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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 10-Q

**DESCRIPTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934** 

For the Quarterly Period Ended September 30, 2006 OR

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

For the Transition Period from \_\_\_\_\_\_ to\_\_\_\_\_ ELECTRONIC ARTS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 94-2838567

(State or other jurisdiction of<br/>incorporation or organization)(I.R.S. Employer<br/>Identification No.)

209 Redwood Shores Parkway Redwood City, California

94065

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(650) 628-1500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. YES b NO o Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer b Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES o NO b

As of November 3, 2006, there were 308,495,018 shares of the Registrant s Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, outstanding.

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#### PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) ELECTRONIC ARTS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited) (In millions, except par value data)	September 30, 2006		March 31, 2006 (a)	
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,212	\$	1,242
Short-term investments		960		1,030
Marketable equity securities Receivables, net of allowances of \$172 and \$232, respectively		204 267		160 199
Inventories		67		61
Deferred income taxes, net		89		86
Other current assets		210		234
Total current assets		3,009		3,012
Property and equipment, net		448		392
Investments in affiliates		11		11
Goodwill		709		647
Other intangibles, net		231		232
Other assets		103		92
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	4,511	\$	4,386
LIABILITIES, MINORITY INTEREST AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	199	\$	163
Accrued and other current liabilities		634		706
Total current liabilities		833		869
Deferred income taxes, net		13		29
Other liabilities		61		68
Total liabilities		907		966
Commitments and contingencies (See Note 9)				
Minority interest		13		12

Stockholders equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value. 10 shares authorized		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value. 1,000 shares authorized; 308 and 305 shares		
issued and outstanding, respectively	3	3
Paid-in capital	1,249	1,081
Retained earnings	2,182	2,241
Accumulated other comprehensive income	157	83
Total stockholders equity	3,591	3,408
TOTAL LIABILITIES, MINORITY INTEREST AND		
STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	\$ 4,511	\$ 4,386

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

(a) Derived from audited financial statements.

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## ELECTRONIC ARTS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited) (In millions, except per share data)		nths Ended nber 30, 2005	Six Month Septem 2006				
Net revenue Cost of goods sold	\$ 784 339	\$ 675 284	\$ 1,196 506	\$ 1,040 434			
Gross profit	445	391	690	606			
Operating expenses:							
Marketing and sales	108	107	185	182			
General and administrative	72	52	131	103			
Research and development	238	182	454	365			
Amortization of intangibles	7	1	13	2			
Acquired in-process technology	2		2				
Restructuring charges	4		10				
Total operating expenses	431	342	795	652			
Operating income (loss)	14	49	(105)	(46)			
Interest and other income, net	24	13	45	30			
Income (loss) before provision for (benefit from) income							
taxes and minority interest	38	62	(60)	(16)			
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	16	9	(1)	(13)			
Income (loss) before minority interest	22	53	(59)	(3)			
Minority interest		(2)		(4)			
Net income (loss)	\$ 22	\$ 51	\$ (59)	\$ (7)			
Net income (loss) per share:							
Basic	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.17	\$ (0.19)	\$ (0.02)			
Diluted	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.16	\$ (0.19)	\$ (0.02)			
Number of shares used in computation:							
Basic	307	302	306	305			
Diluted	315	314	306	305			
See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial  4	Statements.						

## ELECTRONIC ARTS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited) (In millions)	Six Mont Septem 2006	
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net loss	\$ (59)	\$ (7)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	72	46
Stock-based compensation	70	
Minority interest		4
Realized net losses on investments and sale of property and equipment	1	2
Tax benefit from exercise of stock options		92
Acquired in-process technology	2	
Change in assets and liabilities:	(62)	(20)
Receivables, net	(63)	(20)
Inventories	(5)	(9)
Other assets	14 35	(16) 34
Accounts payable Accrued and other liabilities		
Accrued and other flabilities	(111)	(145)
Net cash used in operating activities	(44)	(19)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Capital expenditures	(86)	(56)
Proceeds from sale of marketable equity securities		4
Proceeds from maturities and sales of short-term investments	680	321
Purchase of short-term investments	(604)	(281)
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(67)	(3)
Other investing activities	2	(1)
Net cash used in investing activities	(75)	(16)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sales of common stock through employee stock plans and other plans	85	60
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	12	
Repayment of note assumed in connection with acquisition	(14)	
Repurchase and retirement of common stock		(709)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	83	(649)
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Effect of foreign exchange on cash and cash equivalents		6		(11)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents Beginning cash and cash equivalents	1.	(30) ,242		(695) (270
Ending cash and cash equivalents Short-term investments	1,	,212 960		575 ,655
Ending cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$ 2.	,172	\$ 2,	230
Supplemental cash flow information: Cash paid during the period for income taxes	\$	34	\$	10
Non-cash investing activities: Change in unrealized gains (losses) on investments, net	\$	50	\$	54
See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. 5				

## ELECTRONIC ARTS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

#### (1) DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

We develop, market, publish and distribute interactive software games that are playable by consumers on home video game consoles (such as the Sony PlayStation® 2, Microsoft Xbox 360<sup>TM</sup> and Xbox®, and Nintendo GameCube<sup>TM</sup>), personal computers, mobile platforms (including cellular handsets and handheld game players such as the PlayStation® Portable ( PSFM ) and the Nintendo DSM) and online, over the Internet and other proprietary online networks. Some of our games are based on content that we license from others (e.g., Madden NFL Football, The Godfather and FIFA Soccer), and some of our games are based on our own wholly-owned intellectual property (e.g., The Sims<sup>TM</sup>, Need for Speed<sup>TM</sup> and BLACK<sup>TM</sup>). Our goal is to publish titles with mass-market appeal, which often means translating and localizing them for sale in non-English speaking countries. In addition, we also attempt to create software game—franchises—that allow us to publish new titles on a recurring basis that are based on the same property. Examples of this franchise approach are the annual iterations of our sports-based products (e.g., Madden NFL Football, NCAA® Football and FIFA Soccer), wholly-owned properties that can be successfully sequeled (e.g., The Sims, Need for Speed and Battlefield) and titles based on long-lived literary and/or movie properties (e.g., Lord of the Rings and Harry Potter).

The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are unaudited and reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring accruals) that, in the opinion of management, are necessary for a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. The preparation of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates. The results of operations for the current interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for the current year or any other period.

These Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006, as filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on June 12, 2006.

#### (2) FISCAL YEAR AND FISCAL QUARTER

Our fiscal year is reported on a 52 or 53-week period that ends on the Saturday nearest March 31. As a result, fiscal 2006 contained 53 weeks with the first quarter containing 14 weeks. Our results of operations for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2007 and 2006 contain the following number of weeks:

Fiscal Years Ended Number of Weeks Fiscal Period End Date

March 31, 2007 52 weeks March 31, 2007 March 31, 2006 53 weeks April 1, 2006

Our results of operations for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 contained the following number of weeks:

Fiscal Period Number of Weeks Fiscal Period End Date
Three months ended September 30, 2006
Six months ended September 30, 2006
Six months ended September 30, 2006
September 30, 2006

Three months ended September 30, 2005

Six months ended September 30, 2005

27 weeks

October 1, 2005

October 1, 2005

For simplicity of presentation, all fiscal periods are treated as ending on a calendar month end.

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#### (3) STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

#### Adoption of SFAS No. 123R

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 123 (revised 2004) (SFAS No. 123R), Share-Based Payment. SFAS No. 123R requires that the cost resulting from all share-based payment transactions be recognized in the financial statements using a fair-value-based method. In March 2005, the SEC released Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) No. 107, Share-Based Payment, which provides the views of the staff regarding the interaction between SFAS No. 123R and certain SEC rules and regulations for public companies. SFAS No. 123R replaces SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, as amended, supersedes Accounting Principles Board No. 25 (APB No. 25), Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and amends SFAS No. 95, Statement of Cash Flows.

We adopted SFAS No. 123R as of April 1, 2006 and have applied the provisions of SAB No. 107 to our adoption of SFAS No. 123R. SFAS No. 123R requires companies to estimate the fair value of share-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option-pricing model. We elected to use the modified prospective transition method of adoption which requires that compensation expense be recognized in the financial statements for all awards granted after the date of adoption as well as for existing awards for which the requisite service has not been rendered as of the date of adoption. Accordingly, prior periods are not restated for the effect of SFAS No. 123R.

Prior to April 1, 2006, we accounted for stock-based awards to employees using the intrinsic value method in accordance with APB No. 25 and adopted the disclosure-only provisions of SFAS No. 123, as amended. Also, as required by SFAS No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure*, we provided pro forma net income (loss) and net income (loss) per common share disclosures for stock-based awards as if the fair-value-based method defined in SFAS No. 123 had been applied.

Valuation and Expense Recognition. Upon adoption of SFAS No. 123R, we began to recognize compensation costs for stock-based payment transactions to employees based on their grant-date fair value over the service period for which such awards are expected to vest. The fair value of restricted stock units is determined based on the number of shares granted and the quoted price of our common stock on the date of grant. The fair value of stock options and stock purchase rights granted pursuant to our employee stock purchase plan is determined using the Black-Scholes valuation model, which was the same model previously used for the pro forma information required under SFAS No. 123. The determination of fair value is affected by our stock price as well as assumptions regarding subjective and complex variables such as expected employee exercise behavior and our expected stock price volatility over the expected term of the award. Generally, our assumptions are based on historical information and judgment is required to determine if historical trends may be indicators of future outcomes. The Black-Scholes valuation model requires us to estimate the following key assumptions:

Risk-free interest rate. The risk-free interest rate is based on U.S. Treasury yields in effect at the time of grant for the expected term of the option.

Expected volatility. We use our historical stock price volatility and consider the implied volatility computed based on the price of short-term options publicly traded on our common stock for our expected volatility assumption.

Expected term. The expected term represents the weighted-average period the stock options are expected to remain outstanding. The expected term is determined based on historical exercise behavior, post-vesting termination patterns, options outstanding and future expected exercise behavior.

Expected dividends.

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The assumptions used in the Black-Scholes valuation model to value our option grants and employee stock purchase plan were as follows:

	Stock Op	otion Grants	Employee Sto	ck Purchase Plan
	Three		Three	
	Months	Six Months	Months	Six Months
	Ended	Ended	Ended	Ended
	September	September 30,	September	September 30,
	30, 2006	2006	30, 2006	2006
Risk-free interest rate	4.6%	4.7%	4.6%	4.6%
Expected volatility	35%	35%	32%	31%
Expected term	4.2 years	4.2 years	6-12 months	6-12 months
Expected dividends	None	None	None	None

Prior to our adoption of SFAS No. 123R, we valued our stock options based on the multiple-award valuation method and recognized the expense using the accelerated approach over the requisite service period. In conjunction with our adoption of SFAS No. 123R, we changed our method of recognizing our stock-based compensation expense for post-adoption grants to the straight-line approach over the requisite service period; however, we continue to value our stock options based on the multiple-award valuation method.

As required by SFAS No. 123R, employee stock-based compensation expense recognized in the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 was calculated based on awards ultimately expected to vest and has been reduced for estimated forfeitures. In subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates, an adjustment to stock-based compensation expense will be recognized at that time.

The following table summarizes stock-based compensation expense resulting from stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units and our employee stock purchase plan included in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (in millions):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Six Months Ended September 30,		
	20	006	2005	2006	2005	
Cost of goods sold	\$	1	\$	\$ 1	\$	
Marketing and sales		4		9		
General and administrative		9		20		
Research and development		19	1	40	1	
Stock-based compensation expense		33	1	70	1	
Benefit for income taxes		(7)	(1)	(15)	(1)	
Stock-based compensation expense, net of tax	\$	26	\$	\$ 55	\$	

As of September 30, 2006, the total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock options was \$191 million, and restricted stock and restricted stock units was \$74 million and is expected to be recognized over the weighted-average service period of 1.65 years and 2.39 years, respectively.

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The adoption of SFAS No. 123R, using the fair value method, had the following effect on our pre-tax income (loss), net income (loss), and basic and diluted net income (loss) per share as compared to what would have been reported under APB No. 25 using the intrinsic value method, which was the method used prior to our adoption (in millions, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended						Six Months Ended					
		Se	eptem	ber 30, 1	2006			Se	pten	nber 30, 2	2006	
			Int	trinsic					In	trinsic		
		Fair			It	npact	I	Fair			It	npact
	V	alue	V	alue		of	V	alue	7	<b>Value</b>		of
	M	ethod	M	ethod	C	hange	Me	ethod	$\mathbf{N}$	lethod	C	hange
Income (loss) before provision for												
(benefit from) income taxes and												
minority interest	\$	38	\$	65	\$	(27)	\$	(60)	\$	1	\$	(61)
Net income (loss)	\$	22	\$	44	\$	(22)	\$	(59)	\$	(12)	\$	(47)
Net income (loss) per share:												
Basic	\$	0.07	\$	0.14	\$	(0.07)	\$	(0.19)	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.15)
Diluted	\$	0.07	\$	0.14	\$	(0.07)	\$	(0.19)	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.15)

APIC Pool. In November 2005, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position (FSP) Financial Accounting Standard (FAS) No. 123(R)-3, Transition Election Related to Accounting for the Tax Effects of Share-Based Payment Awards. The FASB allows for a practical exception in calculating the additional paid-in capital pool (APIC pool) of excess tax benefits upon adoption that is available to absorb tax deficiencies recognized subsequent to the adoption of SFAS No. 123R. For employee stock-based compensation awards that are outstanding upon adoption of SFAS No. 123R, the alternative transition method provides a simplified method to establish the beginning balance of the APIC pool related to the tax effects of employee stock-based compensation. It also provides a simplified method to determine the subsequent impact on the APIC pool and Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the tax effects of employee stock-based compensation awards. We elected to adopt the alternative transition method provided in FSP FAS No. 123(R)-3 for calculating the tax effects of stock-based compensation pursuant to SFAS No. 123R. Cash Flow Impact. Prior to our adoption of SFAS No. 123R, cash retained as a result of tax deductions relating to stock-based compensation was presented in operating cash flows along with other tax cash flows. SFAS No. 123R requires a classification change in the statement of cash flows. As a result, tax benefits relating to excess stock-based compensation deductions, which had been included in operating cash flow activities, are now presented as financing cash flow activities (total cash flows remain unchanged).

### Summary of Plans and Plan Activity Stock Option Plans

Our 2000 Equity Incentive Plan (the Equity Plan ) allows us to grant options to purchase our common stock, restricted stock, restricted stock units and stock appreciation rights to our employees, officers and directors. Pursuant to the Equity Plan, incentive stock options may be granted to employees and officers and non-qualified options may be granted to employees, officers and directors, at not less than 100 percent of the fair market value on the date of grant. We also have options outstanding that were granted under (1) the Criterion Software Limited Approved Share Option Scheme (the Criterion Plan ), which we assumed in connection with our acquisition of Criterion, and (2) the JAMDAT Mobile Inc. Amended and Restated 2000 Stock Incentive Plan and the JAMDAT Mobile Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (collectively, the JAMDAT Plans ), which we assumed in connection with our acquisition of JAMDAT. Options granted under the Equity Plan generally expire ten years from the date of grant and are generally exercisable as to 24 percent of the shares after 12 months, and then ratably over 38 months. All options granted under the Criterion Plan were exercisable as of March 31, 2005, and expire in January 2012. Certain assumed options granted under the JAMDAT Plans have acceleration rights upon the occurrence of various triggering events. Otherwise, the terms of the JAMDAT Plans are similar to our Equity Plan.

