ —
No hedge designation (foreign exchange forward contracts) Gain (loss) recognized within Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$2 \$ 1	<b>\$</b> (1) <b>\$</b> (2 )

The following table presents the notional amounts of our derivative instruments at October 28, 2017, January 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (\$ in millions):

	October 28,	January 28,	October 29,
	2017	2017	2016
Derivatives designated as net investment hedges	\$ 240	\$ 205	\$ 203
Derivatives designated as interest rate swaps	1,150	750	750
No hedge designation (foreign exchange forward contracts)	64	43	59
Total	\$ 1,454	\$ 998	\$ 1,012

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# 8. Earnings per Share

We compute our basic earnings per share based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding and our diluted earnings per share based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding adjusted by the number of additional shares that would have been outstanding had potentially dilutive common shares been issued. Potentially dilutive securities include stock options, nonvested share awards and shares issuable under our employee stock purchase plan. Nonvested market-based share awards and nonvested performance-based share awards are included in the average diluted shares outstanding for each period, if established market or performance criteria have been met at the end of the respective periods.

The following table presents a reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of basic and diluted earnings per share from continuing operations for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (\$ and shares in millions, except per share amounts):

Shares in minions, except per share amounts).	Ended	e 10286) ber 29,	Nine M Ended Octobe 2017	<b>©28</b> 9ber 29,
Numerator				
Net earnings from continuing operations	\$238	\$ 192	\$635	\$ 600
Denominator				
Weighted-average common shares outstanding	299.1	316.2	304.1	320.2
Dilutive effect of stock compensation plan awards	6.3	3.8	6.5	3.4
Weighted-average common shares outstanding, assuming dilution	305.4	320.0	310.6	323.6
Net earnings per share from continuing operations				
Basic	\$0.80	\$ 0.61	\$2.09	\$ 1.87
Diluted	\$0.78	\$ 0.60	\$2.05	\$ 1.85

The computation of weighted-average common shares outstanding, assuming dilution, excluded options to purchase zero shares and 6.3 million shares of common stock for the three months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, respectively, and options to purchase zero shares and 6.9 million shares of common stock for the nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, respectively. These amounts were excluded as the options' exercise prices were greater than the average market price of our common stock for the periods presented, and, therefore, the effect would be anti-dilutive (i.e., including such options would result in higher earnings per share).

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#### 9. Comprehensive Income

The following tables provide a reconciliation of the components of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax, attributable to Best Buy Co., Inc. for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (\$ in millions):

	Fo	oreign	
	Cı	ırrency	
	Tr	anslatio	n
Balances at July 29, 2017	\$	321	
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(1	7	)
Balances at October 28, 2017	\$	304	
Balances at January 28, 2017	\$	279	
Foreign currency translation adjustments	25	i	
Balances at October 28, 2017	\$	304	
Balances at July 30, 2016	\$	296	
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(1	9	)
Balances at October 29, 2016	\$	277	
Balances at January 30, 2016	\$	271	
Foreign currency translation adjustments	6		
Balances at October 29, 2016	\$	277	

The gains and losses on our net investment hedges, which are included in foreign currency translation adjustments, were not material for the periods presented. There is generally no tax impact related to foreign currency translation adjustments, as the earnings are considered permanently reinvested.

#### 10. Repurchase of Common Stock

Our Board of Directors authorized a \$5.0 billion share repurchase program in February 2017. The program, which became effective on February 27, 2017, terminated and replaced a \$5.0 billion share repurchase program authorized by our Board of Directors in June 2011. There is no expiration governing the period over which we can make our share repurchases under the February 2017 \$5.0 billion share repurchase program.

The following table presents information regarding the shares we repurchased during the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (\$ and shares in millions, except per share amounts):

	Three Months		Nine Months		
	Ended		Ended		
	Octobe	r <b>Q8</b> tober 29,	October <b>Q8</b> tober 29,		
	2017	2016	2017	2016	
Total cost of shares repurchased					
Open market <sup>(1)</sup>	\$366	\$ 206	\$1,147	\$ 483	
Settlement of January 2016 ASR <sup>(2)</sup>		_	_	45	
Total	\$366	\$ 206	\$1,147	\$ 528	
Average price per share					
Open market	\$57.14	\$ 37.67	\$52.35	\$ 33.52	
Settlement of January 2016 ASR <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	\$ —	\$	\$ 28.55	

Average \$57.14 \$ 37.67 \$52.35 \$ 33.03

Number of shares repurchased and retired

Open market <sup>(1)</sup>	6.4	5.5	21.9	14.4
Settlement of January 2016 ASR <sup>(2)</sup>		_		1.6
Total	6.4	5.5	21.9	16.0

As of October 28, 2017, \$17 million, or 0.3 million shares, in trades remained unsettled. As of October 29, 2016, (1)\$11 million, or 0.3 million shares, in trades remained unsettled. The liability for unsettled trades is included in Accrued liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

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See Note 7, Shareholders' Equity, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report (2) on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017, for additional information regarding the January 2016 ASR.

Approximately 3.9 billion shares remained available for additional purchases under the February 2017 share repurchase program as of October 28, 2017. Between the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2018 and November 30, 2017, we repurchased an incremental 4.5 million shares of our common stock at a cost of \$256 million. Repurchased shares are retired and constitute authorized but unissued shares.

#### 11. Segments

Our chief operating decision maker ("CODM") is our Chief Executive Officer. Our business is organized into two segments: Domestic (which is comprised of all operations within the U.S. and its districts and territories) and International (which is comprised of all operations within Canada and Mexico). Our CODM has ultimate responsibility for enterprise decisions. Our CODM determines, in particular, resource allocation for, and monitors performance of, the consolidated enterprise, the Domestic segment and the International segment. The Domestic segment managers and International segment managers have responsibility for operating decisions, allocating resources and assessing performance within their respective segments. Our CODM relies on internal management reporting that analyzes enterprise results to the net earnings level and segment results to the operating income level.

We aggregate our Canada and Mexico businesses into one International operating segment. Our Domestic and International operating segments also represent our reportable segments. The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in Note 1, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017.

Revenue by reportable segment was as follows (\$ in millions):

•	Three N	<b>Months</b>	Nine Mo	nths Ended
	Ended		141110 1410	nuis Ended
	October	r <b>Ø8</b> tober 29,	October	28 ctober 29,
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Domestic	\$8,491	\$ 8,192	\$24,675	\$ 23,910
International	829	753	2,113	2,011
Total revenue	\$9,320	\$ 8,945	\$26,788	\$ 25,921

Operating income by reportable segment and the reconciliation to earnings from continuing operations before income tax expense were as follows (\$ in millions):

	Three	Months	Nine N	Months
	Ended		Ended	
	Octob	e <b>102%</b> 0ber 29,	Octob	e <b>102%</b> 0ber 29,
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Domestic	\$345	\$ 298	\$959	\$ 959
International	5	14	12	14
Total operating income	350	312	971	973
Other income (expense)				
Gain on sale of investments	_			2
Investment income and other	12	8	30	22
Interest expense	(20)	(16)	(57)	(54)
Earnings from continuing operations before income tax expense	\$342	\$ 304	\$944	\$ 943

Assets by reportable segment were as follows (\$ in millions): October 28, January 28, October 29,

	2017	2017	2016
Domestic	\$ 13,140	\$ 12,496	\$ 13,115
International	1,645	1,360	1,427
Total assets	\$ 14,785	\$ 13,856	\$ 14,542

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#### 12. Contingencies

We are involved in a number of legal proceedings. Where appropriate, we have made accruals with respect to these matters, which are reflected in our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. However, there are cases where liability is not probable or the amount cannot be reasonably estimated and, therefore, accruals have not been made. We provide disclosure of matters where we believe it is reasonably possible the impact may be material to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### Securities Actions

In February 2011, a purported class action lawsuit captioned, IBEW Local 98 Pension Fund, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated v. Best Buy Co., Inc., et al., was filed against us and certain of our executive officers in the U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota. This federal court action alleges, among other things, that we and the officers named in the complaint violated Sections 10(b) and 20A of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 under the Exchange Act in connection with press releases and other statements relating to our fiscal 2011 earnings guidance that had been made available to the public. Additionally, in March 2011, a similar purported class action was filed by a single shareholder, Rene LeBlanc, against us and certain of our executive officers in the same court. In July 2011, after consolidation of the IBEW Local 98 Pension Fund and Rene LeBlanc actions, a consolidated complaint captioned, IBEW Local 98 Pension Fund v. Best Buy Co., Inc., et al., was filed and served. We filed a motion to dismiss the consolidated complaint in September 2011, and in March 2012, subsequent to the end of fiscal 2012, the court issued a decision dismissing the action with prejudice. In April 2012, the plaintiffs filed a motion to alter or amend the court's decision on our motion to dismiss. In October 2012, the court granted plaintiff's motion to alter or amend the court's decision on our motion to dismiss in part by vacating such decision and giving plaintiff leave to file an amended complaint, which plaintiff did in October 2012. We filed a motion to dismiss the amended complaint in November 2012 and all responsive pleadings were filed in December 2012. A hearing was held on April 26, 2013. On August 5, 2013, the court issued an order granting our motion to dismiss in part and, contrary to its March 2012 order, denying the motion to dismiss in part, holding that certain of the statements alleged to have been made were not forward-looking statements and therefore were not subject to the "safe-harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act. Plaintiffs moved to certify the purported class. By Order filed August 6, 2014, the court certified a class of persons or entities who acquired Best Buy common stock between 10:00 a.m. EDT on September 14, 2010, and December 13, 2010, and who were damaged by the alleged violations of law. The 8th Circuit Court of Appeals granted our request for interlocutory appeal. On April 12, 2016, the 8th Circuit held the trial court misapplied the law and reversed the class certification order. IBEW petitioned the 8th Circuit for a rehearing en banc, which was denied on June 1, 2016. In October 2016, IBEW advised the trial court it will not seek review by the Supreme Court. On June 23, 2017, the trial court denied plaintiff's request to file a new Motion for Class Certification. On October 30, 2017, plaintiffs filed with the trial court a motion for leave to file a second amended class action complaint which Best Buy opposed in a filing on November 6, 2017. That motion is pending. We continue to believe that the remaining individual plaintiff's allegations are without merit and intend to vigorously defend our company in this matter.