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The following table summarizes our stock option activity for the six months ended September 30, 2006:

				Weighted- Average		
			eighted-	Remaining		gregate trinsic
	Options	Average Exercise		Contractual	Value	
	(in			Term (in		(in
	thousands)	]	Price	years)	mi	llions)
Outstanding at March 31, 2006	40,882	\$	40.02			
Activity for the six months ended						
September 30, 2006:						
Granted	3,718		50.64			
Exercised	(2,532)		27.57			
Forfeited, cancelled or expired	(1,628)		52.24			
Exchange Program (cancelled)	(1,776)		64.92			
Outstanding at September 30, 2006	38,664	\$	40.20	6.8	\$	636

Additional stock option-related information:

				Average		
	Weighted- Remai		Remaining	-	gregate trinsic	
	Options	Average Exercise Price		Contractual	Value (in millions)	
	(in			Term (in		
	thousands)			years)		
Outstanding at September 30, 2006	38,664	\$	40.20	6.8	\$	636
Vested and expected to vest at September 30,						
2006	36,451	\$	39.37	6.7	\$	628
Exercisable at September 30, 2006	22,692	\$	31.17	5.3	\$	568

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A total of approximately 15 million shares were available for grant under our Equity Plan as of September 30, 2006, of which no more than approximately 13 million shares were eligible for grant in the form of restricted stock or restricted stock units.

The aggregate intrinsic value represents the total pre-tax intrinsic value based on our closing stock price as of September 30, 2006 which would have been received by the option holders had all option holders exercised their options as of that date. We issue new common stock from our authorized shares upon the exercise of stock options. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of stock options granted during the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 was \$17.63 and \$17.66, respectively. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of stock options granted during the three and six months ended September 30, 2005 was \$17.29 and \$16.55, respectively. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 was \$31 million and \$58 million, respectively. The total fair value (determined at the grant date) of shares vested during the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 was \$22 million and \$54 million, respectively. The total fair value (determined at the grant date) of shares vested during the three and six months ended September 30, 2005 was \$31 million and \$67 million, respectively.

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The following table summarizes outstanding and exercisable options as of September 30, 2006:

		Options Ou Weighted-	tstanding		Optio	ons Exercisa	able
		Average	Weighted-			Weighted-	
	Number	Remaining	Average		Number	Average	
	of				of		
Range of	Shares	Contractual	Exercise	Potential	Shares	Exercise	Potential
	(in	Term (in			(in		
Exercise Prices	thousands)	years)	Price	Dilution	thousands)	Price	Dilution
\$ 0.53 - \$14.99	3,751	1.95	\$ 11.26	1.2%	3,739	\$ 11.29	1.2%
15.00 - 24.99	4,531	4.41	23.11	1.5%	4,521	23.11	1.5%
25.00 - 34.99	8,665	5.69	30.13	2.8%	8,207	30.09	2.7%
35.00 - 44.99	2,324	7.38	42.26	0.8%	1,362	42.06	0.4%
45.00 - 54.99	13,179	8.71	50.88	4.3%	3,349	49.02	1.1%
55.00 - 65.93	6,214	8.66	60.72	2.0%	1,514	60.90	0.5%
\$ 0.53 - \$65.93	38,664	6.78	\$ 40.20	12.6%	22,692	\$ 31.17	7.4%

Potential dilution is computed by dividing the options in the related range of exercise prices by the shares of common stock issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2006 (308 million shares).

#### **Restricted Stock Units and Restricted Stock**

We grant restricted stock units and restricted stock (collectively referred to as restricted stock rights) under our Equity Plan to employees worldwide. Restricted stock units entitle holders to receive shares of common stock at the end of a specified period of time. Upon vesting, the equivalent number of common shares are typically issued net of tax withholdings. Restricted stock is issued and outstanding upon grant; however, restricted stock award holders are restricted from selling the shares until they vest. Upon vest, we will typically withhold shares to satisfy tax withholding requirements. Restricted stock rights are subject to forfeiture and transfer restrictions. Vesting for restricted stock rights are based on continued employment of the holder. If the vesting conditions are not met, unvested restricted stock rights will be forfeited. Generally, our restricted stock right grants vest according to one of the following vesting schedules:

100 percent after one year;

Three-year vesting with 25 percent cliff vesting at the end of each of the first and second years, and 50 percent cliff vesting at the end of the third year; or

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Four-year vesting with 25 percent cliff vesting at the end of each year.

The following table summarizes our restricted stock right activity for the six months ended September 30, 2006:

	Restricted			
	Stock	We	eighted-	
	Rights Averag		age Grant	
		Da	ate Fair	
	(in thousands)	Value		
Balance as of March 31, 2006	655	\$	52.21	
Activity for the six months ended September 30, 2006:				
Granted	783		51.76	
Exchange Program (granted)	444		54.22	

Vested	(36)	53.42
Forfeited	(45)	52.30
Balance as of September 30, 2006	1,801 \$	52.48

The weighted-average grant date fair value of restricted stock rights is based on the quoted market value of our common stock on the date of grant. The weighted-average fair value of restricted stock rights granted during the three months ended September 30, 2006 was \$52.67. The weighted-average fair value of restricted stock rights granted during the three and six months ended September 30, 2005 was \$59.47 and \$53.49, respectively. The total fair value of restricted stock rights vested during the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 was \$1 million and \$2 million, respectively. There were no restricted stock rights vested during the three and six months ended September 30, 2005.

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At our Annual Meeting of Stockholders, held on July 27, 2006, our stockholders approved amendments to the Equity Plan to (1) increase by 11 million shares the limit on the total number of shares underlying awards of restricted stock and restricted stock units that may be granted under the Equity Plan from 4 million to 15 million shares, and (2) to limit the number of shares subject to options surrendered and cancelled in the Exchange Program that will again become available for issuance under the Equity Plan to 7 million plus the number of shares necessary for the issuance of the restricted stock rights to be granted in connection with the Exchange Program.

#### **Exchange Program**

At our Annual Meeting of Stockholders, held on July 27, 2006, our stockholders approved a voluntary program (the Exchange Program ) to permit our eligible employees to exchange certain outstanding stock options that were significantly underwater (that is, the exercise price is greater than the stock price) for a lesser number of shares of restricted stock rights to be granted under the Equity Plan. The Exchange Program commenced on August 16, 2006 and ended on September 15, 2006.

The Exchange Program was open to all of our employees who were employed by us on August 16, 2006 and were still an employee on the date on which the tendered options were cancelled and restricted stock rights were granted except (1) our named executive officers identified in our 2006 Annual Proxy Statement, (2) members of our Board of Directors, and (3) employees who reside in China, Belgium and Denmark due to restrictions arising under the local laws of those countries.

Option grants that had an exercise price per share equal to or greater than the threshold price were considered eligible options. The threshold price was \$61.66, which represented 125 percent of the five-business day average closing price of our common stock prior to August 16, 2006, as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market, which was \$49.324. Due to local tax law restrictions, U.K. approved options granted under the U.K Sub-Plan of the 2000 Plan approved by the U.K. HM Revenue & Customs on May 2, 2001 ( U.K. Approved Options ) were not eligible for exchange. However, options held by eligible employees other than U.K. Approved Options and that otherwise met the requirements for eligibility were eligible for exchange. Excluded from the offer were any option grants for fewer than five shares.

Eligible options exchanged under the program were cancelled following the expiration of the offer and restricted stock rights were granted. For restricted stock rights issued in exchange for unvested options, compensation expense will be recorded based on the grant-date fair value of the options tendered over their remaining original vesting period of those options. Restricted stock rights issued in connection with the Exchange Program vest over a period of up to three years.

The Exchange Program resulted in options to purchase approximately 1,776,000 shares of our common stock being exchanged for approximately 444,000 shares of restricted stock rights. In connection with the Exchange Program, a net total of 1,332,000 shares of common stock were returned to the Equity Plan for future issuance.

#### **Employee Stock Purchase Plan**

Since September 1991, we have offered our employees the ability to participate in an employee stock purchase plan. Pursuant to our current plan, the 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan ( ESPP ), eligible employees may authorize payroll deductions of up to 10 percent of their compensation to purchase shares at 85 percent of the lower of the fair market value of the common stock on the date of commencement of the offering or on the last day of the six-month purchase period.

At our Annual Meeting of Stockholders, held on July 27, 2006, our stockholders approved an amendment to the ESPP to increase the number of shares authorized under the ESPP by 1.5 million. As a result, a total of 6.8 million shares have been authorized to be reserved for issuance under the ESPP.

Information related to stock issuances under this plan is as follows:

	Six	Months En	ded Septe	ember 30,
		2006		2005
Number of shares issued (in thousands)		370		316
Exercise prices for purchase rights	\$	43.10	\$ 42.3	31 to 47.95
Estimated weighted-average fair value of purchase rights	\$	17.30	\$	16.13

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We issued new common stock out of the ESPP s pool of authorized shares. The fair value above was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model assumptions described in this note under the headings Adoption of SFAS No. 123R and Pre-SFAS No. 123R Pro Forma Accounting Disclosures . As of September 30, 2006, we had approximately 3 million shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under the ESPP.

#### Pre-SFAS No. 123R Pro Forma Accounting Disclosures

Prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 123R, we accounted for stock-based awards to employees using the intrinsic value method in accordance with APB No. 25 and adopted the disclosure-only provisions of SFAS No. 123, as amended. Had compensation cost for our stock-based compensation plans been measured based on the estimated fair value at the grant dates in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123, as amended, we estimate that our reported net income (loss) and net income (loss) per share would have been the pro forma amounts indicated below. The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The following weighted-average assumptions were used for grants made under our stock-based compensation plan during the three and six months ended September 30, 2005:

	Three Months	
	Ended	Six Months Ended
	September 30,	September 30,
	2005	2005
Risk-free interest rate	3.9%	3.8%
Expected volatility	34%	34%
Expected term of stock options (in years)	3.5	3.4
Expected term of employee stock purchase plan (in months)	6	6
Expected dividends	None	None

Our calculations were based on a multiple-award valuation method and forfeitures were recognized when they occurred.

(In millions, except per share data)	E Septe	Months nded mber 30,	Six Months Ended September 30, 2005			
Net income (loss): As reported	\$	51	\$	(7)		
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair-value-based method for all awards, net						
of related tax effects		(26)		(51)		
Pro forma	\$	25	\$	(58)		
Net income (loss) per share:						
As reported basic	\$	0.17	\$	(0.02)		
Pro forma basic	\$	0.08	\$	(0.19)		
As reported diluted	\$	0.16	\$	(0.02)		
Pro forma diluted	\$	0.08	\$	(0.19)		

#### (4) BUSINESS COMBINATIONS

#### Mythic Entertainment

On July 24, 2006, we acquired all outstanding shares of Mythic Entertainment, Inc. (Mythic) for an aggregate purchase price of \$76 million, including transaction costs. Based in Fairfax, Virginia, Mythic is a developer and publisher of massively multiplayer online role-playing games.

The results of operations of Mythic and the estimated fair market values of the acquired assets and assumed liabilities have been included in our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements since the date of acquisition.

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Except for acquired in-process technology, which is discussed below, the acquired finite-lived intangible assets are being amortized on a straight-line basis over estimated lives ranging from three to five years. The intangible assets that make up that amount as of the date of the acquisition include:

	Gross				
	Carryin	g	Weighted-Average		
	Amour	Amount			
	(in millio	ns)	(in years)		
Developed and Core Technology	\$	15	4		
Trade Name		6	5		
Subscribers and Other Intangibles		1	5		
Total Finite-Lived Intangibles	\$	22	4		

We recorded \$62 million of goodwill, none of which is tax deductible.

Acquired in-process technology includes the value of products in the development stage that are not considered to have reached technological feasibility or have alternative future use. Accordingly, we expensed \$2 million of acquired in-process technology in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations upon consummation of the acquisition.

The following table summarizes the preliminary allocation of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in connection with our acquisition of Mythic (in millions):

Current assets	\$ 15
Property and equipment, net	1
Other long-term assets	1
Acquired in-process technology	2
Goodwill	62
Finite-lived intangibles	22
Liabilities	(27)
Total consideration	\$ 76

We expect to finalize the preliminary purchase price allocation during the three months ended December 31, 2006. *Digital Illusions C.E.* 

As of September 30, 2006, we owned 74 percent of Digital Illusions C.E. s ( DICE ) Class A common stock. In October 2006, we acquired all of the remaining minority interest in DICE for a total of \$24 million. Since January 27, 2005, we have included the assets, liabilities and results of operations of DICE in our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. We expect further adjustments to our purchase price allocation, including the allocation of goodwill, as a result of our purchase of the remaining minority interest of DICE.

#### (5) GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill information is as follows (in millions):

			Effects	
			of	
As of		Purchase	Foreign	As of
March				September
31,	Goodwill	Accounting Adjustments	Currency	30,
2006	Acquired	(1)	Translation	2006

Goodwill \$ 647 \$ 62 \$ (4) \$ 4 \$ 709

During the three months ended June 30, 2006, we finalized the purchase price allocation including the allocation of goodwill related to our JAMDAT Mobile Inc. ( JAMDAT ) acquisition. As a result, we reduced goodwill and the liability balance assumed from JAMDAT by \$4 million.

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Finite-lived intangibles consisted of the following (in millions):

	As of September 30, 2006					
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Other	Other Intangibles, Net		
Developed and Core Technology Carrier Contracts and Related Trade Name Subscribers and Other Intangibles	\$ 175 85 42 16	\$ (45) (11) (22) (11)	\$ 2	\$ 132 74 20 5		
Total	\$ 318	\$ (89)	\$ 2	\$ 231		
	Gross Carrying Amount	Carrying Accumulated				
Developed and Core Technology Carrier Contracts and Related Trade Name Subscribers and Other Intangibles	\$ 160 85 36 15	\$ (31) (2) (21) (9)	\$ (1)	\$ 129 83 15 5		
Total	\$ 296	\$ (63)	\$ (1)	\$ 232		

Amortization of intangibles for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 was \$14 million (of which \$7 million was recognized as cost of goods sold) and \$26 million (of which \$13 million was recognized as cost of goods sold), respectively. Amortization of intangibles for the three and six months ended September 30, 2005 was \$3 million (of which \$2 million was recognized as cost of goods sold) and \$6 million (of which \$4 million was recognized as cost of goods sold), respectively. Finite-lived intangible assets are amortized using the straight-line method over the lesser of their estimated useful lives or the agreement terms, typically from two to twelve years. As of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006, the weighted-average remaining useful life for finite-lived intangible assets was approximately 6.7 years and 7.2 years, respectively.