In June 2011, a purported shareholder derivative action captioned, Salvatore M. Talluto, Derivatively and on Behalf of Best Buy Co., Inc. v. Richard M. Schulze, et al., as Defendants and Best Buy Co., Inc. as Nominal Defendant, was filed against both present and former members of our Board of Directors serving during the relevant periods in fiscal 2011 and us as a nominal defendant in the U.S. District Court for the State of Minnesota. The lawsuit alleges that the director defendants breached their fiduciary duty, among other claims, including violation of Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 thereunder, in failing to correct public misrepresentations and material misstatements and/or omissions regarding our fiscal 2011 earnings projections and, for certain directors, selling stock while in possession of material adverse non-public information. Additionally, in July 2011, a similar purported class action was filed by a single shareholder, Daniel Himmel, against us and certain of our executive officers in the same court. In November 2011, the respective lawsuits of Salvatore M. Talluto and Daniel Himmel were consolidated into a new

action captioned, In Re: Best Buy Co., Inc. Shareholder Derivative Litigation, and a stay ordered pending the close of discovery in the consolidated IBEW Local 98 Pension Fund v. Best Buy Co., Inc., et al. case. Additionally, in June 2015, a similar purported class action was filed by a single shareholder, Khuong Tran, derivatively on behalf of Best Buy Co., Inc. against us and certain of our executive officers and directors in the same court. The Khuong Tran lawsuit has also been stayed pending the close of discovery in IBEW.

The plaintiffs in the above securities actions seek damages, including interest, equitable relief and reimbursement of the costs and expenses they incurred in the lawsuits. As stated above, we believe the allegations in the above securities actions are without merit, and we intend to defend these actions vigorously. Based on our assessment of the facts underlying the claims in the above securities actions, their respective procedural litigation history and the degree to which we intend to defend our company in these matters, the amount or range of reasonably possible losses, if any, cannot be estimated.

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#### Other Legal Proceedings

We are involved in various other legal proceedings arising in the normal course of conducting business. For such legal proceedings, we have accrued an amount that reflects the aggregate liability deemed probable and estimable, but this amount is not material to our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows. Because of the preliminary nature of many of these proceedings, the difficulty in ascertaining the applicable facts relating to many of these proceedings, the variable treatment of claims made in many of these proceedings and the difficulty of predicting the settlement value of many of these proceedings, we are not able to estimate an amount or range of any reasonably possible additional losses. However, based upon our historical experience, the resolution of these proceedings is not expected to have a material effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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

Unless the context otherwise requires, the use of the terms "Best Buy," "we," "us" and "our" in the following refers to Best Buy Co., Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries. Any references to our website addresses do not constitute incorporation by reference of the information contained on the websites.

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A") is intended to provide a reader of our financial statements with a narrative from the perspective of our management on our financial condition, results of operations, liquidity and certain other factors that may affect our future results. Unless otherwise noted, transactions and other factors significantly impacting our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity are discussed in order of magnitude. Our MD&A is presented in the following sections:

Overview

**B**usiness Strategy Update

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Liquidity and Capital Resources

Off-Balance-Sheet Arrangements and Contractual Obligations

Significant Accounting Policies and Estimates

New Accounting Pronouncements

Safe Harbor Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act

Our MD&A should be read in conjunction with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017 (including the information presented therein under Risk Factors), as well as our reports on Forms 10-Q and 8-K and other publicly available information. All amounts herein are unaudited.

#### Overview

We are a leading provider of technology products, services and solutions. We offer these products and services to customers who visit our stores, engage with Geek Squad agents or use our websites or mobile applications. We have operations in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. We operate two reportable segments: Domestic and International. The Domestic segment is comprised of all operations within the U.S. and its districts and territories. The International segment is comprised of all operations in Canada and Mexico.

Our fiscal year ends on the Saturday nearest the end of January. Fiscal 2018 will include 53 weeks with the additional week included in the fourth quarter and fiscal 2017 included 52 weeks. Our business, like that of many retailers, is seasonal. A higher proportion of our revenue and earnings is generated in the fourth fiscal quarter, which includes the majority of the holiday shopping season in the U.S., Canada and Mexico ("Holiday").

#### Comparable Sales

Throughout this MD&A, we refer to comparable sales. Our comparable sales calculation compares revenue from stores, websites and call centers operating for at least 14 full months, as well as revenue related to certain other comparable sales channels for a particular period to the corresponding period in the prior year. Relocated stores, as well as remodeled, expanded and downsized stores closed more than 14 days, are excluded from the comparable sales calculation until at least 14 full months after reopening. Acquisitions are included in the comparable sales calculation beginning with the first full quarter following the first anniversary of the date of the acquisition. The calculation of comparable sales excludes the impact of revenue from discontinued operations and the effect of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates (applicable to our International segment only). The method of calculating comparable sales

varies across the retail industry. As a result, our method of calculating comparable sales may not be the same as other retailers' methods.

The Canadian brand consolidation, which included the permanent closure of 66 Future Shop stores, the conversion of 65 Future Shop stores to Best Buy stores and the elimination of the Future Shop website, had a material impact on a year-over-year basis on the remaining Canadian retail stores and the website. As such, from the first quarter of fiscal 2016 through the third quarter of fiscal 2017, all Canadian store and website revenue was removed from the comparable sales base and the International segment no longer had a comparable sales metric. Therefore, Consolidated comparable sales for the first quarter of fiscal 2016 through the third quarter of fiscal 2017 equaled the Domestic segment comparable sales. Beginning in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2017, we resumed reporting International comparable sales and, as such, Consolidated comparable sales are once again equal to the aggregation of Domestic and International comparable sales.

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### Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This MD&A includes financial information prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"), as well as certain adjusted or non-GAAP financial measures such as constant currency, non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP effective tax rate, non-GAAP net earnings from continuing operations, non-GAAP diluted earnings per share ("EPS") from continuing operations and non-GAAP debt to earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, amortization and rent ("EBITDAR") ratio. We believe that non-GAAP financial measures, when reviewed in conjunction with GAAP financial measures, can provide more information to assist investors in evaluating current period performance and in assessing future performance. For these reasons, our internal management reporting also includes non-GAAP measures. Generally, our non-GAAP measures include adjustments for items such as restructuring charges, goodwill impairments and gains or losses on investments. In addition, certain other items may be excluded from non-GAAP financial measures when we believe this provides greater clarity to management and our investors. These non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in addition to, and not superior to or as a substitute for, GAAP financial measures. We strongly encourage investors and shareholders to review our financial statements and publicly-filed reports in their entirety and not to rely on any single financial measure. Non-GAAP measures as presented herein may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.

In our discussions of the operating results of our Consolidated business and our International segment, we sometimes refer to the impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates or the impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations, which are references to the differences between the foreign currency exchange rates we use to convert the International segment's operating results from local currencies into U.S. dollars for reporting purposes. We also use the term "constant currency", which represents results adjusted to exclude foreign currency impacts. We calculate those impacts as the difference between the current period results translated using the current period currency exchange rates and using the comparable prior period currency exchange rates. We believe the disclosure of revenue changes in constant currency provides useful supplementary information to investors in light of significant fluctuations in currency rates and our inability to report comparable store sales for the International segment from the first quarter of fiscal 2016 through the third quarter of fiscal 2017 as a result of the Canadian brand consolidation.

Beginning in the first quarter of fiscal 2018, we no longer exclude non-restructuring property and equipment impairment charges from our non-GAAP financial metrics. When we began to execute our Renew Blue transformation in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, we adopted a change to non-GAAP reporting to exclude non-restructuring property and equipment impairment charges from our non-GAAP results. From that point, through the fourth quarter of fiscal 2017, we believed that reporting non-GAAP results that excluded these charges provided a supplemental view of our ongoing performance that was useful and relevant to our investors. Now that Renew Blue has ended and Best Buy 2020: Building The New Blue has officially launched, we believe it is no longer necessary to adjust for non-restructuring property and equipment impairments in our non-GAAP reporting. We believe that future such impairments will predominantly be immaterial and incurred in the ordinary scope of ongoing operations. Accordingly, commencing in the first quarter of fiscal 2018, we no longer adjust for non-restructuring property and equipment impairments. Impacted prior period non-GAAP financial measures have been recast to conform with this presentation.

Refer to the Non-GAAP Financial Measures section below for the detailed reconciliation of items that impacted the non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP effective tax rate, non-GAAP net earnings from continuing operations and non-GAAP diluted EPS from continuing operations in the presented periods.

Refer to the Other Financial Measures section below for the detailed reconciliation of items that impacted the non-GAAP debt to EBITDAR ratio. Management believes this ratio is an important indicator of our creditworthiness.

Furthermore, we believe that our non-GAAP debt to EBITDAR ratio is important for understanding our financial position and provides meaningful additional information about our ability to service our long-term debt and other fixed obligations and to fund our future growth. We also believe our non-GAAP debt to EBITDAR ratio is relevant because it enables investors to compare our indebtedness to that of retailers who own, rather than lease, their stores. Our decision to own or lease real estate is based on an assessment of our financial liquidity, our capital structure, our desire to own or to lease the location, the owner's desire to own or to lease the location and the alternative that results in the highest return to our shareholders.

# **Business Strategy Update**

In the third quarter of fiscal 2018, our Consolidated revenue increased 4.2% to \$9.3 billion with Consolidated comparable sales growth of 4.4% compared to last year. Diluted earnings per share increased 30.0% to \$0.78 compared to \$0.60 last year.

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These results included the negative impact of two significant factors. First, despite what we previously characterized as moderate expectations for mobile phone launches in the quarter, revenue in the mobile category was materially lower than expected. This was due to the fact that a major new phone did not launch until November, which is the first month of our fourth fiscal quarter. This resulted in significant softness in sales of existing mobile phone models in October as customers delayed their purchases. We estimate the related revenue impact in the quarter was more than \$100 million. Second, we felt the impact of the natural disasters in south Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and Mexico. We estimate the negative impact to our Consolidated comparable sales was 15 to 20 basis points, and that with the related costs, including insurance deductibles, repairs and employee-related pay, our earnings were negatively impacted by approximately \$0.03.

Despite these two factors, the results we reported were within the earnings guidance we shared in August. In our most recent Annual Report, we announced the launch of our growth strategy, Best Buy 2020: Building the New Blue. Our Consolidated revenue growth rate was 3.3% for the nine months ended October 28, 2017, compared to the same period in the prior year. We believe that technology innovation is fueling demand and that our strategy is resonating with our customers. While we are investing in key initiatives and capabilities, in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 we increased diluted earnings per share year-over-year and have returned capital to our shareholders through dividends and continued share repurchases.

Looking ahead to Holiday, our teams across all functions are ready and keen to take care of our customers--online, in our stores or in the customer's home. There are a number of great new products across many categories, including smart home, phones, gaming and tech toys. We believe we have a compelling promotional calendar with strong brand messaging. We are again this year offering free shipping with no minimum purchase. We are also offering a range of new capabilities, including our new in-home advisor program, now available nation-wide, an updated gift center and same-day shipping in 40 cities.

Best Buy 2020: Building the New Blue

We believe there are opportunities in this next chapter to develop deeper and stickier relationships with our customers and to build a strong, vibrant, growing company with significant competitive advantages. We are committed to building a company that can thrive in both today's and tomorrow's environment.

As we discussed at our Investor Day in September 2017, Best Buy 2020 is designed to take advantage of key growth opportunities by expanding what we sell and evolving how we sell.

The work we are doing in the smart home space is a great example of how we are expanding what we sell. We plan to build on our position in the smart home market by continuing to expand our curated assortment, demonstrating new technology solutions in a meaningful way and expanding in the solutions and services part of the market. We believe needs-based demonstrations and experiential merchandising are critical, and we have a unique capability to showcase the products, both online and in-store. In this spirit, as we approach Holiday, all of our stores have enhanced smart home departments. In addition, 700 stores have new Alexa and Google experiences developed in collaboration with Amazon and Google, and 450 stores have a Best Buy Smart Home powered by Vivint home automation and security offering. To complement all of this, we have added an incremental 1,500 dedicated smart home store employees to help our customers identify which smart home solution would work best for them.

As we discussed at our Investor Day, as a natural offshoot of our smart home focus, we are testing opportunities to leverage technology to help the rapidly growing segment of aging seniors stay in their homes as long as possible. We are piloting a service called Assured Living, that uses a non-invasive set of smart home connectors and sensors to help adult children remotely check in on the health and safety of their aging parents. Aging parents also benefit from the increased automation in their home, such as connected door locks and smart lighting. While early in our test program,

we are piloting the opportunity in the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul and in the Denver market.

As it relates to supporting customers, we are also focused on expanding what we sell. We believe that customers' support needs are not limited to a specific product; the need now is to have all of their technology working together to improve and simplify their lives as promised. Total Tech Support is a new Geek Squad offering that provides support for all of a customer's technology, no matter where or when they bought it. This support is available to customers 24/7 via online, in-store and phone, and includes significant discounts if in-home services are needed. In September, we expanded the pilot to just over 200 stores across 10 cities in the U.S.

Meanwhile, we are evolving how we sell to focus not only on selling products but also on solving customers' underlying needs. We see opportunities in our ability to continue to improve the customer experience within and across channels. Almost all of our customers currently use both the store and the online channel, and they have different expectations of what the channels should do for them depending on their mindset. As an example, customers often use the online channel when they are more

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certain about their purchase and the store channel when they are less certain. In our online channel, we have made a great deal of progress and have driven innovation. In the third quarter of fiscal 2018, we reported Domestic online sales of \$1.1 billion, or 12.7% of our total Domestic revenue, with comparable sales of 22.3% compared to last year. We have also significantly improved the in-store experience, as evidenced by increased NPS scores and our revenue growth.

Going forward, we see continued opportunity in examining how customers use the various channels in their shopping journeys and designing and linking experiences across channels. Ultimately, this makes it easier for customers to start their shopping process online and complete it in the store or vice versa. We are using this approach to more effectively address customer needs in areas where we have significant potential for growth, particularly appliances and mobile phones. In appliances, for example, where a significant portion of sales are the result of broken appliances that need to be replaced, we are making it clear to customers searching online which appliances are available real time at their local store for those customers who would like to replace very quickly. In mobile, we are enhancing the online experience to smooth pre-orders and streamline phone choice, allowing customers to do most of the work online before they pick up their phone in-store for activation. We are also improving the in-store experience to make the various carrier pricing options more clear, reducing the time it takes to activate a phone and using text alerts for clarity on the timing of activation.

We are also focused on building our in-home channel. To that end, in September, we expanded our In-Home Advisor program to all major U.S. markets with 300 advisors. These in-home advisors are professional sales consultants with broad product knowledge who have completed an extensive five week training program. They provide free consultations and serve as the single point of contact for customers covering all technology needs across all vendors. We are pleased with the results of the program so far. In fact, we are planning to expand the number of advisors to 375 by early next year based on initial demand.

To deliver on our strategy, we are investing in a range of enablers. We have built a great set of assets over the past several years. We are expanding on these assets by investing in key capabilities and tools. For example, we are making technology investments in enterprise customer relationship management, a services platform and knowledge management tools. We are investing in our supply chain to build for volume, choice, speed and efficiencies that will help us offset the normal volume-based increases in expense. For example, during the third quarter of fiscal 2018, we opened a new distribution center in Compton, California, just in time for the busy holiday season.

As we have begun work on some of these investments, this is resulting in higher capital and operating expenses this year. This is going to be a multi-year journey, which is why we are committed to creating efficiencies to help fund investments and offset ongoing pressures in the business. After reducing cost by \$1.4 billion in the past five years, our current target, established in the second quarter of fiscal 2018, is \$600 million in additional annualized cost reductions and gross profit optimization to be completed by the end of fiscal 2021. During the third quarter of fiscal 2018, we achieved \$50 million towards our new goal, for a total thus far of \$100 million.

In summary, we delivered strong top and bottom line results in the third quarter despite the pressure from the later phone launch and the multiple natural disasters. We believe we have also made significant progress against our Best Buy 2020 strategy to position us well for long-term value creation. Additionally, in the nine months ended October 28, 2017, we returned approximately \$1.5 billion in cash to our shareholders through both dividends and stock repurchases. We plan to spend approximately \$2.0 billion on share repurchases this fiscal year, ahead of our original expectation of \$1.5 billion.