As of September 30, 2006, future amortization of finite-lived intangibles that will be recorded in cost of goods sold and operating expenses is estimated as follows (in millions):

Fiscal Year Ending March 31,	
2007 (remaining six months)	\$ 28
2008	49
2009	38
2010	33
2011	29
Thereafter	54
Total	\$ 231

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#### (6) RESTRUCTURING AND ASSET IMPAIRMENT CHARGES

Restructuring and asset impairment information as of September 30, 2006 was as follows (in millions):

									Fisca	1 2004,		
							Fi	scal	200	3 and		
		Fis	scal 2006	Internation	nal		20	006	2	002		
		Pub	olishing R	eorganizat	ion		Restru	acturing	Restru	cturings		
	Work	force	Facilitie	es-related	Ot	her	Wor	kforce	Facilitie	es-related	T	otal
Balances as of March 31,												
2005	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	10	\$	10
Charges to operations		3		8		3		10				24
Charges utilized in cash		(2)				(1)		(7)		(5)		(15)
Adjustments to operations										2		2
Balances as of March 31,												
2006	\$	1	\$	8	\$	2	\$	3	\$	7	\$	21
Charges to operations		6		1		3						10
Charges utilized in cash		(7)				(4)		(2)		(2)		(15)
Balances as of												
September 30, 2006	\$		\$	9	\$	1	\$	1	\$	5	\$	16

All restructuring charges recorded subsequent to December 31, 2002, were recorded in accordance with SFAS No. 146, *Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities*. We generally expense restructuring costs as they are incurred and accrue costs associated with certain facility closures at the time we exit the facility. Adjustments to our restructuring reserves are made in future periods, if necessary, based upon then-current events and circumstances.

#### Fiscal 2006 International Publishing Reorganization

In November 2005, we announced plans to establish an international publishing headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Through our quarter ending September 30, 2006, we relocated certain employees to our new facility in Geneva, closed certain facilities in the U.K., and made other related changes in our international publishing business. Since the inception of the restructuring plan, through September 30, 2006, we have incurred restructuring charges of approximately \$24 million, of which \$9 million was for the closure of certain U.K. facilities, \$9 million for employee-related expenses, and \$6 million in other costs in connection with our international publishing reorganization. The restructuring accrual of \$10 million as of September 30, 2006 is expected to be utilized by March 2017. This accrual is included in other accrued expenses presented in Note 8 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In fiscal 2007, we expect to incur between \$15 million and \$20 million of restructuring costs in connection with our international publishing reorganization. Overall, including charges incurred through September 30, 2006, we expect to incur between \$40 million and \$50 million of restructuring costs, substantially all of which will result in cash expenditures by 2017. These restructuring costs will consist primarily of employee-related relocation assistance (approximately \$25 million), facility exit costs (approximately \$10 million), as well as other reorganization costs (approximately \$10 million).

#### Fiscal 2006 Restructuring

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2006, we aligned our resources with our product plan for fiscal 2007 and strategic opportunities with next-generation consoles, online and mobile platforms. As part of this alignment, we recorded a total pre-tax restructuring charge of \$10 million consisting entirely of one-time benefits related to headcount reductions, which are included in restructuring charges in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. As of September 30, 2006, an aggregate of \$9 million in cash has been paid out under the restructuring plan. The

remaining restructuring accrual of \$1 million is expected to be utilized during fiscal 2007. This accrual is included in other accrued expenses presented in Note 8 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### Fiscal 2004, 2003 and 2002 Restructurings

In fiscal 2004, 2003 and 2002, we engaged in various restructurings based on management decisions. As of September 30, 2006, an aggregate of \$29 million in cash had been paid out under these restructuring plans. The remaining projected net cash outlay of \$5 million is expected to be utilized during our fiscal year ending March 31, 2007. The facilities-related accrued

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obligation shown above is net of \$4 million of estimated future sub-lease income. The restructuring accrual is included in other accrued expenses presented in Note 8 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### (7) ROYALTIES AND LICENSES

Our royalty expenses consist of payments to (1) content licensors, (2) independent software developers, and (3) co-publishing and/or distribution affiliates. License royalties consist of payments made to celebrities, professional sports organizations, movie studios and other organizations for our use of their trademarks, copyrights, personal publicity rights, content and/or other intellectual property. Royalty payments to independent software developers are payments for the development of intellectual property related to our games. Co-publishing and distribution royalties are payments made to third parties for delivery of product.

Royalty-based obligations with content licensors and distribution affiliates are either paid in advance and capitalized as prepaid royalties or are accrued as incurred and subsequently paid. These royalty-based obligations are generally expensed to cost of goods sold generally at the greater of the contractual rate or an effective royalty rate based on expected net product sales. Prepayments made to thinly capitalized independent software developers and co-publishing affiliates are generally in connection with the development of a particular product and, therefore, we are generally subject to development risk prior to the release of the product. Accordingly, payments that are due prior to completion of a product are generally amortized to research and development over the development period as the services are incurred. Payments due after completion of the product (primarily royalty-based in nature) are generally expensed as cost of goods sold.

Our contracts with some licensors include minimum guaranteed royalty payments which are initially recorded as an asset and as a liability at the contractual amount when no significant performance remains with the licensor. When significant performance remains with the licensor, we record guarantee payments as an asset when actually paid and as a liability when incurred, rather than recording the asset and liability upon execution of the contract. Minimum royalty payment obligations are classified as current liabilities to the extent such royalty payments are contractually due within the next twelve months. As of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006, approximately \$5 million and \$9 million, respectively, of minimum guaranteed royalty obligations had been recognized.

Each quarter, we also evaluate the future realization of our royalty-based assets as well as any unrecognized minimum commitments not yet paid to determine amounts we deem unlikely to be realized through product sales. Any impairments determined before the launch of a product are charged to research and development expense. Impairments determined post-launch are charged to cost of goods sold. In either case, we rely on estimated revenue to evaluate the future realization of prepaid royalties and commitments. If actual sales or revised revenue estimates fall below the initial revenue estimate, then the actual charge taken may be greater in any given quarter than anticipated. We had no impairments during the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005.

The current and long-term portions of prepaid royalties and minimum guaranteed royalty-related assets, included in other current assets and other assets, consisted of (in millions):

	Septe	As of omber 30, 2006	Mai	s of ch 31, 006
Other current assets Other assets	\$	59 54	\$	76 55
Royalty-related assets	\$	113	\$	131

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At any given time, depending on the timing of our payments to our co-publishing and/or distribution affiliates, content licensors and/or independent software developers, we recognize unpaid royalty amounts due to these parties as either accounts payable or accrued liabilities. The current and long-term portions of accrued royalties, included in accrued and other current liabilities as well as other liabilities, consisted of (in millions):

	A	As of March 31,		
	Septen			
	20	2006		
Accrued and other current liabilities	\$	99	\$	82
Other liabilities		2		7
Royalty-related liabilities	\$	101	\$	89

In addition, as of September 30, 2006, we were committed to pay approximately \$1,542 million to co-publishing and/or distribution affiliates and content licensors, but significant performance remained with the counterparty (i.e., delivery of the product or content or other factors) and such commitments were therefore not recorded in our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. See Note 9 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### (8) BALANCE SHEET DETAILS

#### **Inventories**

Inventories as of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006 consisted of (in millions):

	As	As of March 31, 2006		
	Septem			
	20			
Raw materials and work in process	\$	7	\$	1
Finished goods (including manufacturing royalties)		60		60
Inventories	\$	67	\$	61

#### Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment, net, as of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006 consisted of (in millions):

	As of September 2006			As of March 31, 2006		
Computer equipment and software	\$	483	\$	418		
Buildings		196		127		
Leasehold improvements		87		78		
Office equipment, furniture and fixtures		63		57		
Land		62		57		
Warehouse equipment and other		10		11		
Construction in progress		8		59		
		909		807		
Less accumulated depreciation		(461)		(415)		
Property and equipment, net	\$	448	\$	392		

Depreciation expense associated with property and equipment amounted to \$23 million and \$46 million for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, respectively. Depreciation expense associated with property and equipment amounted to \$20 million and \$40 million for the three and six months ended September 30, 2005, respectively.

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#### Accrued and Other Current Liabilities

Accrued and other current liabilities as of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006 consisted of (in millions):

	Septe	As of September 30, 2006		
Accrued income taxes	\$	213	\$	234
Other accrued expenses		150		202
Accrued royalties		99		82
Accrued compensation and benefits		83		122
Deferred revenue		54		52
Accrued value added taxes		35		14
Accrued and other current liabilities	\$	634	\$	706

#### **Income Taxes**

#### Effective Income Tax Rate for three and six months ended September 30, 2006

With respect to our projected annual effective income tax rate at the end of each quarter prior to the end of a fiscal year, we are required to make a projection of several items, including our projected mix of full-year income in each jurisdiction in which we operate and the related income tax expense in each jurisdiction. While this projection is inherently uncertain, for fiscal 2007, our projected tax rate is unusually volatile and subject to significantly greater variation. As such, as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2007 because relatively small changes in our forecasted profitability for fiscal 2007 can significantly affect our projected annual effective tax rate, we believe our tax rate for the six months ended September 30, 2006 is currently the most reliable estimate of our annual effective tax rate for fiscal 2007. Accordingly, the effective income tax rates reflected in our financial statements for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 reflect only our estimated tax expense for the three months and estimated tax benefit for the six months ended September 30, 2006. The overall effective income tax rate for the fiscal year will likely be different from the tax rates in effect for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and could be considerably higher or potentially lower, as it will be particularly dependent on our profitability for the year. Effective Income Tax Rate for three and six months ended September 30, 2005

During the three months ended September 30, 2005, our effective income tax rate was 15 percent which reflected various adjustments recorded in the three months ended September 30, 2005 for the resolution of certain tax-related matters with foreign tax authorities, offset by additional income tax provisions which resulted from certain intercompany transactions during the three months ended September 30, 2005. The net impact of these adjustments was that we recognized \$9 million (or \$0.03 per basic and diluted share) less income tax expense during the three and six months ended September 30, 2005 than we would have recognized had our projected effective income tax rate

#### (9) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### Lease Commitments and Residual Value Guarantees

remained at our original projected annual effective income tax rate of 29 percent.

We lease certain of our current facilities and equipment under non-cancelable operating lease agreements. We are required to pay property taxes, insurance and normal maintenance costs for certain of these facilities and will be required to pay any increases over the base year of these expenses on the remainder of our facilities. In February 1995, we entered into a build-to-suit lease ( Phase One Lease ) with a third-party lessor for our headquarters facilities in Redwood City, California ( Phase One Facilities ). The Phase One Facilities comprise a total of approximately 350,000 square feet and provide space for sales, marketing, administration and research and development functions. In July 2001, the lessor refinanced the Phase One Lease with Keybank National Association through July 2006. The Phase One Lease expires in January 2039, subject to early termination in the event the underlying financing between the lessor and its lenders is

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not extended. Subject to certain terms and conditions, upon termination of the lease, we may purchase the Phase One Facilities or arrange for the sale of the Phase One Facilities to a third party.

Pursuant to the terms of the Phase One Lease, we have an option to purchase the Phase One Facilities at any time for a purchase price of \$132 million. In the event of a sale to a third party, if the sale price is less than \$132 million, we will be obligated to reimburse the difference between the actual sale price and \$132 million, up to maximum of \$117 million, subject to certain provisions of the Phase One Lease, as amended.

On May 26, 2006, the lessor extended its loan financing underlying the Phase One Lease with its lenders through July 2007. We may request, on behalf of the lessor and subject to lender approval, up to two one-year extensions of the loan financing between the lessor and the lender. In the event the lessor s loan financing with the lenders is not extended, we may loan to the lessor approximately 90 percent of the financing, and require the lessor to extend the remainder through July 2009; otherwise the lease will terminate. We account for the Phase One Lease arrangement as an operating lease in accordance with SFAS No. 13, *Accounting for Leases*, as amended.

In December 2000, we entered into a second build-to-suit lease ( Phase Two Lease ) with Keybank National Association for a five and one-half year term beginning in December 2000 to expand our Redwood City, California headquarters facilities and develop adjacent property ( Phase Two Facilities ). Construction of the Phase Two Facilities was completed in June 2002. The Phase Two Facilities comprise a total of approximately 310,000 square feet and provide space for sales, marketing, administration and research and development functions. Subject to certain terms and conditions, upon termination of the lease, we may purchase the Phase Two Facilities or arrange for the sale of the Phase Two Facilities to a third party.

Pursuant to the terms of the Phase Two Lease, we have an option to purchase the Phase Two Facilities at any time for a purchase price of \$115 million. In the event of a sale to a third party, if the sale price is less than \$115 million, we will be obligated to reimburse the difference between the actual sale price and \$115 million, up to a maximum of \$105 million, subject to certain provisions of the Phase Two Lease, as amended.

On May 26, 2006, the lessor extended the Phase Two Lease through July 2009 subject to early termination in the event the underlying loan financing between the lessor and its lenders is not extended. Concurrently with the extension of the lease, the lessor extended the loan financing underlying the Phase Two Lease with its lenders through July 2007. We may request, on behalf of the lessor and subject to lender approval, up to two one-year extensions of the loan financing between the lessor and the lender. In the event the lessor s loan financing with the lenders is not extended, we may loan to the lessor approximately 90 percent of the financing, and require the lessor to extend the remainder through July 2009, otherwise the lease will terminate. We account for the Phase Two Lease arrangement as an operating lease in accordance with SFAS No. 13, as amended.

We believe that, as of September 30, 2006, the estimated fair values of both properties under these operating leases exceeded their respective guaranteed residual values.

Financial	Covenants	Requireme	nt	 Actual as of September 30, 2006		
Consolid	ated Net Worth (in millions)	equal to or greater than equal to or	\$	2,310	\$ 3,591	
Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio		greater than		3.00	7.06	
		equal to or less				
Total Co	nsolidated Debt to Capital	than		60%	6.4%	
Quick		equal to or				
Ratio	Q1 & Q2	greater than		1.00	6.29	
		equal to or				
	Q3 & Q4	greater than		1.75	N/A	
Letter	rs of Credit					

In July 2002, we provided an irrevocable standby letter of credit to Nintendo of Europe, which we have amended on a number of occasions. The standby letter of credit, as amended, guarantees performance of our obligations to pay Nintendo of Europe for trade payables. As of September 30, 2006, the standby letter of credit, as amended, guaranteed our trade payable obligations to Nintendo of Europe for up to 20 million. As of September 30, 2006, 1 million was payable to Nintendo of Europe under the standby letter of credit, as amended.

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In August 2003, we provided an irrevocable standby letter of credit to 300 California Associates II, LLC in replacement of our security deposit for office space. The standby letter of credit guarantees performance of our obligations to pay our lease commitment up to approximately \$1 million. The standby letter of credit expires in December 2006. As of September 30, 2006, we did not have a payable balance on this standby letter of credit.

#### Development, Celebrity, League and Content Licenses: Payments and Commitments

The products we produce in our studios are designed and created by our employee designers, artists, software programmers and by non-employee software developers ( independent artists or third-party developers ). We typically advance development funds to the independent artists and third-party developers during development of our games, usually in installment payments made upon the completion of specified development milestones. Contractually, these payments are generally considered advances against subsequent royalties on the sales of the products. These terms are set forth in written agreements entered into with the independent artists and third-party developers. In addition, we have certain celebrity, league and content license contracts that contain minimum guarantee payments and marketing commitments that may not be dependent on any deliverables. Celebrities and organizations with whom we have contracts include: FIFA, FIFPRO Foundation, UEFA and FAPL (Football Association Premier League Limited) (professional soccer); NASCAR (stock car racing); National Basketball Association (professional basketball); PGA TOUR and Tiger Woods (professional golf); National Hockey League and NHL Players Association (professional hockey); Warner Bros. (Harry Potter, Batman and Superman); New Line Productions and Saul Zaentz Company (The Lord of the Rings); Red Bear Inc. (John Madden), National Football League Properties and PLAYERS Inc. (professional football); Collegiate Licensing Company (collegiate football, basketball and baseball); Simcoh (Def Jam); Viacom Consumer Products (The Godfather); ESPN (content in EA SPORTS<sup>TM</sup> games); and Twentieth Century Fox Licensing and Merchandising (The Simpsons). These developer and content license commitments represent the sum of (1) the cash payments due under non-royalty-bearing licenses and services agreements and (2) the minimum guaranteed payments and advances against royalties due under royalty-bearing licenses and services agreements, the majority of which are conditional upon performance by the counterparty. These minimum guarantee payments and any related marketing commitments are included in the table below.

The following table summarizes our minimum contractual obligations and commercial commitments as of September 30, 2006 (in millions):

		Contractual Obligations  Developer/					Commercial Commitments Letter of Credit,					
Fiscal Year		Licensor					Bank and					
		Commitments					Other					
Ending March 31,	Lea	ases		(1)	Mar	farketing Guarantees		Marketing Guarantee		antees	Total	
2007 (remaining six months)	\$	31	\$	44	\$	27	\$	7	\$	109		
2008		48		162		30		1		241		
2009		48		170		31				249		
2010		35		165		31				231		
2011		26		283		31				340		
Thereafter		63		723		186				972		
Total	\$	251	\$	1,547	\$	336	\$	8	\$ 2	2,142		

(1) Developer/licensor commitments include \$5 million

of commitments to developers or licensors that have been recorded in current and long-term liabilities and a corresponding amount in current and long-term assets in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2006 because payment is not contingent upon performance by the developer or licensor.

The lease commitments disclosed above include contractual rental commitments of \$21 million under real estate leases for unutilized office space resulting from our restructuring activities. These amounts, net of estimated future sub-lease income, were expensed in the periods of the related restructuring and are included in our accrued and other current liabilities reported on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2006. See Note 6 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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#### Acquisition of Digital Illusions C.E.

As of September 30, 2006, we owned 74 percent of Digital Illusions C.E. s ( DICE ) Class A common stock. In October 2006, we acquired all of the remaining minority interest in DICE for a total of \$24 million. Since January 27, 2005, we have included the assets, liabilities and results of operations of DICE in our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. We expect further adjustments to our purchase price allocation, including the allocation of goodwill, as a result of our purchase of the remaining minority interest of DICE.

#### Legal Proceedings

On February 14, 2005, an employment-related class action lawsuit, Hasty v. Electronic Arts Inc., was filed against the company in Superior Court in San Mateo, California. The complaint alleges that we improperly classified Engineers in California as exempt employees and seeks injunctive relief, unspecified monetary damages, interest and attorneys fees. On May 16, 2006, the court granted its preliminary approval of a settlement pursuant to which we agreed to make a lump sum payment of approximately \$15 million, to a third-party administrator to cover (a) all claims allegedly suffered by the class members, (b) plaintiffs attorneys fees, not to exceed 25% of the total settlement amount, (c) plaintiffs costs and expenses, (d) any incentive payments to the named plaintiffs that may be authorized by the court, and (e) all costs of administration of the settlement. On September 22, 2006, the court granted final approval of the settlement.

On September 14, 2006, we received an informal inquiry from the Securities and Exchange Commission requesting certain documents and information relating to our stock option grant practices from January 1, 1997 to the present. We intend to cooperate with all matters related to this request.

In addition, we are subject to other claims and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. We believe that any liability from any reasonably foreseeable disposition of such other claims and litigation, individually or in the aggregate, would not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

#### **Director Indemnity Agreements**

We have entered into indemnification agreements with the members of our Board of Directors at the time they joined the Board to indemnify them to the extent permitted by law against any and all liabilities, costs, expenses, amounts paid in settlement and damages incurred by the directors as a result of any lawsuit, or any judicial, administrative or investigative proceeding in which the directors are sued or charged as a result of their service as members of our Board of Directors.

#### (10) COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

SFAS No. 130, *Reporting Comprehensive Income*, requires classifying items of other comprehensive income (loss) by their nature in a financial statement and displaying the accumulated balance of other comprehensive income separately from retained earnings and additional paid-in capital in the equity section of a balance sheet. Accumulated other comprehensive income primarily includes foreign currency translation adjustments, and the net-of-tax amounts for unrealized gains (losses) on investments and unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges.

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The components of comprehensive income for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 are summarized as follows (in millions):

	ree Mon Septem 1006	ber 30		Six Months Ended September 30, 2006 2005			
Net income (loss)	\$ 22	\$	51	\$ (59)	\$	(7)	
Other comprehensive income:							
Change in unrealized gains on investments, net of tax							
expense of \$0 for each period	44		7	50		54	
Reclassification adjustment for losses realized on							
investments in net income (loss), net of tax benefit of \$0 for							
each period	1			1			
Change in unrealized gains (losses) on derivative							
instruments, net of tax expense (benefit) of \$0, \$0 and \$0,							
\$1, respectively	(3)			(3)		4	
Foreign currency translation adjustments	8		3	26		(8)	
Total other comprehensive income	\$ 50	\$	10	\$ 74	\$	50	
Total comprehensive income	\$ 72	\$	61	\$ 15	\$	43	
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The foreign currency translation adjustments are not adjusted for income taxes as they relate to indefinite investments in non-U.S. subsidiaries.

## (11) NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE

The following table summarizes the computations of basic earnings per share ( Basic EPS ) and diluted earnings per share ( Diluted EPS ). Basic EPS is computed as net income divided by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur from common shares issuable through stock-based compensation plans including stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units, warrants and other convertible securities using the treasury stock method.

			nths Ended mber 30,
2006	2005	2006	2005
\$ 22	\$ 51	\$ (59)	\$ (7)
307	302	306	305
8	12		
315	314	306	305
\$ 0.07 \$ 0.07	\$ 0.17 \$ 0.16	\$ (0.19) \$ (0.19)	\$ (0.02) \$ (0.02)
	Sept 2006 \$ 22 307 8 315	\$ 22 \$ 51 307 302 8 12 315 314 \$ 0.07 \$ 0.17	September 30,       September 30,       September 2006         \$ 2206       \$ 51       \$ (59)         307       302       306         8       12         315       314       306         \$ 0.07       \$ 0.17       \$ (0.19)

As a result of our net loss for the six months ended September 30, 2006, we have excluded certain stock awards from the diluted earnings per share calculation as their inclusion would have been antidilutive. Had we reported net income for this period, an additional 8 million shares of potential common stock equivalents would have been included in the number of shares used to calculate diluted earnings per share for the six months ended September 30, 2006.

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As a result of our net loss for the six months ended September 30, 2005, we have excluded certain stock awards from the diluted earnings per share calculation as their inclusion would have been antidilutive. Had we reported net income for this period, an additional 11 million shares of potential common stock equivalents would have been included in the number of shares used to calculate diluted earnings per share for the six months ended September 30, 2005.

Options to purchase 17 million and 19 million shares of common stock were excluded from the above computation of diluted shares for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, respectively, as their inclusion would have been antidilutive. For the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, the weighted-average exercise price of these shares was \$54.98 and \$54.87 per share, respectively.

Options to purchase 6 million shares of common stock were excluded from the above computation of diluted shares for both the three and six months ended September 30, 2005, respectively, as their inclusion would have been antidilutive. For the three and six months ended September 30, 2005, the weighted-average exercise price of these shares was \$64.44 and \$64.16 per share, respectively.

## (12) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

On June 24, 2002, we hired Warren C. Jenson as our Executive Vice President, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer and agreed to loan him \$4 million to be forgiven over four years based on his continuing employment. The loan did not bear interest. On June 24, 2004, pursuant to the terms of the loan agreement, we forgave \$2 million of the loan and provided Mr. Jenson approximately \$1.6 million to offset the tax implications of the forgiveness. On June 24, 2006, pursuant to the terms of the loan agreement, we forgave the remaining outstanding loan balance of \$2 million. No additional funds were provided to offset the tax implications of the forgiveness of the \$2 million balance.

### (13) SEGMENT INFORMATION

Our reporting segments are based upon: our internal organizational structure; the manner in which our operations are managed; the criteria used by our Chief Executive Officer, our chief operating decision maker, to evaluate segment performance; the availability of separate financial information; and overall materiality considerations.

We manage our business primarily based on geographical performance. Accordingly, our combined global publishing organizations represent our reportable segment, our Publishing segment, due to their similar economic characteristics, products and distribution methods. Publishing refers to the manufacturing, marketing, advertising and distribution of products developed or co-developed by us, or distribution of certain third-party publishers products through our co-publishing and distribution program.

The following table summarizes the financial performance of our Publishing segment and a reconciliation of our Publishing segment s profit to our consolidated operating income (loss) (in millions):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Six Month Septem	
	2006 2005		2006	2005
Publishing segment:				
Net revenue	\$ 748	\$ 690	\$ 1,126	\$ 1,034
Depreciation and amortization	(6)	(4)	(11)	(11)
Other expenses	(453)	(418)	(699)	(656)
Publishing segment profit	289	268	416	367
Reconciliation to consolidated operating income (loss):				
Other:				
Net revenue	36	(15)	70	6
Depreciation and amortization	(31)	(19)	(61)	(35)
Other expenses	(280)	(185)	(530)	(384)
Consolidated operating income (loss)	\$ 14	\$ 49	\$ (105)	\$ (46)

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Publishing segment profit differs from consolidated operating income (loss) primarily due to the exclusion of substantially all of our research and development expense as well as certain corporate functional costs that are not allocated to the publishing organizations.

Information about our total net revenue by product line for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 is presented below (in millions):

	Three Mo Septer		ths Ended nber 30,	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
Consoles				
PlayStation 2	\$ 269	\$ 304	\$ 369	\$ 421
Xbox 360	166		226	
Xbox	65	136	88	180
Nintendo GameCube	14	27	24	49
Total Consoles	514	467	707	650
PC	86	91	152	165
Mobility				
PSP	64	45	101	77
Nintendo DS	14	8	23	20
Game Boy Advance	8	7	14	13
Cellular Handsets	35	2	68	3
Total Mobility	121	62	206	113
Co-publishing and Distribution	39	32	81	62
Internet Services, Licensing and Other				
Subscription Services	15	14	31	29
Licensing, Advertising and Other	9	9	19	21
Total Internet Services, Licensing and Other	24	23	50	50
Total Net Revenue	\$ 784	\$ 675	\$ 1,196	\$ 1,040

Information about our operations in North America, Europe and Asia as of and for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 is presented below (in millions):

	North America	Europe	Asia	Total
Three months ended September 30, 2006 Net revenue from unaffiliated customers Long-lived assets	\$ 512	\$ 245	\$ 27	\$ 784
	1,157	218	13	1,388
Three months ended September 30, 2005 Net revenue from unaffiliated customers Long-lived assets	\$ 443	\$ 191	\$ 41	\$ 675
	334	205	10	549
Six months ended September 30, 2006  Net revenue from unaffiliated customers	\$ 721	\$ 414	\$ 61	\$ 1,196

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# Six months ended September 30, 2005

Net revenue from unaffiliated customers

627 \$ 335 \$ 78 \$ 1,040

Our direct sales to GameStop Corp. represented approximately 16 percent and 14 percent of total net revenue for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, respectively. Our direct sales to Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. represented approximately 14

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percent and 13 percent of total net revenue for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, respectively, and approximately 14 percent of total net revenue for both the three and six months ended September 30, 2005.

# (14) IMPACT OF RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In February 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 155, Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments An Amendment of FASB Statements No. 133 and 140. SFAS No. 155 (1) permits fair value measurement for any hybrid financial instrument that contains an embedded derivative that otherwise would require bifurcation, (2) clarifies that interest-only strips and principal-only strips are not subject to the requirements of SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, (3) establishes a requirement to evaluate interests in securitized financial assets to identify interests that are freestanding derivatives or that are hybrid financial instruments that contain an embedded derivative requiring bifurcation, (4) clarifies that concentrations of credit risk in the form of subordination are not embedded derivatives, and (5) amends SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities A Replacement of FASB Statement No. 125 to eliminate the prohibition on a qualifying special-purpose entity from holding a derivative financial instrument that pertains to a beneficial interest other than another derivative financial instrument. SFAS No. 155 is effective for all financial instruments acquired or issued for fiscal years beginning after September 15, 2006. We do not expect the adoption of SFAS No. 155 to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In June 2006, the FASB ratified the consensus reached on Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) Issue No. 06-3, How Taxes Collected from Customers and Remitted to Governmental Authorities Should Be Presented in the Income Statement (That Is, Gross Versus Net Presentation). The scope of EITF Issue No. 06-3 includes any transaction-based tax assessed by a governmental authority that is imposed concurrent with or subsequent to a revenue-producing transaction between a seller and a customer. The scope does not include taxes that are based on gross receipts or total revenues imposed dur

Statement (That Is, Gross Versus Net Presentation). The scope of EITF Issue No. 06-3 includes any transaction-based tax assessed by a governmental authority that is imposed concurrent with or subsequent to a revenue-producing transaction between a seller and a customer. The scope does not include taxes that are based on gross receipts or total revenues imposed during the inventory procurement process. Gross versus net income statement classification of that tax is an accounting policy decision and a voluntary change would be considered a change in accounting policy requiring the application of SFAS No. 154, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections. The following disclosures will be required for taxes within the scope of this issue that are significant in amount: (1) the accounting policy elected for these taxes and (2) the amounts of the taxes reflected gross (as revenue) in the income statement on an interim and annual basis for all periods presented. The EITF Issue No. 06-3 ratified consensus is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2006. We do not expect the adoption of EITF Issue No. 06-3 to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In July 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation (FIN) No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes An Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 . FIN No. 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in financial statements in accordance with SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes . FIN No. 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return and provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. Under FIN No. 48, the evaluation of a tax position is a two-step process. The first step is a recognition process where we are required to determine whether it is more likely than not that a tax position will be sustained upon examination, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes, based on the technical merits of the position. In evaluating whether a tax position has met the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold, it is presumed that the position will be examined by the appropriate taxing authority that has full knowledge of all relevant information. The second step is a measurement process whereby a tax position that meets the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold is calculated to determine the amount of benefit to recognize in the financial statements. FIN No. 48 also requires new tabular reconciliation of the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits at the beginning and end of the reporting period. The provisions of FIN No. 48 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. As such, we are required to adopt it in our first quarter of fiscal year 2008. Any changes to our income taxes due to the adoption of FIN No. 48 are treated as the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle. We are evaluating what impact the adoption of FIN No. 48 will have on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements; however, FIN No. 48 could have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In September 2006, the SEC issued SAB No. 108, Financial Statements Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements when Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statements . SAB No. 108 provides guidance on how prior year misstatements should be taken into consideration when quantifying misstatements in current year financial statements for purposes of determining whether the current year s financial statements are materially misstated. The impact of correcting all misstatements, including both the carryover and reversing effects of prior year misstatements, must be quantified on the current year financial statements. When a current year misstatement has been quantified, SAB No. 99, Financial Statements -