**Results of Operations** 

In order to align our fiscal reporting periods and comply with statutory filing requirements, we consolidate the financial results of our Mexico operations on a one-month lag. Consistent with such consolidation, the financial and non-financial information presented in our MD&A relative to these operations is also presented on a lag. Our policy is to accelerate the recording of events occurring in the lag period that significantly affect our consolidated financial statements. No such events were identified for the periods presented.

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### Consolidated Performance Summary

The following table presents selected consolidated financial data (\$ in millions, except per share amounts):

Thron Ma	onthe Endad	Nina Months Ended			
October 2	28October 29	, October 28	3,October 29,		
2017	2016	2017	2016		
\$9,320	\$ 8,945	\$26,788	\$25,921		
4.2 %	1.4 %	3.3 %	0.1 %		
4.4 %	1.8 %	3.8 %	0.8 %		
\$2,280	\$ 2,203	\$6,455	\$6,410		
24.5 %	24.6 %	24.1 %	24.7 %		
\$1,932	\$ 1,890	\$5,484	\$5,407		
20.7 %	21.1 %	20.5 %	20.9 %		
\$(2)	\$ 1	\$—	\$30		
\$350	\$ 312	\$971	\$973		
3.8 %	3.5 %	3.6 %	3.8 %		
\$238	\$ 192	\$635	\$600		
\$1	\$ 2	\$1	\$21		
\$239	\$ 194	\$636	\$621		
\$0.78	\$ 0.60	\$2.05	\$1.85		
\$0.78	\$ 0.61	\$2.05	\$1.92		
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Due to the Canadian brand consolidation impact on our International segment comparable sales metric,

- (1) Consolidated comparable sales for the three and nine months ended October 29, 2016, equal the Domestic segment comparable sales. Refer to the Overview section within this Item 2. MD&A for more information. Because retailers vary in how they record costs of operating their supply chain between cost of goods sold and SG&A, our gross profit rate and SG&A rate may not be comparable to other retailers' corresponding rates. For
- (2) additional information regarding costs classified in cost of goods sold and SG&A, refer to Note 1, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017.

The components of the 4.2% and 3.3% revenue increase for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017 were as follows:

	Three	;	Nine	
	Mont	hs	Mont	hs
	Ended	l	Ende	d
	Octob	er 28,	Octob	oer 28,
	2017		2017	
Comparable sales impact	4.2	%	3.7	%
Non-comparable sales impact <sup>(1)</sup>	(0.4)	)%	(0.5)	)%
Foreign currency exchange rate fluctuation impact	0.4	%	0.1	%
Total revenue increase	4.2	%	3.3	%

Non-comparable sales reflects the impact of net store opening and closing activity, as well as the impact of revenue (1) streams not included within our comparable sales calculation, such as profit sharing benefits, certain credit card revenue, gift card breakage, commercial sales and sales of merchandise to wholesalers and dealers, as applicable.

The gross profit rate decreased slightly in the third quarter of fiscal 2018 compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2017, driven by our International segment. The gross profit rate decrease in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 was driven by our Domestic segment. For further discussion of each segment's gross profit rate changes, see Segment Performance Summary below.

The SG&A rate decreased in the third quarter of fiscal 2018 compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2017, driven by our Domestic segment. The SG&A rate decrease in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 compared to the first nine months of fiscal 2017 was also driven by our Domestic segment. For further discussion of each segment's SG&A rate changes, see Segment Performance Summary below.

Our operating income rate increased in the third quarter of fiscal 2018 compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2017, driven by lower SG&A rates in our Domestic segment. Our operating income rate decreased in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 compared to the first nine months of fiscal 2017. This decrease in operating income was primarily due to the decrease in our Domestic segment gross profit rate, partially offset by a decrease in our Domestic segment SG&A rate and a decrease in our

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Domestic segment restructuring charges. For further discussion of each segment's operating income, see Segment Performance Summary below.

### Income Tax Expense

Income tax expense decreased to \$104 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2018 compared to \$112 million in the prior-year period, primarily as a result of the recognition of excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation and the resolution of certain tax matters in the current year, partially offset by an increase in pre-tax earnings. Our effective income tax rate in the third quarter of fiscal 2018 was 30.4% compared to a rate of 36.7% in the third quarter of fiscal 2017. The decrease in the effective income tax rate was primarily due to the recognition of excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation and the resolution of certain tax matters in the current year period.

Income tax expense decreased to \$309 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 compared to \$343 million in the prior-year period, primarily as a result of the recognition of excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation and the resolution of certain tax matters in the current year period. Our effective income tax rate for the first nine months of fiscal 2018 was 32.7%, compared to a rate of 36.4% in the first nine months of fiscal 2017. The decrease in the effective income tax rate was primarily due to the recognition of excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation and the resolution of certain tax matters in the current year period.

Our tax provision for interim periods is determined using an estimate of our annual effective tax rate, adjusted for discrete items, if any, that are taken into account in the relevant period. We update our estimate of the annual effective tax rate each quarter, and we make a cumulative adjustment if our estimated tax rate changes. Our quarterly tax provision and our quarterly estimate of our annual effective tax rate are subject to variation due to several factors, including our ability to accurately forecast our pre-tax and taxable income and loss by jurisdiction, tax audit developments, recognition of excess tax benefits or deficiencies related to stock-based compensation, changes in laws or regulations and expenses or losses for which tax benefits are not recognized. Our effective tax rate can be more or less volatile based on the amount of pre-tax income. For example, the impact of discrete items and non-deductible losses on our effective tax rate is greater when our pre-tax income is lower.

In addition, our consolidated effective tax rate is impacted by the statutory income tax rates applicable to each of the jurisdictions in which we operate. As our foreign earnings are generally taxed at lower statutory rates than the 35% U.S. statutory rate, changes in the proportion of our consolidated taxable earnings originating in foreign jurisdictions impact our consolidated effective rate. Our foreign earnings have been indefinitely reinvested outside the U.S. and are not subject to current U.S. income tax.

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**Segment Performance Summary** 

#### **Domestic**

The following table presents selected financial data for the Domestic segment (\$ in millions):

	Three	Mo	nths End	ed	Nine Months Ended			
	Octob	er 2	&October	29,	October	28	October 29,	
	2017		2016		2017		2016	
Revenue	\$8,491	1	\$8,192		\$24,675	5	\$23,910	
Revenue % growth	3.6	%	1.3	%	3.2	%	0.2	%
Comparable sales % gain <sup>(1)</sup>	4.5	%	1.8	%	3.8	%	0.8	%
Gross profit	\$2,096	6	\$ 2,020		\$5,952		\$5,901	
Gross profit as a % of revenue	24.7	%	24.7	%	24.1	%	24.7	%
SG&A	\$1,75	1	\$ 1,720		\$4,993		\$4,915	
SG&A as a % of revenue	20.6	%	21.0	%	20.2	%	20.6	%
Restructuring charges	\$		\$2		\$		\$27	
Operating income	\$345		\$ 298		\$959		\$959	
Operating income as a % of revenue	4.1	%	3.6	%	3.9	%	4.0	%
Selected Online Revenue Data								
Total online revenue	\$1,077	7	\$881		\$3,191		\$2,548	
Online revenue as a % of total segment revenue	12.7	%	10.8	%	12.9	%	10.7	%
Comparable online sales % gain <sup>(1)</sup>	22.3	%	24.1	%	25.3	%	23.9	%
(1) Comparable online sales is included in the con	mparab	le s	ales calcı	ılati	on.			

The components of the 3.6% and 3.2% revenue increase for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017 were as follows:

	Three		Nine		
	Montl	ns	Months		
	Ended	1	Ended		
	Octob	er 28,	October 28,		
	2017		2017		
Comparable sales impact	4.3	%	3.6	%	
Non-comparable sales impact <sup>(1)</sup>	(0.7)	)%	(0.4)	)%	
Total revenue increase	3.6	%	3.2	%	

Non-comparable sales reflects the impact of net store opening and closing activity, as well as the impact of revenue (1) streams not included within our comparable sales calculation, such as profit sharing benefits, certain credit card revenue, gift card breakage, commercial sales and sales of merchandise to wholesalers and dealers, as applicable.

The increase in the third quarter of fiscal 2018 Domestic segment revenue was driven by comparable sales growth of 4.5%, partially offset by the loss of revenue from Best Buy and Best Buy Mobile store closures. Domestic segment online revenue of \$1.1 billion increased 22.3% on a comparable basis, primarily due to higher conversion rates and higher average order values.

The increase in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 Domestic segment revenue was driven by comparable sales growth of 3.8%, partially offset by the loss of revenue from Best Buy and Best Buy Mobile store closures. Domestic segment online revenue of \$3.2 billion increased 25.3% on a comparable basis, primarily due to higher conversion rates and increased traffic.