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Materiality should be applied to determine whether the misstatement is material and should result in an adjustment to the financial statements. SAB No. 108 also discusses the implications of misstatements uncovered upon the application of SAB No. 108 in situations when a registrant has historically been using either the iron curtain approach or the rollover approach as described in the SAB. Registrants electing not to restate prior periods should reflect the effects of initially applying the guidance in Topic 1N in their annual financial statements covering the first fiscal year ending after November 15, 2006. We are evaluating what impact the adoption of SAB No. 108 will have on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*. SFAS No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value refers to the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the market in which the reporting entity transacts. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the information used to develop those assumptions. Fair value measurements would be separately disclosed by level within the fair value hierarchy. The provisions of SFAS No. 157 are effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007, and interim periods within those fiscal years. We do not expect the adoption of SFAS No. 157 to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In October 2006, the FASB issued FSP FAS No. 123(R)-5. FSP FAS No. 123(R)-5 addresses whether a modification of an instrument in connection with an equity restructuring should be considered a modification for purposes of applying FSP FAS No. 123(R)-1, *Classification and Measurement of Freestanding Financial Instruments Originally Issued in Exchange for Employee Services under FASB Statement No. 123(R)*. If (1) there is no increase in fair value of the award or the anti-dilution provision is not added to the terms of the award in contemplation of an equity restructuring, and (2) all holders of the same class of equity instruments are treated in the same manner, no change in recognition or measurement will result for instruments that were originally issued as employee compensation and then modified in connection with an equity restructuring that occurs when the holders are no longer employees. The provisions in FSP FAS No. 123(R)-5 are effective for the first reporting period beginning after October 10, 2006. We do not expect the adoption of FSP FAS No. 123(R)-5 to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

Electronic Arts Inc.:

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet of Electronic Arts Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of September 30, 2006, the related condensed consolidated statements of operations for the three-month and six-month periods ended September 30, 2006 and October 1, 2005, and the related condensed consolidated statements of cash flows for the six-month periods ended September 30, 2006 and October 1, 2005. These condensed consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company s management. We conducted our review in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the condensed consolidated financial statements referred to above for them to be in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We have previously audited, in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of Electronic Arts Inc. and subsidiaries as of April 1, 2006, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders—equity and comprehensive income, and cash flows for the year then ended (not presented herein); and in our report dated June 9, 2006, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of April 1, 2006, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated balance sheet from which it has been derived.

**KPMG LLP** 

Mountain View, California November 6, 2006

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Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations
This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private
Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, including
statements regarding industry prospects and future results of operations or financial position, made in this
Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are forward looking. We use words such as anticipate, believe, expect, intend
estimate, (and the negative of any of these terms), future and similar expressions to help identify
forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to business and economic risk and
reflect management s current expectations, and involve subjects that are inherently uncertain and difficult to
predict. Our actual results could differ materially. We will not necessarily update information if any
forward-looking statement later turns out to be inaccurate. Risks and uncertainties that may affect our future
results include, but are not limited to, those discussed in this report under the heading Risk Factors in Part II,
Item 1A, as well as in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006 as filed with
the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on June 12, 2006 and in other documents we have filed with
the SEC.

## **OVERVIEW**

The following overview is a top-level discussion of our operating results as well as some of the trends and drivers that affect our business. Management believes that an understanding of these trends and drivers is important in order to understand our results for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, as well as our future prospects. This summary is not intended to be exhaustive, nor is it intended to be a substitute for the detailed discussion and analysis provided elsewhere in this Form 10-Q, including in the remainder of Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations , Risk Factors or the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes. Additional information can be found within the Business section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006 as filed with the SEC on June 12, 2006 and in other documents we have filed with the SEC.

#### **About Electronic Arts**

We develop, market, publish and distribute interactive software games that are playable by consumers on home video game consoles (such as the Sony PlayStation® 2, Microsoft Xbox 360<sup>TM</sup> and Xbox®, and Nintendo GameCube<sup>TM</sup>), personal computers, mobile platforms (including cellular handsets and handheld game players such as the PlayStation® Portable ( PSFM ) and the Nintendo DSM) and online, over the Internet and other proprietary online networks. Some of our games are based on content that we license from others (e.g., Madden NFL Football, The Godfather and FIFA Soccer), and some of our games are based on our own wholly-owned intellectual property (e.g., The Sims<sup>TM</sup>, Need for Speed<sup>TM</sup> and BLACK<sup>TM</sup>). Our goal is to publish titles with mass-market appeal, which often means translating and localizing them for sale in non-English speaking countries. In addition, we also attempt to create software game—franchises—that allow us to publish new titles on a recurring basis that are based on the same property. Examples of this franchise approach are the annual iterations of our sports-based products (e.g., Madden NFL Football, NCAA® Football and FIFA Soccer), wholly-owned properties that can be successfully sequeled (e.g., The Sims, Need for Speed and Battlefield) and titles based on long-lived literary and/or movie properties (e.g., Lord of the Rings and Harry Potter).

### **Overview of Financial Results**

Total net revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2006 was \$784 million, up 16 percent as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005. Net revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2006 was driven by sales of *Madden NFL 07*, *NCAA® Football 07*, *FIFA 07*, *NBA Live 07* and *NHL® 07*. *Madden NFL 07* sold over five million copies in the quarter. *NCAA Football 07* sold over two million copies in the quarter.

Net income for the three months ended September 30, 2006 was \$22 million as compared to \$51 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005. Diluted net income per share for the three months ended September 30, 2006 was \$0.07 as compared to \$0.16 for the three months ended September 30, 2005.

We used \$44 million in cash from operations during the six months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to \$19 million during the six months ended September 30, 2005. The increase in cash used in operating activities for the six months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005 resulted primarily

from (1) an increase of \$24 million paid for income taxes, (2) \$16 million paid in connection with the settlement of certain employee-related litigation

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matters, and (3) \$15 million in acquisition-related restricted cash. These payments were partially offset by a decrease in prepaid royalties as compared to the prior year.

Stock-Based Compensation. Beginning in fiscal 2007, we adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 123 (revised 2004) (SFAS No. 123R), Share-Based Payment, which requires us to recognize the cost resulting from all share-based payment transactions in our financial statements using a fair-value-based method. See Note 3 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. The following table summarizes our stock-based compensation expense resulting from stock options, restricted stock units, restricted stock awards and our employee stock purchase plan included in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 (in millions):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Six Months I September		hs Ended	Ended	
					ber 30,		
	20	006	2005	20	006	2005	
Cost of goods sold	\$	1	\$	\$	1	\$	
Marketing and sales		4			9		
General and administrative		9			20		
Research and development		19	1		40	1	
Stock-based compensation expense		33	1		70	1	
Benefit for income taxes		(7)	(1)		(15)	(1)	
Stock-based compensation expense, net of tax	\$	26	\$	\$	55	\$	

As of September 30, 2006, the total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock options was \$191 million, and restricted stock and restricted stock units (collectively referred to as restricted stock rights) was \$74 million and is expected to be recognized over the weighted-average service period of 1.65 years and 2.39 years, respectively. On September 15, 2006, we completed a stock option exchange program pursuant to which permitted eligible employees were able to exchange certain outstanding stock options that were significantly underwater (that is, the exercise price of the stock option was greater than the trading price of our common stock at that time) for a lesser number of shares of restricted stock rights, which were granted under our 2000 Equity Incentive Plan. In the exchange program, eligible employees exchanged stock options to purchase approximately 1,776,000 shares of our common stock for 444,000 shares of restricted stock rights.

# Management s Overview of Historical and Prospective Business Trends

Transition to Next-Generation Consoles. Our industry is cyclical and in the midst of a transition stage heading into the next cycle. Microsoft launched the Xbox 360 in November 2005. We expect Sony to introduce the PlayStation® 3 beginning in November 2006 in North America and Japan and continuing through spring 2007 in Europe and elsewhere. We expect Nintendo to introduce the Wii in November in North America and in December in Japan and Europe. We expect that, as the current generation of consoles continue to progress and eventually reach the end of their commercial life cycle and next-generation consoles are introduced into the market, sales of video games for current-generation consoles will continue to decline as consumers replace their current-generation consoles with next-generation consoles, or defer game software purchases until they are able to purchase a next-generation console. This pattern is referred to in our industry as a transition to next-generation consoles. During this transition, we intend to continue to develop new titles for current-generation video game consoles while we also continue to make significant investments in the development of products for next-generation consoles. We expect the average selling prices and the number of units of our titles for current-generation consoles to continue to decline as more value-oriented consumers purchase current-generation consoles, a greater number of competitive titles are published at reduced price points, and consumers potentially defer purchases in anticipation of next-generation consoles. Although there can be no assurance, and our actual results could differ materially, we expect gross margin pressure as a result of (1) a decrease in average selling prices of titles for current-generation platforms, (2) higher license royalty rates, and

(3) amortization of our newly-acquired intangible assets.

We have incurred, and expect to continue to incur, higher costs during this transition to next-generation consoles. Moreover, we expect development costs for next-generation video games to be greater on a per-title basis than development costs for current- generation video games. As we move through the life cycle of current-generation consoles, we will continue to devote significant resources to the development of current-generation titles while at the same time continuing to invest heavily in tools,

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technologies and titles for the next generation of platforms and technology. We expect our operating results to continue to be volatile and difficult to predict.

Expansion of Mobile Platforms. Advances in mobile technology have resulted in a variety of new and evolving platforms for on-the-go interactive entertainment that appeal to a broader demographic of consumers. Our efforts to capitalize on the growth in mobile interactive entertainment are focused in two broad areas packaged goods games for handheld game systems and downloadable games for cellular handsets.

We have developed and published games for a variety of handheld platforms, including the Nintendo Game Boy and Game Boy Advance, for several years. The introductions of the Sony PSP and the Nintendo DS, with their richer graphics, deeper gameplay, and online functionality, provide a richer mobile gaming experience for consumers. We expect sales of games for cellular handsets to become an increasingly important part of our business worldwide. To accelerate our position in this growing segment, in February 2006, we acquired JAMDAT Mobile Inc. ( JAMDAT ), a global publisher of wireless games and other wireless entertainment applications. As a result of this acquisition, we expect our net revenue from games for cellular handsets to increase significantly in fiscal 2007. Likewise, the acquisition, along with the additional investment required to grow this portion of our business globally, will result in increased development and operating expenses.

As mobile technology continues to evolve and the installed base of both handheld game systems and game-enabled cellular phones likely expands, we anticipate that sales of our titles for mobile platforms — for both handhelds and cellular handsets — will become an increasingly important part of our business.

Investment in Online. Today, we generate net revenue from a variety of online products and services, including casual games and downloadable content marketed under our Pogo brand, persistent state world games such as *Ultima* Online<sup>TM</sup>, PC-based downloadable content and online-enabled packaged goods. As the nature of online game offerings expands and evolves, we anticipate long-term opportunities for growth in this area. For example, we expect that consumers will take advantage of the online connectivity of next-generation consoles at a much higher rate than they have on current-generation consoles, allowing more consumers to enhance their gameplay experience through multiplayer activity, community-building and downloading content. We plan to increase the amount of content available for download on the PC and consoles, and to increase the number of PC-based games that can be downloaded electronically. In addition, we plan to expand our casual game offerings internationally and to invest in growing genres such as mid-session games. To further enhance our online offerings, we acquired Mythic Entertainment (Mythic), a developer and publisher of massively multiplayer online role-playing games on July 24, 2006. Although we intend to make significant investments in online products, infrastructure and services and believe that online gameplay will become an increasingly important part of our business in the long term, we do not expect revenue from persistent state world games or online gameplay and distribution to be significant in fiscal 2007. International Expansion. We expect international sales to remain a fundamental part of our business. As part of our international expansion strategy, we may seek to partner with established local companies through acquisitions, joint ventures or other similar arrangements. We are planning to expand our development and business activities internationally. We believe that in order to succeed internationally, it is important to locally develop content that is specifically directed toward local cultures and consumers. As such, we expect to continue to devote resources to hiring local development talent and expanding our infrastructure outside of North America, most notably, through the expansion and creation of local studio facilities in Asia. In addition, we are in the process of establishing online game marketing, publishing and distribution functions in China and Singapore.

Sales of Hit Titles. Sales of hit titles, several of which were top sellers in a number of countries, contributed significantly to our net revenue. Our top-selling titles across all platforms worldwide during the three months ended September 30, 2006 were Madden NFL 07, NCAA Football 07, FIFA 07, NBA Live 07 and NHL 07. Hit titles are important to our financial performance because they benefit from overall economies of scale. We have developed, and it is our objective to continue to develop, many of our hit titles to become franchise titles that can be regularly iterated. Increasing Licensing Costs. We generate a significant portion of our net revenue and operating income from games based on licensed content such as Madden NFL Football, FIFA Soccer, Harry Potter and ESPN. We have recently entered into new licenses and renewed older licenses, some of which contain higher royalty rates than similar license agreements we have entered

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into in the past. We believe these licenses, and the product franchises they support, will continue to be important to our future operations, but the higher costs of these licenses will negatively impact our gross margins. *Foreign Currency Exchange Impact*. Net revenue from international sales accounted for approximately 40 percent of our total net revenue during the first six months of both fiscal 2007 and 2006. Our international net revenue was primarily driven by sales in Europe and, to a lesser extent, in Asia. Year-over-year, foreign exchange rates had an insignificant impact on our net revenue for the six months ended September 30, 2006; however, our future results of operations, including our reported net revenue and net income, and financial condition could be significantly affected by foreign currency fluctuations.

Acquisitions, Investments and Strategic Transactions. We have engaged in, evaluated, and expect to continue to engage in and evaluate, a wide array of potential strategic transactions, including (1) acquisitions of companies, businesses, intellectual properties, and other assets, and (2) investments in new interactive entertainment businesses, such as online and mobile games. During October 2006, we completed our acquisition of Digital Illusions C.E. (DICE) by purchasing the remaining outstanding DICE shares. In July 2006, we acquired Mythic as part of our efforts to accelerate our growth in the massively multiplayer online role-playing market. In fiscal 2006, we acquired JAMDAT as part of our efforts to accelerate our growth in mobile gaming.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

Our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, contingent assets and liabilities, and revenue and expenses during the reporting periods. The policies discussed below are considered by management to be critical because they are not only important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results of operations but also because application and interpretation of these policies requires both judgment and estimates of matters that are inherently uncertain and unknown. As a result, actual results may differ materially from our estimates.

## Revenue Recognition, Sales Returns, Allowances and Bad Debt Reserves

We principally derive revenue from sales of packaged interactive software games designed for play on video game consoles (such as the PlayStation 2, Xbox 360, Xbox and Nintendo GameCube), PCs and mobile platforms including handheld game players (such as the Sony PSP, Nintendo DS and Nintendo Game Boy Advance) and cellular handsets. We evaluate the recognition of revenue based on the criteria set forth in Statement of Position (SOP) 97-2, Software Revenue Recognition, as amended by SOP 98-9, Modification of SOP 97-2, Software Revenue Recognition, With Respect to Certain Transactions and Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) No. 101, Revenue Recognition in Financial Statements, as revised by SAB No. 104, Revenue Recognition. We evaluate revenue recognition using the following basic criteria and recognize revenue when all four of the following criteria are met:

Evidence of an arrangement: Evidence of an agreement with the customer that reflects the terms and conditions to deliver products must be present in order to recognize revenue.

Delivery: Delivery is considered to occur when the products are shipped and risk of loss and reward have been transferred to the customer. For online games and services, revenue is recognized as the service is provided.

Fixed or determinable fee: If a portion of the arrangement fee is not fixed or determinable, we recognize that amount as revenue when the amount becomes fixed or determinable.

Collection is deemed probable: At the time of the transaction, we conduct a credit review of each customer involved in a significant transaction to determine the creditworthiness of the customer. Collection is deemed probable if we expect the customer to be able to pay amounts under the arrangement as those amounts become due. If we determine that collection is not probable, we recognize revenue when collection becomes probable (generally upon cash collection).

Determining whether and when some of these criteria have been satisfied often involves assumptions and judgments that can have a significant impact on the timing and amount of revenue we report. For example, for multiple element

arrangements, we must make assumptions and judgments in order to: (1) determine whether and when each element has been delivered; (2) determine whether undelivered products or services are essential to the functionality of the delivered products and services; (3)

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determine whether vendor-specific objective evidence of fair value ( VSOE ) exists for each undelivered element; and (4) allocate the total price among the various elements we must deliver. Changes to any of these assumptions or judgments, or changes to the elements in a software arrangement, could cause a material increase or decrease in the amount of revenue that we report in a particular period. For example, some of our products are sold with online services. Because we are able to determine VSOE for the online services to be delivered, we are able to allocate the total price received from the combined product and online service sale between the elements and recognize the related revenue separately. If we were unable to determine VSOE for the online services to be delivered, all revenue from the transaction would be recognized over the online service period.

Product revenue, including sales to resellers and distributors ( channel partners ), is recognized when the above criteria are met. We reduce product revenue for estimated future returns, price protection, and other offerings, which may occur with our customers and channel partners. In certain countries, we have stock-balancing programs for our PC and video game system products, which allow for the exchange of these products by resellers under certain circumstances. It is our general practice to exchange products or give credits rather than to give cash refunds.

In certain countries, from time to time, we decide to provide price protection for both our PC and video game system products. When evaluating the adequacy of sales returns and price protection allowances, we analyze historical returns, current sell-through of distributor and retailer inventory of our products, current trends in the video game market and the overall economy, changes in customer demand and acceptance of our products, and other related factors. In addition, we monitor the volume of sales to our channel partners and their inventories, as substantial overstocking in the distribution channel could result in high returns or higher price protection costs in subsequent periods.

In the future, actual returns and price protections may materially exceed our estimates as unsold products in the distribution channels are exposed to rapid changes in consumer preferences, market conditions or technological obsolescence due to new platforms, product updates or competing products. For example, the risk of product returns and/or price protection for our products may continue to increase as the PlayStation 2, Xbox and Nintendo GameCube consoles move through their lifecycles and an increasing number and aggregate amount of competitive products heighten pricing and competitive pressures. While we believe we can make reliable estimates regarding these matters, these estimates are inherently subjective. Accordingly, if our estimates changed, our returns and price protection reserves would change, which would impact the total net revenue we report. For example, if actual returns and/or price protection were significantly greater than the reserves we have established, our actual results would decrease our reported total net revenue. Conversely, if actual returns and/or price protection were significantly less than our reserves, this would increase our reported total net revenue.

Determining whether a transaction constitutes an online service transaction or a download of a product can be difficult; however, the accounting for these transactions is significantly different. Revenue from product downloads is recognized when the download occurs assuming all other recognition criteria are met. Revenue from online services is recognized as the services are rendered. In addition, some of our online services do not have a defined service period. In those situations, we recognize revenue over the estimated service period. Determining the estimated service period is inherently subjective and is subject to regular revision based on historical online usage.

Significant judgment is required to estimate our allowance for doubtful accounts in any accounting period. We determine our allowance for doubtful accounts by evaluating customer creditworthiness in the context of current economic trends and historical experience. Depending upon the overall economic climate and the financial condition of our customers, the amount and timing of our bad debt expense and cash collection could change significantly.

## Royalties and Licenses

Our royalty expenses consist of payments to (1) content licensors, (2) independent software developers, and (3) co-publishing and/or distribution affiliates. License royalties consist of payments made to celebrities, professional sports organizations, movie studios and other organizations for our use of their trademarks, copyrights, personal publicity rights, content and/or other intellectual property. Royalty payments to independent software developers are payments for the development of intellectual property related to our games. Co-publishing and distribution royalties are payments made to third parties for delivery of product.

Royalty-based obligations with content licensors and distribution affiliates are either paid in advance and capitalized as prepaid royalties or are accrued as incurred and subsequently paid. These royalty-based obligations are generally expensed to cost of goods sold generally at the greater of the contractual rate or an effective royalty rate based on expected net product sales.

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Significant judgment is required to estimate the effective royalty rate for a particular contract. Because the computation of effective royalty rates requires us to project future revenue, it is inherently subjective as our future revenue projections must anticipate, for example, (1) the total number of titles subject to the contract, (2) the timing of the release of these titles, (3) the number of software units we expect to sell, and (4) future pricing. Determining the effective royalty rate for hit-based titles is particularly difficult due to the inherent risk of such titles. Accordingly, if our future revenue projections change, our effective royalty rates would change, which could impact the royalty expense we recognize. Prepayments made to thinly capitalized independent software developers and co-publishing affiliates are generally in connection with the development of a particular product and, therefore, we are generally subject to development risk prior to the release of the product. Accordingly, payments that are due prior to completion of a product are generally amortized to research and development over the development period as the services are incurred. Payments due after completion of the product (primarily royalty-based in nature) are generally expensed as cost of goods sold.

Our contracts with some licensors include minimum guaranteed royalty payments which are initially recorded as an asset and as a liability at the contractual amount when no significant performance remains with the licensor. When significant performance remains with the licensor, we record guarantee payments as an asset when actually paid and as a liability when incurred, rather than recording the asset and liability upon execution of the contract. Minimum royalty payment obligations are classified as current liabilities to the extent such royalty payments are contractually due within the next twelve months. As of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006, approximately \$5 million and \$9 million, respectively, of minimum guaranteed royalty obligations had been recognized.

Each quarter, we also evaluate the future realization of our royalty-based assets as well as any unrecognized minimum commitments not yet paid to determine amounts we deem unlikely to be realized through product sales. Any impairments determined before the launch of a product are charged to research and development expense. Impairments determined post-launch are charged to cost of goods sold. In either case, we rely on estimated revenue to evaluate the future realization of prepaid royalties and commitments. If actual sales or revised revenue estimates fall below the initial revenue estimate, then the actual charge taken may be greater in any given quarter than anticipated. We had no impairments during the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005.

## Valuation of Long-Lived Assets, including goodwill and other intangible assets

We evaluate both purchased intangible assets and other long-lived assets in order to determine if events or changes in circumstances indicate a potential impairment in value exists. This evaluation requires us to estimate, among other things, the remaining useful lives of the assets and future cash flows of the business. These evaluations and estimates require the use of judgment. Our actual results could differ materially from our current estimates.

Under current accounting standards, we make judgments about the recoverability of purchased intangible assets and other long-lived assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate a potential impairment in the remaining value of the assets recorded on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. In order to determine if a potential impairment has occurred, management makes various assumptions about the future value of the asset by evaluating future business prospects and estimated cash flows. Our future net cash flows are primarily dependent on the sale of products for play on proprietary video game consoles, handheld game players, PCs and cellular handsets ( platforms ). The sales of our products are affected by our ability to accurately predict which platforms and which products we develop will be successful. Also, our revenue and earnings are dependent on our ability to meet our product release schedules. Due to product sales shortfalls, we may not realize the future net cash flows necessary to recover our long-lived assets, which may result in an impairment charge being recorded in the future. There were no impairment charges recorded in the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and September 30, 2005.

SFAS No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* requires at least an annual assessment for impairment of goodwill by applying a fair-value-based test. A two-step approach is required to test goodwill for impairment for each reporting unit. The first step tests for impairment by applying fair value-based tests at the reporting unit level. The second step (if necessary) measures the amount of impairment by applying fair value-based tests to individual assets and liabilities within each reporting unit. Application of the goodwill impairment test requires judgment, including identification of reporting units, assignment of assets and liabilities to reporting units, assignment of goodwill to reporting units, and determination of the fair value of each reporting unit. The fair value of each reporting unit is

estimated using a discounted cash flow methodology which requires significant judgment to estimate the future cash flows, determine the appropriate discount rates, growth rates and other assumptions. The determination of fair value for each reporting unit could be materially affected by changes in these estimates

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and assumptions which could trigger impairment. In fiscal 2006, we completed the first step of the annual goodwill impairment testing as of January 1, 2006 and found no indicators of impairment of our recorded goodwill. We did not recognize an impairment loss on goodwill in fiscal 2006 or 2005. Future impairment tests may result in a charge to earnings and there is a potential for a write-down of goodwill in connection with the annual impairment test.

## Stock-Based Compensation

On April 1, 2006, we adopted SFAS No. 123R and applied the provisions of SAB No. 107, *Share-Based Payment*, on our adoption of SFAS No. 123R. SFAS No. 123R requires that the cost resulting from all share-based payment transactions be recognized in the financial statements using a fair-value-based method. We elected to use the modified prospective transition method of adoption. SFAS No. 123R requires us to measure compensation cost for all outstanding unvested stock-based awards made to our employees and directors based on estimated fair values and recognize compensation over the service period for awards expected to vest. We recognized \$33 million and \$70 million of stock-based compensation related to employee stock options, restricted stock units, restricted stock awards and our employee stock purchase plan (ESPP) for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, respectively. We recognized \$1 million of stock-based compensation related to employee restricted stock units and non-employee stock options during the three and six months ended September 30, 2005.

For options and ESPP, we use the Black-Scholes option valuation model to determine the grant date fair value. The Black-Scholes option valuation model requires us to make certain assumptions about the future. The determination of fair value is affected by our stock price as well as assumptions regarding subjective and complex variables such as expected employee exercise behaviors and our expected stock price volatility over the term of the award. Generally, our assumptions are based on historical information and judgment is required to determine if historical trends may be indicators of future outcomes. We estimated the following key assumptions for the Black-Scholes valuation calculation:

Risk-free interest rate. The risk-free interest rate is based on U.S. Treasury yields in effect at the time of grant for the expected term of the option.

Expected volatility. We use our historical stock price volatility and consider the implied volatility computed based on the price of short-term options publicly traded on our common stock for our expected volatility assumption.

Expected term. The expected term represents the weighted-average period the stock options are expected to remain outstanding. The expected term is determined based on historical exercise behavior, post-vesting termination patterns, options outstanding and future expected exercise behavior.

## Expected dividends.

As required by SFAS No. 123R, employee stock-based compensation expense recognized in the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 was calculated based on awards ultimately expected to vest and has been reduced for estimated forfeitures. Forfeitures are revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates and an adjustment will be recognized at that time.

Changes to our underlying stock price, our assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option valuation calculation and our forfeiture rate as well as future grants of equity could significantly impact compensation expense to be recognized in fiscal 2007 and future periods.

#### **Income Taxes**

In the ordinary course of our business, there are many transactions and calculations where the tax law and ultimate tax determination is uncertain. As part of the process of preparing our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, we are required to estimate our income taxes in each of the jurisdictions in which we operate prior to the completion and filing of tax returns for such periods. This process requires estimating both our geographic mix of income and our current tax exposures in each jurisdiction where we operate. These estimates involve complex issues, require extended periods of time to resolve, and require us to make judgments, such as anticipating the positions that we will take on tax returns prior to our actually preparing the returns and the outcomes of disputes with tax authorities. We are also

required to make determinations of the need to record deferred tax liabilities and the recoverability of deferred tax assets. A valuation allowance is established to the extent recovery of deferred tax assets is not likely based on our estimation of future taxable income in each jurisdiction.

In addition, changes in our business, including acquisitions, changes in our international structure, changes in the geographic location of business functions, changes in the geographic mix and amount of income, as well as changes in our agreements with

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tax authorities, valuation allowances, applicable accounting rules, applicable tax laws and regulations, rulings and interpretations thereof, developments in tax audit and other matters, and variations in the estimated and actual level of annual pre-tax income can affect the overall effective income tax rate and result in a variance between the projected effective tax rate for any quarter and the final effective tax rate for the fiscal year.

With respect to our projected annual effective income tax rate at the end of each quarter prior to the end of a fiscal year, we are required to make a projection of several items, including our projected mix of full-year income in each jurisdiction in which we operate and the related income tax expense in each jurisdiction. While this projection is inherently uncertain, for fiscal 2007, our projected tax rate is unusually volatile and subject to significantly greater variation. As such, as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2007 because relatively small changes in our forecasted profitability for fiscal 2007 can significantly affect our projected annual effective tax rate, we believe our tax rate for the six months ended September 30, 2006 is currently the most reliable estimate of our annual effective tax rate for fiscal 2007. Accordingly, the effective income tax rates reflected in our financial statements for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 reflect only our estimated tax expense for the three months and estimated tax benefit for the six months ended September 30, 2006. The overall effective income tax rate for the fiscal year will likely be different from the tax rates in effect for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and could be considerably higher or potentially lower, as it will be particularly dependent on our profitability for the year.

## **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

Our fiscal year is reported on a 52 or 53-week period that ends on the Saturday nearest March 31. As a result, fiscal 2006 contained 53 weeks with the first quarter containing 14 weeks. Our results of operations for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2007 and 2006 contain the following number of weeks:

Fiscal Years Ended Number of Weeks Fiscal Period End Date

March 31, 2007 52 weeks March 31, 2007 March 31, 2006 53 weeks April 1, 2006

Our results of operations for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 contained the following number of weeks:

Fiscal Period	Number of Weeks	Fiscal Period End Date
Three months ended September 30, 2006	13 weeks	September 30, 2006
Six months ended September 30, 2006	26 weeks	September 30, 2006

Three months ended September 30, 2005

Six months ended September 30, 2005

13 weeks

October 1, 2005

October 1, 2005

For simplicity of presentation, all fiscal periods are treated as ending on a calendar month end.