The following table reconciles the number of Domestic stores open at the beginning and end of the third quarters of fiscal 2018 and 2017:

	2018					2017				
	Total					Total				
	Stores	S			Total	Stores	3			Total
	at	Chamas	Chama	_	Stores	at	Ctomos	Ctono		Stores
	Begin	Stores Ining Opened	Store		at End	Begin	Stores ning Opened	Store	S	at End
	of	Opened	Close	a	of Third	of	Opened	Close	ea	of Third
	Third				Quarter	Third				Quarter
	Quart	er				Quart	er			
Best Buy	1,024		(16	)	1,008	1,035		(9	)	1,026
Best Buy Mobile	292		(5	)	287	334		(3	)	331
Pacific Sales	28				28	28	_	_		28
Total Domestic segment stores	1,344	_	(21	)	1,323	1,397		(12	)	1,385

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We continuously monitor store performance. As we approach the expiration date of our store leases, we evaluate various options for each location, including whether a store should remain open.

The following table presents the Domestic segment revenue mix percentages and comparable sales percentage changes by revenue category in the third quarters of fiscal 2018 and 2017:

	Rev	en	ue Mix		Comparable Sales			
	Three Months				Three Months Ended			
	Ended							
	Octobe October 29,				, October 20ctober 29,			
	201	7	2016		2017		2016	
Consumer Electronics	31	%	31	%	3.5	%	4.9	%
Computing and Mobile Phones	48	%	49	%	3.5	%	1.6	%
Entertainment	6	%	6	%	4.1	%	(9.4	)%
Appliances	10	%	9	%	13.5	%	3.0	%
Services	5	%	5	%	3.2	%	(1.8	)%
Other		%		%	n/a		n/a	
Total	100	%	100	%	4.5	%	1.8	%

The following is a description of the notable comparable sales changes in our Domestic segment by revenue category:

Consumer Electronics: Comparable sales gain was driven primarily by smart home, home theater and portable audio, partially offset by declines in digital imaging and health & fitness products.

Computing and Mobile Phones: Comparable sales gain was driven primarily by computing, wearables and mobile phones.

Entertainment: Comparable sales gain was driven primarily by gaming hardware and drones.

Appliances: Comparable sales gain was driven primarily by large and small appliances.

Services: Comparable sales gain was driven primarily by continued growth in our warranty business and higher installation and delivery services.

The third quarter of fiscal 2018 gross profit rate of our Domestic segment was flat. Improved margin rates were offset by the \$25 million periodic profit share revenue related to our service plan portfolio earned in the third quarter of fiscal 2017. The profit-share revenue included in our non-comparable sales relates to our extended warranty protection plans that are managed by a third party underwriter. We may be eligible to receive profit-sharing payments, depending on the performance of the portfolio. When performance of the portfolio is strong and the claims cost to the third party underwriter declines, we are entitled to share in the excess premiums.

The gross profit rate of our Domestic segment decreased in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 due to the \$183 million in non-recurring cathode ray tube ("CRT") settlement proceeds recorded in the first quarter of fiscal 2017, which was partially offset by improved margin rates across multiple categories.

The third quarter of fiscal 2018 SG&A rate of our Domestic segment decreased primarily due to sales leverage, noting that expenses increased due to increases in growth investments, higher advertising expenses and higher variable costs due to increased revenue.

The SG&A rate of our Domestic segment decreased in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 primarily due to leverage on our increased revenue and the \$22 million in non-recurring CRT settlement legal fees incurred in the first quarter of fiscal 2017.

Our Domestic segment restructuring charges in the first nine months of fiscal 2017 related to our Renew Blue Phase 2, which had no activity in the same period of fiscal 2018. Refer to Note 5, Restructuring Charges, in the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

Our third quarter of fiscal 2018 Domestic segment operating income rate increased due to a lower SG&A rate.

Our Domestic segment operating income rate slightly decreased in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 due to the net \$161 million non-recurring CRT settlement recorded in the first quarter of fiscal 2017, partially offset by lower restructuring charges, improved gross margin rates across multiple categories and lower SG&A rates.

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#### International

The following table presents selected financial data for the International segment (\$ in millions):

I nree Months			Nine Months Ended					
Ended	Ended				Time Months Ended			
October	<b>28</b> ;tober	29,	Octobe	er 2	&October	: 29,		
2017	2016		2017		2016			
\$829	\$ 753		\$2,113	}	\$2,011			
10.1 %	3.3	%	5.1	%	(1.8	)%		
3.8 %	n/a		4.2	%	n/a			
\$184	\$ 183		\$503		\$ 509			
22.2 %	24.3	%	23.8	%	25.3	%		
\$181	\$ 170		\$491		\$492			
21.8 %	22.6	%	23.2	%	24.5	%		
\$(2)	\$ (1	)	<b>\$</b> —		\$3			
\$5	\$ 14		\$12		\$ 14			
0.6 %	1.9	%	0.6	%	0.7	%		
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Due to the Canadian brand consolidation impact on our International segment comparable sales metric, we did not (1) report an International segment comparable sales metric for the three or nine months ended October 29, 2016.

Refer to the Overview section within this Item 2. MD&A for more information.

The components of the 10.1% and 5.1% revenue increase for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017 were as follows:

	Three		Nine		
	Month	s	Months		
	Ended		Ended		
	Octobe	er 28,	Octob	er 28,	
	2017		2017		
Comparable sales impact	3.7	%	4.0	%	
Non-comparable sales impact <sup>(1)</sup>	1.1	%	0.3	%	
Foreign currency exchange rate fluctuation impact	5.3	%	0.8	%	
Total revenue increase	10.1	%	5.1	%	

Non-comparable sales reflects the impact of net store opening and closing activity, including the Canadian brand consolidation activity, as well as the impact of revenue streams not included within our comparable sales calculation, such as profit sharing benefits, certain credit card revenue, gift card breakage, commercial sales and sales of merchandise to wholesalers and dealers.

The increase in the third quarter of fiscal 2018 International segment revenue was driven by the positive impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations primarily related to Canada and comparable sales growth of 3.8% due to growth in both Canada and Mexico.

The increase in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 International segment revenue was driven by comparable sales growth of 4.2% due to growth in both Canada and Mexico and the positive impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations related to Canada, which was partially offset by a \$13 million decrease in our periodic profit share in Canada. The profit-share revenue included in our non-comparable sales relates to our extended warranty protection plans that are managed by a third party underwriter. The arrangements for our Canadian profit-share are similar to the terms described in the Domestic segment section above.

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The following table reconciles the number of International stores open at the beginning and end of the third quarters of fiscal 2018 and 2017:

	2018	8				2017		
	Tota	Total				Total		
	Stor	es			Total	Stores		Total
	at Beg of Thir	Stores inning Opened	Stor		Stores at End of Third Quarter		Stores Closed	Stores at End of Third Quarter
	Qua	rter				Quarter		
Canada								
Best Buy	134	_	—		134	135 —		135
Best Buy Mobile	53	_	(1	)	52	54 —	(1)	53
Mexico								
Best Buy	22	1	—		23	18 —		18
Best Buy Express	5	_	_		5	6 —	(1)	5
Total International segment stores	214	1	(1	)	214	213 —	(2)	211

The following table presents the International segment's revenue mix percentages and comparable sales percentage changes by revenue category in the third quarters of fiscal 2018 and 2017:

	Rev	en	ue Mix		Comparable Sales			
	Thr	ee i	Months		Three Months Ended			
	Finded							
	Octobe <b>28</b> ober 29, 0				Octob	er	28,	
	201	7	2016		2017		October 29, 2016(1)	
Consumer Electronics	27	%	28	%	4.5	%	n/a	
Computing and Mobile Phones	52	%	54	%	0.6	%	n/a	
Entertainment	6	%	6	%	7.8	%	n/a	
Appliances	8	%	5	%	49.0	%	n/a	
Services	5	%	6	%	(15.1)	)%	n/a	
Other	2	%	1	%	n/a		n/a	
Total	100	%	100	%	3.8	%	n/a	

Due to the Canadian brand consolidation impact on our International segment comparable sales metric, we did not (1) report an International segment comparable sales metric for the three months ended October 29, 2016. Refer to the Overview section within this Item 2. MD&A for more information.

The following is a description of the notable comparable sales changes in our International segment by revenue category:

Consumer Electronics: Comparable sales gain was driven primarily by smart home and portable audio, partially offset by declines in digital imaging.

Computing and Mobile Phones: Comparable sales gain was driven primarily by computing and wearables, partially offset by declines in tablets.

Entertainment: Comparable sales gain was driven primarily by gaming hardware and drones.

Appliances: Comparable sales gain was driven primarily by large and small appliances.

Services: Comparable sales decline was driven primarily by technical support, partially offset by gains in installation.

The third quarter of fiscal 2018 gross profit rate of our International segment decreased due to lower sales in the higher-margin services category in Canada primarily driven by the launch of Canada's Total Tech Support offer, a long-term recurring revenue model.

The gross profit rate of our International segment decreased in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 primarily due to a \$13 million decrease in our periodic profit share revenue in Canada as described above and lower sales in the higher-margin services category primarily driven by the launch of Canada's Total Tech Support offer.

The third quarter of fiscal 2018 SG&A rate of our International segment decreased primarily due to leverage on our increased revenue.

Our International segment SG&A rate decrease in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 was driven primarily by lower payroll and benefits and administrative costs.

Our third quarter of fiscal 2018 International segment operating income rate decreased due to a lower gross profit rate driven by lower sales in Canada in the higher-margin services category, partially offset by a lower SG&A rate due to leverage on our increased revenue.

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Our International segment operating income rate decreased in the first nine months of fiscal 2018 due to a lower gross profit rate, partially offset by a lower SG&A rate.

### Consolidated Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The following table reconciles consolidated operating income, effective tax rate, net earnings and diluted earnings per share ("EPS") from continuing operations for the periods presented (GAAP financial measures) to non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP effective tax rate, non-GAAP net earnings and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share from continuing operations for the periods presented (\$ in millions, except per share amounts):

from continuing operations for the periods presented (\$\psi\$ in minions, except \$p\$	Three M		Nine Months			
	Ended	ionins	Ended			
		October		October		
	October	October 29,	October	October 29,		
	2017	29, 2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2017	29, 2016 <sup>(1)</sup>		
Operating income	\$350	\$312	\$971	\$973		
Net CRT/LCD settlements <sup>(2)</sup>	\$330	Φ312	Ψ9/1	(161)		
	_	_	_	` ,		
Other Canadian brand consolidation charges - SG&A <sup>(3)</sup>	(2)	1	_	1		
Restructuring charges <sup>(4)</sup>	(2)	1	<u></u>	30		
Non-GAAP operating income	\$348	\$313	\$971	\$843		
Income tax expense	\$104	\$112	\$309	\$343		
Effective tax rate	30.4 %	36.7 %				
Income tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments <sup>(5)</sup>	_	_	2	(49)		
Non-GAAP income tax expense	\$104	\$112	\$311	\$294		
Non-GAAP effective tax rate	•	36.6 %				
				7.5		
Net earnings from continuing operations	\$238	\$192	\$635	\$600		
Net CRT/LCD settlements <sup>(2)</sup>			<u>.</u>	(161)		
Other Canadian brand consolidation charges - SG&A <sup>(3)</sup>	_	_	_	1		
Restructuring charges <sup>(4)</sup>	(2)	1	_	30		
(Gain) loss on investments, net <sup>(6)</sup>	1	_	6	(2)		
Income tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments <sup>(5)</sup>			(2)	49		
Non-GAAP net earnings from continuing operations	\$237	\$193	\$639	\$517		
Diluted EPS from continuing operations	\$0.78	\$0.60	\$2.05	\$1.85		
Per share impact of net CRT/LCD settlements <sup>(2)</sup>	_	_	_	(0.50)		
Per share impact of other Canadian brand consolidation charges - SG&A <sup>(3)</sup>	_	_		0.01		
Per share impact of restructuring charges <sup>(4)</sup>	_	_		0.09		
Per share impact of (gain) loss on investments, net (6)	_	_	0.02	(0.01)		
Per share income tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments <sup>(5)</sup>	_	_	(0.01)	0.16		
Non-GAAP diluted EPS from continuing operations	\$0.78	\$0.60	\$2.06	\$1.60		
			1			

Beginning in the first quarter of fiscal 2018, we no longer exclude non-restructuring property and equipment (1) impairment charges from our non-GAAP financial measures. To ensure our financial results are comparable, we have recast the prior period balance to conform to this presentation. Refer to the Overview section within this MD&A for more information.

(2) Represents CRT and LCD litigation settlements reached, net of related legal fees and costs. Settlements related to products purchased and sold in prior fiscal years. For the nine months ended October 29, 2016, the entire balance related to the United States. Refer to Note 12, Contingencies and Commitments, within the Notes to Consolidated

- Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017, for further information.
- Represents charges related to the Canadian brand consolidation initiated in the first quarter of fiscal 2016,
- (3) primarily due to retention bonuses and other store-related costs that were a direct result of the consolidation but did not qualify as restructuring charges.
  - Refer to Note 5, Restructuring Charges, in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information regarding the nature of these charges. For the three months ended October 28, 2017, the
- (4) entire balance related to Canada. For the three months ended October 29, 2016, a charge of \$2 million related to the United States and a benefit of \$1 million related to Canada. For the nine months ended October 29, 2016, \$27 million related to the United States and \$3 million related to Canada.
- Income tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments is the summation of the calculated income tax charge related to each non-GAAP non-income tax adjustment. The non-GAAP adjustments relate primarily to adjustments in the United (5) States and Company and C
- (5) States and Canada. As such, the income tax charge is calculated using the statutory tax rates of 38.0% for the United States and 26.6% for Canada, applied to the non-GAAP adjustments of each country.

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(6) Represents Gain on sale of investments and investment impairments included in Investment income and other within the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Earnings.

Non-GAAP operating income was 3.7% and 3.5% of revenue for the three months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, respectively. This increase was driven by a lower non-GAAP SG&A rate driven by sales leverage partially offset by a slightly lower gross profit rate.

Non-GAAP operating income was 3.6% and 3.3% of revenue for the nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, respectively. This increase was driven by an increase in our non-GAAP gross profit rate driven by improved merchandise margin rates and a lower non-GAAP SG&A rate driven by leverage on our increased revenue.

The third quarter of fiscal 2018 non-GAAP effective tax rate decreased from the prior year period primarily due to the recognition of excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation and the resolution of certain tax matters in the current year period.

The non-GAAP effective tax rate for the first nine months of fiscal 2018 decreased from the prior year period primarily due to the recognition of excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation and the resolution of certain tax matters in the current year period.

For the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, the increase in non-GAAP operating income and the decrease in the non-GAAP effective tax rate drove the increase in both non-GAAP net earnings from continuing operations and non-GAAP diluted EPS from continuing operations. Non-GAAP diluted EPS from continuing operations also increased due to lower diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding driven by our share repurchases. Refer to the Share Repurchases and Dividends section below for additional details.

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

### Summary

We closely manage our liquidity and capital resources. Our liquidity requirements depend on key variables, including the level of investment needed to support our business strategies, the performance of our business, capital expenditures, credit facilities and short-term borrowing arrangements and working capital management. Capital expenditures and share repurchases

are components of our cash flow and capital management strategy which, to a large extent, we can adjust in response to economic and other changes in our business environment. We have a disciplined approach to capital allocation, which focuses on investing in key priorities that support our Best Buy 2020: Building the New Blue strategies.

The following table summarizes our cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments balances at October 28, 2017, January 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (\$ in millions):

	October 28,	January 28,	October 29,
	2017	2017	2016
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,103	\$ 2,240	\$ 1,341
Short-term investments	2,237	1,681	1,777
Total cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$ 3,340	\$ 3,921	\$ 3,118

Existing cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments as well as cash generated from operations were sufficient to fund share repurchases, capital expenditures and dividends during the first nine months of fiscal 2018 without the need to utilize our credit facilities or other debt arrangements.

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#### Cash Flows

The following table summarizes our cash flows from total operations for the first nine months of fiscal 2018 and 2017 (\$ in millions):

Nine Months Ended October 280ctober 2017  $2016^{(1)}$ Total cash provided by (used in): Operating activities \$1,407 \$1,203 Investing activities (1,016)(848)Financing activities (1.335)(1.199)Effect of exchange rate changes on cash 15 13 Decrease in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash \$(1,133) \$(627)

Represents cash flows as of October 29, 2016, recast to present our retrospective adoption of accounting guidance (1) related to the presentation of the cash flow statement. Refer to Note 1, Basis of Presentation, of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

### Operating activities

The decrease in cash provided by operating activities was primarily due to changes in working capital associated with the timing of inventory receipts and payments as well as the timing of advertising payments. During fiscal 2017, we generally purchased inventory later in the Holiday season than in the prior year causing more payments to occur during the first quarter of fiscal 2018. This was partially offset by changes in receivables driven by higher revenues at the end of fiscal 2017 than the prior year and the subsequent timing of collections during fiscal 2018 compared with fiscal 2017. Timing of income tax payments also contributed to an increase to inflows in fiscal 2018.

### Investing activities

The increase in cash used in investing activities was primarily due to purchases of short-term investments and cash received in fiscal 2017 for the sale of a retail property in Shanghai, China related to the Five Star disposition. Refer to Note 2, Discontinued Operations, in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information regarding the nature of the sale.

### Financing activities

The increase in cash used in financing activities was due to increased share repurchases, which was due to an increase in our share price and number of shares repurchased, and an increase in our regular quarterly dividend rate. On March 1, 2017, we announced our intent to increase our share repurchases to \$3.0 billion over the next two years compared to the \$1.0 billion over two years that had been announced in February 2016. We also increased our regular quarterly dividend from \$0.28 per share to \$0.34 per share. This was substantially offset by repayment of our 2016 Notes and payment of a special dividend in fiscal 2017 and proceeds from option exercises in fiscal 2018 driven by the increased share price.