Beginning in fiscal 2007, we adopted SFAS No. 123R and applied the provisions of SAB No. 107 to our adoption of SFAS No. 123R. We elected to use the modified prospective transition method of adoption which requires that compensation expense be recognized in the financial statements for all awards granted after the date of adoption as well as for existing awards for which the requisite service has not been rendered as of the date of adoption. Accordingly, prior periods are not restated for the effect of SFAS No. 123R. Prior to our adoption of SFAS No. 123R, we valued our stock options based on the multiple-award valuation method and recognized the expense using the accelerated approach over the requisite service period. In conjunction with our adoption of SFAS No. 123R, we changed our method of recognizing our stock-based compensation expense to the straight-line approach over the requisite service period; however, we continue to value our stock options based on the multiple-award valuation method.

Prior to fiscal 2007, we accounted for stock-based awards to employees using the intrinsic value method in accordance with Accounting Principles Board No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees* and adopted the disclosure-only provisions of SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, as amended. Also, as required by SFAS No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure*, we provided pro forma net income and net income per common share disclosures for stock-based awards as if the fair-value-based

method defined in SFAS No. 123 had been applied. As a result, prior periods are not restated for the effect of SFAS No. 123R. Stock-based compensation expense for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 was \$33 million and \$70 million, respectively.

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### **Net Revenue**

We principally derive net revenue from sales of packaged interactive software games designed for play on video game consoles (such as the PlayStation 2, Xbox 360, Xbox and Nintendo GameCube), PCs and mobile platforms which include handheld game players (such as the Sony PSP, Nintendo DS and Nintendo Game Boy Advance) and cellular handsets. We also derive net revenue from selling services in connection with some of our online games, programming third-party web sites with our game content, allowing other companies to manufacture and sell our products in conjunction with other products, and selling advertisements on our online web pages. From a geographical perspective, our total net revenue for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 was as follows (in millions):

	Three Mor 2006				nded September 30, 2005			crease / ecrease)	% Change	
North America	\$	512	659	% \$	443	66%	\$	69	16%	
Europe Asia		245 27	319		191 41	28% 6%		54 (14)	28% (34%)	
International		272	359		232	34%		40	17%	
Total Net Revenue	\$	784	100	% \$	675	100%	\$	109	16%	
			Six Months 2006	Ended S	eptemb	per 30, 2005		crease /	% Change	
North America	\$	721	604	% \$	627	60%	\$	94	15%	
Europe Asia		414 61	35° 5°		335 78	32% 8%		79 (17)	24% (22%)	
International		475	409	%	413	40%		62	15%	
Total Net Revenue	\$	1,196	100	% \$	1,040	100%	\$	156	15%	

#### North America

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue in North America was \$512 million, driven primarily by sales of (1) *Madden NFL 07*, *NCAA Football 07*, and *NBA Live 07* which were released during the three months ended September 30, 2006, and (2) our cellular handset games business resulting from our acquisition of JAMDAT on February 15, 2006. Overall, net revenue increased \$69 million, or 16 percent, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005.

The increase in net revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005 was primarily driven by (1) a \$27 million increase in cellular handset net revenue, (2) a \$21 million increase in catalog<sup>(a)</sup> net revenue, and (3) a \$16 million increase in frontline<sup>(b)</sup> net revenue due to sales of titles for the Xbox 360 which had not yet been released during the three months ended September 30, 2005. For the six months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue in North America was \$721 million, driven primarily by sales of (1) *Madden NFL 07*, *NCAA Football 07*, and *NBA Live 07* which were released during the three months ended September 30, 2006 and (2) our cellular handset games business resulting from our acquisition of JAMDAT. Overall, net revenue increased \$94 million, or 15 percent, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005.

The increase in net revenue for the six months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005 was primarily driven by (1) a \$55 million increase in cellular handset net revenue and (2) a \$45 million increase in catalog net revenue. These increases were partially offset by a \$16 million decrease in frontline net revenue.

(a) We refer to catalog net revenue as net revenue derived from an EA Studio SKU (a version of a title designed for play on a particular platform) for consoles, PC, PSP, Nintendo DS, and Game Boy Advance subsequent to the quarter in

which the SKU was released.

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(b) We refer to frontline net revenue as net revenue derived from an EA Studio SKU for consoles, PC, PSP, Nintendo DS, and Game Boy Advance during the quarter the SKU was released.

### Europe

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue in Europe was \$245 million, driven primarily by sales of *FIFA 07*, *The Godfather The Game*, and *Tiger Woods PGA TOUR 07*. Overall, net revenue increased \$54 million, or 28 percent, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005. We estimate that foreign exchange rates (primarily the Euro and the British pound sterling) increased reported European net revenue by approximately \$10 million, or 5 percent, for the three months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005. Excluding the effect of foreign exchange rates, we estimate that European net revenue increased by approximately \$44 million, or 23 percent, for the three months ended September 30, 2006.

The increase in net revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005 was primarily driven by (1) a \$25 million increase in catalog net revenue, (2) a \$17 million increase in frontline net revenue due to sales of titles for the Xbox 360, which had not yet been released during the three months ended September 30, 2005, and (3) a \$10 million increase in co-publishing and distribution net revenue primarily due to *Dead Rising* and the recognition of three months of revenue for sales of titles from the Half-Life franchise in our second quarter of fiscal 2007 as compared to the recognition of one month of revenue in our second quarter of fiscal 2006.

For the six months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue in Europe was \$414 million, driven primarily by sales of FIFA 07, 2006 FIFA World Cup , The Godfather The Game, and Need for Speed Most Wanted. Overall, net revenue increased \$79 million, or 24 percent, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005. We estimate that foreign exchange rates (primarily the Euro and the British pound sterling) increased reported European net revenue by approximately \$3 million, or 1 percent, for the six months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005. Excluding the effect of foreign exchange rates, we estimate that European net revenue increased by approximately \$76 million, or 23 percent, for the six months ended September 30, 2006.

The increase in net revenue for the six months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005 was primarily driven by (1) a \$35 million increase in catalog net revenue, (2) a \$23 million increase in co-publishing and distribution net revenue primarily due to sales of titles from the Half-Life franchise, and (3) a \$13 million increase in frontline net revenue due to sales of titles on Xbox 360.

#### Asia

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue in Asia decreased by \$14 million, or 34 percent, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005. The decrease in net revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2006 was primarily driven by (1) an \$11 million decrease in catalog net revenue and (2) lower sales of co-publishing and distribution titles of \$3 million. The overall decrease in net revenue was mitigated by \$3 million from sales of titles for the Xbox 360, which had not yet been released during the three months ended September 30, 2005.

For the six months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue in Asia decreased by \$17 million, or 22 percent, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005. The decrease in net revenue for the six months ended

September 30, 2006 was primarily driven by (1) a \$9 million decrease in catalog net revenue and (2) lower sales of co-publishing and distribution titles of \$9 million. The overall decrease in net revenue was mitigated by \$7 million from sales of titles for the Xbox 360. We estimate that changes in foreign exchange rates decreased reported net revenue in Asia by approximately \$3 million, or 4 percent, for the six months ended September 30, 2006. Excluding the effect of foreign exchange rates, we estimate that Asia net revenue decreased by approximately \$14 million, or 18 percent for the six months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005.

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Our total net revenue by product line for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 was as follows (in millions):

	1	Three Months En	ided S	eptem	ber 30, 2005		crease/ ecrease)	% Change
Consoles								
PlayStation 2	\$ 269	35%	\$	304	45%	\$	(35)	(12%)
Xbox 360	166	21%					166	N/M
Xbox	65	8%		136	20%		(71)	(52%)
Nintendo GameCube	14	2%		27	4%		(13)	(48%)
Total Consoles	514	66%		467	69%		47	10%
PC	86	11%		91	14%		(5)	(5%)
Mobility								
PSP	64	8%		45	7%		19	42%
Nintendo DS	14	2%		8	1%		6	75%
Game Boy Advance	8	1%		7	1%		1	14%
Cellular Handsets	35	4%		2			33	N/M
Total Mobility Co-publishing and	121	15%		62	9%		59	95%
Distribution Internet Services, Licensing and Other	39	5%		32	5%		7	22%
Subscription Services	15	2%		14	2%		1	7%
Licensing, Advertising and Other	9	1%		9	1%			
Total Internet Services, Licensing and Other	24	3%		23	3%		1	4%
Total Net Revenue	\$ 784	100%	\$	675	100%	\$	109	16%
		Six Months End	led Se	ptemb	er 30,	In	crease/	%
		2006		•	2005	(De	ecrease)	Change
Consoles								_
PlayStation 2	\$ 369	31%	\$	421	40%	\$	(52)	(12%)
Xbox 360	226	19%					226	N/M
Xbox	88	7%		180	17%		(92)	(51%)
Nintendo GameCube	24	2%		49	5%		(25)	(51%)
Total Consoles	707	59%		650	62%		57	9%
PC Mobility	152	13%		165	16%		(13)	(8%)
PSP	101	8%		77	8%		24	31%
Nintendo DS	23	2%		20	2%		3	15%
Game Boy Advance	14			13	1%		1	8%
Cellular Handsets	68	6%		3	1 /0		65	N/M

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Total Mobility	206	17%	113	11%		93	82%
Co-publishing and							
Distribution	81	7%	62	6%		19	31%
Internet Services, Licensing							
and Other	21	201	20	201		2	70/
Subscription Services	31	3%	29	3%		2	7%
Licensing, Advertising and Other	19	1%	21	2%		(2)	(10%)
Other	19	1 70	21	270		(2)	(10%)
Total Internet Services,							
Licensing and Other	50	4%	50	5%			
Total Net Revenue	¢ 1 106	100%	¢ 1 040	100%	¢	156	15%
Total Net Revenue	\$ 1,196	100%	\$ 1,040	100%	\$	130	13%
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### PlayStation 2

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue from sales of titles for the PlayStation 2 was \$269 million, driven primarily by sales of *Madden NFL 07*, *FIFA 07*, *NCAA Football 07*, *NBA Live 07*, and *NHL 07*. Overall, PlayStation 2 net revenue decreased \$35 million, or 12 percent, compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005. Although we are unable to specifically quantify the impact, we believe the decrease was primarily due to the transition to next-generation consoles.

For the six months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue from sales of titles for the PlayStation 2 was \$369 million, driven primarily by sales of *Madden NFL 07*, *FIFA 07*, *NCAA Football 07*, 2006 FIFA World Cup, and NBA Live 07. Overall, PlayStation 2 net revenue decreased \$52 million, or 12 percent, compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005. Although we are unable to specifically quantify the impact, we believe the decrease was primarily due to the transition to next-generation consoles.

We expect PlayStation 2 related net revenue to continue to decline as consumers increasingly migrate to new platforms.

#### Xbox 360

The Xbox 360 was launched in North America, Europe and Japan during the three months ended December 31, 2005 and in the rest of Asia during the three months ended March 31, 2006. Net revenue from sales of titles for the Xbox 360 was \$166 million for the three months ended September 30, 2006, driven by sales of *Madden NFL 07, NCAA Football 07, The Lord of the Rings*, *The Battle for Middle-earth*, *II*, and *The Godfather The Game*. For the six months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue from sales of titles for the Xbox 360 was \$226 million driven by sales of *Madden NFL 07, NCAA Football 07, 2006 FIFA World Cup*, and *Battlefield 2: Modern Combat*. We expect net revenue from sales of titles for the Xbox 360 to increase in fiscal 2007 as the installed base grows and we release more titles.

#### Xbox

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue from sales of titles for the Xbox was \$65 million, driven primarily by sales of *Madden NFL 07* and *NCAA Football 07*. Overall, Xbox net revenue decreased \$71 million, or 52 percent, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005. Although we are unable to specifically quantify the impact, we believe the decrease was primarily due to the transition to next-generation consoles. For the six months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue from sales of titles for the Xbox was \$88 million, driven primarily by sales of *Madden NFL 07*, *NCAA Football 07*, and 2006 FIFA World Cup. Overall, Xbox net revenue decreased \$92 million, or 51 percent, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005. Although we are unable to specifically quantify the impact, we believe the decrease was primarily due to the transition to next-generation consoles.

We expect Xbox related net revenue to continue to decline as consumers increasingly migrate to new platforms.

### Nintendo GameCube

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue from sales of titles for the Nintendo GameCube was \$14 million, driven primarily by sales of *Madden NFL 07* and *FIFA 07*. Overall, Nintendo GameCube net revenue decreased \$13 million, or 48 percent, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005. Although we are unable to specifically quantify the impact, we believe the decrease was primarily due to the transition to next-generation consoles.

For the six months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue from sales of titles for the Nintendo GameCube was \$24 million, driven primarily by sales of *Madden NFL 07*, 2006 FIFA World Cup, and FIFA 07. Overall, Nintendo GameCube net revenue decreased \$25 million, or 51 percent, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005. Although we are unable to quantify the impact, we believe the decrease was primarily due to the transition to next-generation consoles.

We expect Nintendo GameCube related net revenue to continue to decline as consumers increasingly migrate to new platforms.

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#### PC

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue from sales of titles for the PC was \$86 million driven primarily by sales of titles from The Sims and FIFA franchises. Overall, PC net revenue decreased \$5 million, or 5 percent, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005. The decrease was primarily due to an \$11 million decline in sales from our Battlefield franchise. The overall decrease in net revenue was mitigated by \$6 million in higher combined sales from our Lord of the Rings franchise and Dark Age of Camelot, a franchise we acquired in connection with our acquisition of Mythic Entertainment on July 24, 2006.

For the six months ended September 30, 2006, net revenue from sales of titles for the PC was \$152 million driven primarily by sales of titles from The Sims and Battlefield franchises. Overall, PC net revenue decreased \$13 million, or 8 percent, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005. The decrease was primarily due to a \$41 million decline in sales from our Battlefield franchise. The overall decrease in net revenue was mitigated by \$23 million in higher combined sales from our Lord of the Rings, World Cup, and The Sims franchises.

## Mobile Platforms

Net revenue from mobile products, which consist of packaged goods games for handheld systems and downloadable games for cellular handsets, increased from \$62 million in the three months ended September 30, 2005 to \$121 million in the three months ended September 30, 2006. The increase was primarily due to a \$33 million year-over-year growth in our cellular handset games business resulting from our acquisition of JAMDAT and increased net revenue from sales of titles for the PSP. We released nine titles for the PSP during the three months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to three titles during the three months ended September 30, 2005. Net revenue from mobile products increased from \$113 million in the six months ended September 30, 2005 to \$206 million in the six months ended September 30, 2006. The increase was primarily due to a \$65 million year-over-year growth in our cellular handset games business resulting from our acquisition of JAMDAT and increased net revenue from sales of titles for the PSP. We released 11 titles for the PSP during the six months ended September 30, 2006, as compared to six titles during the six months ended September 30, 2005.