### Sources of Liquidity

Funds generated by operating activities, available cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, our credit facilities and other debt arrangements are our most significant sources of liquidity. We believe our sources of liquidity will be sufficient to fund operations and anticipated capital expenditures, strategic initiatives, share repurchases and dividends. However, in the event our liquidity is insufficient, we may be required to limit our spending. There can be no assurance that we will continue to generate cash flows at or above current levels or that we will be able to maintain

our ability to borrow under our existing credit facilities or obtain additional financing, if necessary, on favorable terms.

We have a \$1.25 billion five-year senior unsecured revolving credit facility (the "Five-Year Facility Agreement") with a syndicate of banks that expires in June 2021. At October 28, 2017, we had no borrowings outstanding under the Five-Year Facility Agreement. Refer to Note 5, Debt, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017, for further information on our Five-Year Facility Agreement.

Our ability to access our revolving credit facility under the Five-Year Facility Agreement is subject to our compliance with the terms and conditions of the facility, including financial covenants. The financial covenants require us to maintain certain financial ratios. At October 28, 2017, we were in compliance with all such financial covenants. If an event of default were to occur with respect to any of our other debt, it would likely constitute an event of default under our facilities as well.

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Our credit ratings and outlooks at November 28, 2017, are summarized below. In fiscal 2018, Standard & Poor's Rating Services affirmed its long-term credit rating of BBB- and changed its outlook from Stable to Positive; Moody's Investors Service, Inc. affirmed its long-term credit rating of Baa1 with a Stable outlook; and Fitch Ratings Limited affirmed its long-term credit rating of BBB- and changed its outlook from Stable to Positive .

Rating Agency Rating Outlook Standard & Poor's BBB- Positive Moody's Baal Stable Fitch BBB- Positive

Credit rating agencies review their ratings periodically, and, therefore, the credit rating assigned to us by each agency may be subject to revision at any time. Accordingly, we are not able to predict whether our current credit ratings will remain as disclosed above. Factors that can affect our credit ratings include changes in our operating performance, the economic environment, conditions in the retail and consumer electronics industries, our financial position and changes in our business strategy. If further changes in our credit ratings were to occur, they could impact, among other things, interest costs for certain of our credit facilities, our future borrowing costs, access to capital markets, vendor financing terms and future store leasing costs.

#### Restricted Cash

Our liquidity is also affected by restricted cash balances that are pledged as collateral or restricted to use for general liability insurance and workers' compensation insurance. Restricted cash and cash equivalents related to our continuing operations, which are included in Other current assets, remained consistent at \$197 million, \$193 million, and \$193 million at October 28, 2017, January 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, respectively.

### Debt and Capital

As of October 28, 2017, we have \$500 million principal amount of notes due August 1, 2018 (the "2018 Notes") and \$650 million principal amount of notes due March 15, 2021 (the "2021 Notes"). Refer to Note 5, Debt, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017, for further information about our 2018 Notes and 2021 Notes. As we approach the due date for the 2018 Notes in the second quarter of fiscal 2019, we will continue to evaluate whether to fund the repayment through existing cash resources or issuance of new debt.

# Share Repurchases

We repurchase our common stock and pay dividends pursuant to programs approved by our Board of Directors ("Board"). Our long-term capital allocation strategy is to first fund operations and investments in growth and then return excess cash over time to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases while maintaining investment grade credit metrics.

On March 1, 2017, we announced our intent to repurchase \$3.0 billion of shares over the next two years. In order to execute this plan, our Board approved a new \$5.0 billion share repurchase program in February 2017. This share repurchase program supersedes the previous \$5.0 billion authorization dated June 2011. There is no expiration date governing the period over which we can repurchase shares under the February 2017 share repurchase program. We plan to spend approximately \$2.0 billion on share repurchases in fiscal 2018, versus our original expectation of \$1.5 billion. Approximately \$3.9 billion remained available for additional purchases under the February 2017 share repurchase program as of October 28, 2017. Between the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2018 and November 30, 2017, we repurchased an incremental 4.5 million shares of our common stock at a cost of \$256 million. Repurchased shares are retired and constitute authorized but unissued shares.

The following table presents our share repurchase history for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (in millions except per share amounts):

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	Ended		Ended	
	Octobe	r <b>Q8</b> ţober 29,	October	October
	2017	2016	2017	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>
Total cost of shares repurchased	\$366	\$ 206	\$1,147	\$528
Average price per share	\$57.14	\$ 37.67	\$52.35	\$33.03
Number of shares repurchased and retired	6.4	5.5	21.9	16.0

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Includes the settlement of an accelerated share repurchase contract. Refer to Note 7, Shareholders' Equity, in the (1)Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017, for further information on this contract.

The cost of shares repurchased in the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, increased compared to the same periods in the prior year largely due to an increase in our share price, but also included an increase in the number of shares repurchased. The increases reflect our announced intent to increase our share repurchases to \$3.0 billion over the next two years compared with the \$1.0 billion over two years that had been announced in February 2016.

#### Dividends

In fiscal 2004, our Board initiated the payment of a regular quarterly cash dividend on common stock. A quarterly cash dividend has been paid in each subsequent quarter. The payment of cash dividends is subject to customary legal restrictions. The following table presents our dividend activity for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016 (in millions, except per share amounts):

	Three Months	Nine Months	
	Ended	Ended	
	Octobe 0280 ber 29,	Octobe 0280 ber 29,	
	2017 2016	2017 2016	
Regular quarterly cash dividends per share	\$0.34 \$ 0.28	\$1.02 \$ 0.84	
Special cash dividends per share (1)		0.45	
Total cash dividends per share	\$0.34 \$ 0.28	\$1.02 \$ 1.29	
Cash dividends declared and paid	\$102 \$ 89	\$310 \$ 417	

Special cash dividends are authorized by our Board and issued upon their discretion. Dividends paid in fiscal 2017 related to the net after-tax proceeds from certain legal settlements and asset disposals.

The increase in cash dividends declared and paid for the three months ended October 28, 2017, compared to the same period in the prior year was the result of a 21% increase in the regular quarterly dividend rate in fiscal 2018 compared to fiscal 2017. This was somewhat offset by fewer shares due to the return of capital to shareholders through share repurchases.

The decline in cash dividends declared and paid for the nine months ended October 28, 2017, compared to the same period in the prior year was the result of the lack of a special dividend in fiscal 2018 and fewer shares due to share repurchases. This was somewhat offset by the increase in the regular quarterly dividend rate.

#### Other Financial Measures

Our current ratio, calculated as current assets divided by current liabilities, was 1.2 at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2018, compared to 1.5 at the end of fiscal 2017 and 1.3 at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2017. The third quarter of fiscal 2018 declined from the end of fiscal 2017 due primarily to the reclassification of our 2018 Notes to current liabilities and a decline in receivables attributed to higher sales at the end of fiscal 2017.

Our debt to net earnings ratio was 1.1 at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2018, compared to 1.1 at the end of fiscal 2017 and 1.3 at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2017. The decrease at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2018 compared to the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2017 was primarily due to an increase in earnings.

Our non-GAAP debt to EBITDAR ratio, which includes capitalized operating lease obligations in its calculation, remained unchanged at 1.6 for all periods presented below.

Our non-GAAP debt to EBITDAR ratio is calculated as follows:

Non-GAAP debt to EBITDAR =  $\frac{\text{Non-GAAP debt}}{\text{Non-GAAP EBITDAR}}$ 

The most directly comparable GAAP financial measure to our non-GAAP debt to EBITDAR ratio is our debt to net earnings ratio, which excludes capitalized operating lease obligations from debt in the numerator of the calculation and does not adjust net earnings in the denominator of the calculation.

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The following table presents a reconciliation of our debt to net earnings ratio and our non-GAAP debt to EBITDAR ratio for continuing operations (\$ in millions):

	October	January	October
	28,	28,	29,
	$2017^{(1)}$	$2017^{(1)}$	$2016^{(1)}$
Debt (including current portion)	\$1,329	\$1,365	\$1,367
Capitalized operating lease obligations (5 times rental expense) <sup>(2)</sup>	3,910	3,872	3,834
Non-GAAP debt	\$5,239	\$5,237	\$5,201
Net earnings from continuing operations	\$1,242	\$1,207	\$ 1,077
Other income (expense) (including interest expense, net)	35	38	51
Income tax expense	575	609	616
Depreciation and amortization expense	663	654	654
Rental expense	782	774	767
Restructuring charges <sup>(3)</sup>	9	39	42
Non-GAAP EBITDAR	\$3,306	\$3,321	\$3,207
Debt to net earnings ratio	1.1	1.1	1.3
Non-GAAP debt to EBITDAR ratio	1.6	1.6	1.6

Debt is reflected as of the balance sheet dates for each of the respective fiscal periods, while net earnings from (1) continuing operations and the other components of non-GAAP EBITDAR represent activity for the 12-months ended as of each of the respective dates.

The multiple of five times annual rent expense in the calculation of our capitalized operating lease obligations is

- (2) the multiple used for the retail sector by one of the nationally recognized credit rating agencies that rate our creditworthiness, and we consider it to be an appropriate multiple for our lease portfolio.

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  - Refer to Note 5, Restructuring Charges, in the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information regarding the nature of these charges. Previously, we also added back non-restructuring property and equipment impairment charges to our non-GAAP EBITDAR. However, beginning in the first quarter
- (3) of fiscal 2018, we no longer exclude non-restructuring property and equipment impairment charges from our non-GAAP financial measures. To ensure our financial results are comparable, we have recast the prior period balances to conform to this presentation. Refer to the Overview section within this Item 2. MD&A for more information.

# Off-Balance-Sheet Arrangements and Contractual Obligations

Our liquidity is not dependent on the use of off-balance-sheet financing arrangements other than in connection with our operating leases and our \$1.25 billion in undrawn capacity on our credit facilities at October 28, 2017, which, if drawn upon, would be included as Short-term debt in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

There has been no material change in our contractual obligations other than in the ordinary course of business since the end of fiscal 2017. See our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017, for additional information regarding our off-balance-sheet arrangements and contractual obligations.

### Significant Accounting Policies and Estimates

We describe our significant accounting policies in Note 1, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017. We discuss our critical accounting estimates in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended

January 28, 2017. In the first quarter of fiscal 2018, we adopted accounting policy changes related to stock-based compensation and inventory valuation, as described in Note 1, Basis of Presentation, of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended April 29, 2017. There have been no other significant changes in our significant accounting policies or critical accounting estimates since the end of fiscal 2017.

# **New Accounting Pronouncements**

For a description of new applicable accounting pronouncements, see Note 1, Basis of Presentation, of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

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Safe Harbor Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act

Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"), provide a "safe harbor" for forward-looking statements to encourage companies to provide prospective information about their companies. With the exception of historical information, the matters discussed in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are forward-looking statements and may be identified by the use of words such as "anticipate," "assume," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "guidance," "intend," "outlook," "plan," "project" and other words and terms of similar meaning. Such statements reflect our current views and estimates with respect to future market conditions, company performance and financial results, business prospects, new strategies, the competitive environment and other events. These statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the potential results discussed in such forward-looking statements. Readers should review Item 1A, Risk Factors, of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017, for a description of important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements made in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Among the factors that could cause actual results and outcomes to differ materially from those contained in such forward-looking statements are the following: macro-economic conditions (including fluctuations in housing prices and jobless rates), financial and commodity market conditions (including but not limited to the credit, equity, currency and energy markets), conditions in the industries and categories in which we operate, changes in consumer preferences or confidence, changes in consumer spending and debt levels, the mix of products and services offered for sale in our physical stores and online, product availability, trade restrictions or changes in the costs of imports, competitive initiatives of competitors (including pricing actions and promotional activities), strategic and business decisions of our vendors (including actions that could impact promotional support, product margin and/or supply), the success of new product launches, the impact of pricing investments and promotional activity, weather, natural or man-made disasters, attacks on our data systems, our ability to prevent or react to a disaster recovery situation, changes in law or regulations, changes in tax rates, changes in taxable income in each jurisdiction, tax audit developments and resolution of other discrete tax matters, changes in our stock price and the impact on excess tax benefits or deficiencies related to stock-based compensation, our ability to manage our property portfolio, the impact of labor markets, our ability to retain qualified employees and management, failure to achieve anticipated expense and cost reductions, disruptions in our supply chain, the costs of procuring goods we sell, failure to achieve anticipated revenue and profitability increases from operational and restructuring changes (including investments in our multi-channel capabilities), inability to secure or maintain favorable vendor terms, failure to accurately predict the duration over which we will incur costs, development of new businesses, failure to complete or achieve anticipated benefits of announced transactions and our ability to protect information relating to our employees and customers. We caution that the foregoing list of important factors is not complete. Any forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and we assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statement that we may make.

### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

As disclosed in our Form 10-K for fiscal 2017, in addition to the risks inherent in our operations, we are exposed to certain market risks.

### Interest Rate Risk

We are exposed to changes in short-term market interest rates and these changes in rates will impact our net interest expense. Our cash and short-term investments generate interest income that will vary based on changes in short-term interest rates. In addition, we have swapped our fixed-rate debt to a floating-rate such that the interest rate expense on this debt will vary with short-term interest rates. Refer to Note 5, Debt, and Note 6, Derivative Instruments, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2017, for further information regarding our interest rate swaps.

As of October 28, 2017, we had \$3.3 billion of cash and short-term investments and \$1.2 billion of debt that has been swapped to floating rate. Therefore, we had net cash and short-term investments of \$2.1 billion generating income, which is exposed to interest rate changes. As of October 28, 2017, a 50 basis point increase in short-term interest rates would lead to an estimated \$11 million reduction in net interest expense, and conversely a 50 basis point decrease in short-term interest rates would lead to an estimated \$11 million increase in net interest expense.

### Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

We have market risk arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates related to our International segment operations. On a limited basis, we utilize foreign exchange forward contracts to manage foreign currency exposure to certain forecast inventory purchases, recognized receivable and payable balances and our investment in our Canadian operations. Our primary

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objective in holding derivatives is to reduce the volatility of net earnings and cash flows, as well as net asset value associated with changes in foreign currency exchange rates. Our foreign currency risk management strategy includes both hedging instruments and derivatives that are not designated as hedging instruments, which generally have terms of up to 12 months. The aggregate notional amount related to our foreign exchange forward contracts outstanding at October 28, 2017, was \$304 million. The net fair value recorded on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at October 28, 2017, related to our foreign exchange forward contracts was zero. The amount recorded in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings from continuing operations related to all contracts settled and outstanding was a gain of \$2 million for the three months ended October 28, 2017, and a loss of \$1 million for the nine months ended October 28, 2017.

The weakness of the U.S. dollar compared to the Canadian dollar and Mexican peso compared to the prior-year period had a positive overall impact on our revenue as these foreign currencies translated into more U.S. dollars. We estimate that foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations had a net favorable impact of \$40 million on our revenue and \$1 million on our net earnings for the three months ended October 28, 2017, and a net favorable impact of \$17 million on our revenue and \$1 million on our net earnings for the nine months ended October 28, 2017.

### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) and Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer), to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. We have established a Disclosure Committee, consisting of certain members of management, to assist in this evaluation. The Disclosure Committee meets on a regular quarterly basis, and otherwise as needed.

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) promulgated under the Exchange Act), at October 28, 2017. Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, at October 28, 2017, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

There was no change in internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter ended October 28, 2017, that has materially affected or is reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting.

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### PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

# Item 1. Legal Proceedings

For a description of our legal proceedings, see Note 12, Contingencies, of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

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

### (c) Stock Repurchases

The following table presents information regarding our repurchases of common stock during the third quarter of fiscal 2018:

Fiscal Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Paid per	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Program <sup>(1)</sup>	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Program <sup>(1)</sup>
July 30, 2017 through August 26, 2017 August 27, 2017 through September 30, 2017	1,891,131 1,831,093	\$ 60.50 \$ 55.16	1,891,131 1,831,093	\$4,143,000,000 \$4,042,000,000
October 1, 2017 through October 28, 2017	2,680,203			\$3,891,000,000
Total	6,402,427	\$ 57.14	6,402,427	

Pursuant to a \$5.0 billion share repurchase program that was authorized by our Board in February 2017. There is no expiration date governing the period over which we can repurchase shares under the February 2017 share repurchase program. For additional information see Note 10, Repurchase of Common Stock, Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

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Item 6. Exhibits

- 3.1 Restated Articles of Incorporation (incorporated herein by reference to the Definitive Proxy Statement filed by Best Buy Co., Inc. on May 12, 2009)
- 3.2 Amended and Restated By-Laws (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by Best Buy Co., Inc. on September 26, 2013)
- 21.1 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 21.2 Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 22.1 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002<sup>(1)</sup>
- 22.2 Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002<sup>(1)</sup>

The following financial information from our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the third quarter of fiscal 2018, filed with the SEC on December 1, 2017, formatted in Extensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (i) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at October 28, 2017, January 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and

101 October 29, 2016, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the three and nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, (iv) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, (v) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity for the nine months ended October 28, 2017, and October 29, 2016, and (vi) the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

The certifications in Exhibit 32.1 and Exhibit 32.2 to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q shall not be deemed "filed" (1) for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to liability of that section and shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing or document.

Pursuant to Item 601(b)(4)(iii) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant has not filed as exhibits to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q certain instruments with respect to long-term debt under which the amount of securities authorized does not exceed 10% of the total assets of the registrant. The registrant hereby agrees to furnish copies of all such instruments to the SEC upon request.

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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.

BEST BUY CO., INC.

(Registrant)

Date: December 1, 2017 By:/s/ HUBERT JOLY

**Hubert Joly** 

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 1, 2017 By:/s/ CORIE BARRY

Corie Barry

Chief Financial Officer

Date: December 1, 2017 By:/s/ MATHEW R. WATSON

Mathew R. Watson

Senior Vice President, Finance – Controller and Chief Accounting Officer