## Co-Publishing and Distribution

Net revenue from co-publishing and distribution products increased from \$32 million in the three months ended September 30, 2005 to \$39 million in the three months ended September 30, 2006. The increase was primarily due to sales of *Dead Rising*, which was released during the three months ended September 30, 2006.

Net revenue from co-publishing and distribution products increased from \$62 million in the six months ended September 30, 2005 to \$81 million in the six months ended September 30, 2006. The increase was primarily due to the recognition of six months of revenue for sales of titles from the Half-Life franchise in our second quarter of fiscal 2007 as compared to the recognition of one month of revenue in the our second quarter of fiscal 2006.

## **Cost of Goods Sold**

Cost of goods sold for our packaged-goods business consists of (1) product costs, (2) certain royalty expenses for celebrities, professional sports and other organizations and independent software developers, (3) manufacturing royalties, net of volume discounts and other vendor reimbursements, (4) expenses for defective products, (5) write-offs of post-launch prepaid royalty costs, (6) amortization of certain intangible assets, and (7) operational expenses. Volume discounts are generally recognized upon achievement of milestones and vendor reimbursements are generally recognized as the related revenue is recognized. Cost of goods sold for our online products consists primarily of data center and bandwidth costs associated with hosting our web sites, credit card fees and royalties for use of third-party properties. Cost of goods sold for our web site advertising business primarily consists of ad-serving costs.

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Cost of goods sold for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were as follows (in millions):

						Change as a %
	September 30, 2006	% of Net Revenue	September 30, 2005	% of Net Revenue	% Change	of Net Revenue
Three months ended	\$339	43.2%	\$ 284	42.1%	19.4%	1.1%
Six months ended	\$506	42.3%	\$ 434	41.7%	16.6%	0.6%

During the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, license royalties increased as a percentage of total net revenue, as compared to the three and six months ended September 30, 2005, primarily due to the increase in royalty rates associated with our football titles and our acquisition of JAMDAT, which incurs license royalties on the majority of its products. We estimate that license royalties as a percentage of total net revenue increased by approximately 3 and 4 percent during the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to the three and six months ended September 30, 2005, respectively.

As a percentage of total net revenue, the increase in license royalties was partially offset by lower average product costs as a result of the impact of higher returns in Europe due to lower-than-expected demand for our products during the three and six months ended September 30, 2005 and a higher mix of cellular handset net revenue resulting from our acquisition of JAMDAT in February 2006. We estimate that average product costs as a percentage of total net revenue decreased by approximately 2 and 3 percent during the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to the three and six months ended September 30, 2005, respectively.

Overall, we were negatively impacted by a slight decline in the average selling price of our titles for current-generation platforms during the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to the three and six months ended September 30, 2005.

Cost of goods sold as a percentage of total net revenue is difficult to predict. We expect gross margin pressure as a result of (1) a decrease in average selling prices of titles for current-generation platforms, (2) higher license royalty rates, and (3) amortization of our newly-acquired intangible assets.

# **Marketing and Sales**

Marketing and sales expenses consist of personnel-related costs and advertising, marketing and promotional expenses, net of qualified advertising cost reimbursements from third parties.

Marketing and sales expenses for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were as follows (in millions):

	September 30, 2006	% of Net Revenue	September 30, 2005	% of Net Revenue	\$ Change	% Change
Three months ended	\$108	14%	\$ 107	16%	\$ 1	1%
Six months ended	\$185	15%	\$ 182	18%	\$ 3	2%

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, marketing and sales expenses increased by \$1 million, or 1 percent, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005 due to an increase of \$9 million in personnel-related costs partially attributable to \$4 million of stock-based compensation expense recognized as a result of our adoption of SFAS No. 123R. This increase was offset by a decrease of \$9 million in our marketing, advertising, promotional and related contracted services as a result of higher advertising spend in the prior year to support our releases. For the six months ended September 30, 2006, marketing and sales expenses increased by \$3 million, or 2 percent, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005 due to an increase of \$12 million in personnel-related costs primarily attributable to \$9 million of stock-based compensation expense recognized as a result of our adoption of SFAS No. 123R. This increase was substantially offset by a decrease of \$10 million in our marketing, advertising, promotional and related contracted services as a result of higher advertising spend in the prior year to support our releases.

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We expect marketing and sales expenses to increase in absolute dollars in fiscal 2007 primarily due to our adoption of SFAS No. 123R.

#### **General and Administrative**

General and administrative expenses consist of personnel and related expenses of executive and administrative staff, fees for professional services such as legal and accounting, and allowances for doubtful accounts.

General and administrative expenses for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were as follows (in millions):

	September 30, 2006	% of Net Revenue	September 30, 2005	% of Net Revenue	\$ Change	% Change
Three months ended	\$ 72	9%	\$ 52	8%	\$20	38%
Six months ended	\$131	11%	\$ 103	10%	\$28	27%

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, general and administrative expenses increased by \$20 million, or 38 percent, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005 due to an increase of \$14 million in personnel-related costs primarily attributable to \$9 million of stock-based compensation expense recognized as a result of our adoption of SFAS No. 123R.

For the six months ended September 30, 2006, general and administrative expenses increased by \$28 million, or 27 percent, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005 due to an increase of \$23 million in personnel-related costs primarily attributable to \$20 million of stock-based compensation expense recognized as a result of our adoption of SFAS No. 123R.

We expect general and administrative expenses to increase in absolute dollars in fiscal 2007 primarily due to our adoption of SFAS No. 123R.

# **Research and Development**

Research and development expenses consist of expenses incurred by our production studios for personnel-related costs, contracted services, equipment depreciation and any impairment of prepaid royalties for pre-launch products. Research and development expenses for our online business include expenses incurred by our studios consisting of direct development and related overhead costs in connection with the development and production of our online games. Research and development expenses also include expenses associated with the development of web site content, network infrastructure direct expenses, software licenses and maintenance, and network and management overhead.

Research and development expenses for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were as follows (in millions):

	September 30, 2006	% of Net Revenue	September 30, 2005	% of Net Revenue	\$ Change	% Change
Three months ended	\$238	30%	\$ 182	27%	\$56	31%
Six months ended	\$454	38%	\$ 365	35%	\$89	24%

For the three months ended September 30, 2006, research and development expenses increased by \$56 million, or 31 percent, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2005. The increase was primarily due to (1) \$19 million of stock-based compensation expense recognized as a result of our adoption of SFAS No. 123R, (2) \$17 million related to additional personnel-related costs, primarily due to an increase in employee headcount worldwide resulting from our acquisition of JAMDAT and to support development for next-generation consoles, (3) an increase of \$11 million in external development expenses primarily in our cellular handset business resulting from our acquisition of JAMDAT as well as a greater number of consultants developing current-generation products, and (4) an increase of \$9 million in facilities-related expenses in support of our research and development functions worldwide.

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For the six months ended September 30, 2006, research and development expenses increased by \$89 million, or 24 percent, as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005. The increase was primarily due to (1) \$40 million of stock-based compensation expense recognized as a result of our adoption of SFAS No. 123R, (2) \$21 million related to additional personnel-related costs, primarily due to an increase in employee headcount worldwide resulting from our acquisition of JAMDAT and to support development for next-generation consoles, (3) an increase of \$15 million in external development expenses primarily in our cellular handset business resulting from our acquisition of JAMDAT as well as a greater number of consultants developing current-generation products , and (4) an increase of \$14 million in facilities-related expenses in support of our research and development functions worldwide.

We expect research and development expenses to increase in absolute dollars in fiscal 2007 primarily as a result of (1) our recognition of stock-based compensation expense and (2) our investment in developing titles for next-generation consoles, online and mobile platforms.

# **Amortization of Intangibles**

Amortization of intangibles for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were as follows (in millions):

	September 30, 2006	% of Net Revenue	September 30, 2005	% of Net Revenue	\$ Change	% Change
Three months ended	\$ 7	1%	\$ 1		\$ 6	600%
Six months ended	\$13	1%	\$ 2		\$11	550%

For the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, amortization of intangibles increased by \$6 million, or 600 percent, and \$11 million, or 550 percent, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended September 30, 2005. These increases were primarily due to the amortization of intangibles related to our acquisition of JAMDAT.

We expect amortization expenses of intangible assets to increase in fiscal 2007 primarily due to the amortization of intangibles related to our JAMDAT and Mythic acquisitions.

# **Acquired In-process Technology**

The \$2 million acquired in-process technology charge we incurred for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 was the result of our acquisition of Mythic. We did not incur a charge for acquired in-process technology during the three and six months ended September 30, 2005. Acquired in-process technology includes the value of products in the development stage that are not considered to have reached technological feasibility or have an alternative future use. Accordingly, upon consummation of our acquisition of Mythic, we incurred a charge for the acquired in-process technology as reflected in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. See Note 4 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In connection with our acquisition of the remaining shares of DICE, we expect to incur a charge for acquired in-process technology during the third quarter of fiscal 2007.

# **Restructuring Charges**

In November 2005, we announced plans to establish an international publishing headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Through the quarter ended September 30, 2006, we relocated certain employees to our new facility in Geneva, closed certain facilities in the U.K., and made other related changes in our international publishing business. During the three months ended September 30, 2006, restructuring charges were approximately \$4 million, of which \$2 million was for employee-related expenses. During the six months ended September 30, 2006, restructuring charges were approximately \$10 million, of which \$6 million was for employee-related expenses. We did not incur restructuring

costs during the three months ended September 30, 2005, and we incurred less than \$1 million of restructuring costs during the six months ended September 30, 2005.

For the remainder of fiscal 2007, we expect to incur between \$5 million and \$15 million of restructuring costs. Overall, including charges incurred through September 30, 2006, we expect to incur between \$40 million and \$50 million of restructuring costs in connection with our international publishing reorganization, substantially all of which will result in cash

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expenditures by 2017. These restructuring costs will consist primarily of employee-related relocation assistance (approximately \$25 million), facility exit costs (approximately \$10 million), as well as other reorganization costs (approximately \$10 million).

#### **Interest and Other Income, Net**

Interest and other income, net, for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were as follows (in millions):

	September 30, 2006	% of Net Revenue	September 30, 2005	% of Net Revenue	\$ Change	% Change
Three months ended	\$24	3%	\$ 13	2%	\$11	85%
Six months ended	\$45	4%	\$ 30	3%	\$15	50%

For the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, interest and other income, net, increased by \$11 million, or 85 percent, and \$15 million, or 50 percent, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended September 30, 2005. These increases were primarily due to an increase of \$10 million and \$12 million in the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, respectively, in interest income as a result of higher yields on our cash, cash equivalent and short-term investment balances in fiscal 2007.

#### **Income Taxes**

Income taxes for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were as follows (in millions):

	September		September		
	30,	Effective	30,	Effective	
	2006	Tax Rate	2005	Tax Rate	% Change
Three months ended	\$16	41.8%	\$ 9	15.0%	78%
Six months ended	\$ (1)	(2.3%)	\$ (13)	(80.0%)	92%

Our effective income tax rates were a provision of 41.8 percent and a benefit of 2.3 percent for the three and six months ended September 30, 2006, respectively. Because relatively small changes in our forecasted profitability for fiscal 2007 can significantly affect our projected annual effective tax rate, we believe our tax benefit rate of 2.3 percent for the six months ended September 30, 2006 is currently the most reliable estimate of our annual effective tax rate for fiscal 2007. Nevertheless, our quarterly tax rates for the remainder of fiscal 2007 are particularly dependent on our profitability and could fluctuate significantly.

In addition, our effective income tax rates for the remainder of fiscal 2007 and future periods will depend on a variety of factors, including changes in our business such as acquisitions and intercompany transactions (for example, the acquisition of and intercompany transactions relating to both Mythic and DICE), changes in our international structure, changes in the geographic location of business functions or assets, changes in the geographic mix of income, as well as changes in, or termination of, our agreements with tax authorities, valuation allowances, applicable accounting rules, applicable tax laws and regulations, rulings and interpretations thereof, developments in tax audit and other matters, and variations in the estimated and actual level of annual pre-tax income can affect the overall effective income tax rate for the remainder of fiscal 2007 and future fiscal periods. We incur certain tax expenses that

do not decline proportionately with declines in our consolidated income or increase in consolidated loss. As a result, in absolute dollar terms, our tax expense will have a greater influence on our effective tax rate at lower levels of pre-tax income than higher levels. In addition, at lower levels of pre-tax income or loss, our effective tax rate will be more volatile.

We historically have considered undistributed earnings of our foreign subsidiaries to be indefinitely reinvested and, accordingly, no U.S. taxes have been provided thereon.

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Interpretation (FIN) No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes An Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109. FIN No. 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in financial statements in accordance with SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. FIN No. 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return and provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. Under FIN No. 48, the evaluation

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of a tax position is a two-step process. The first step is a recognition process where we are required to determine whether it is more likely than not that a tax position will be sustained upon examination, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes, based on the technical merits of the position. In evaluating whether a tax position has met the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold, it is presumed that the position will be examined by the appropriate taxing authority that has full knowledge of all relevant information. The second step is a measurement process whereby a tax position that meets the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold is calculated to determine the amount of benefit to recognize in the financial statements. FIN No. 48 also requires new tabular reconciliation of the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits at the beginning and end of the reporting period. The provisions of FIN No. 48 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. As such, we are required to adopt it in our first quarter of fiscal year 2008. Any changes to our income taxes due to the adoption of FIN No. 48 are treated as the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle. We are evaluating what impact the adoption of FIN No. 48 will have on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements; however, FIN No. 48 could have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

# **Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Standards**

In February 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 155, Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments An Amendment of FASB Statements No. 133 and 140 . SFAS No. 155 (1) permits fair value measurement for any hybrid financial instrument that contains an embedded derivative that otherwise would require bifurcation, (2) clarifies that interest-only strips and principal-only strips are not subject to the requirements of SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, (3) establishes a requirement to evaluate interests in securitized financial assets to identify interests that are freestanding derivatives or that are hybrid financial instruments that contain an embedded derivative requiring bifurcation, (4) clarifies that concentrations of credit risk in the form of subordination are not embedded derivatives, and (5) amends SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities A Replacement of FASB Statement No. 125 to eliminate the prohibition on a qualifying special-purpose entity from holding a derivative financial instrument that pertains to a beneficial interest other than another derivative financial instrument. SFAS No. 155 is effective for all financial instruments acquired or issued for fiscal years beginning after September 15, 2006. We do not expect the adoption of SFAS No. 155 to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. In June 2006, the FASB ratified the consensus reached on Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) Issue No. 06-3, How Taxes Collected from Customers and Remitted to Governmental Authorities Should Be Presented in the Income Statement (That Is, Gross Versus Net Presentation) . The scope of EITF Issue No. 06-3 includes any transaction-based tax assessed by a governmental authority that is imposed concurrent with or subsequent to a revenue-producing transaction between a seller and a customer. The scope does not include taxes that are based on gross receipts or total revenues imposed during the inventory procurement process. Gross versus net income statement classification of that tax is an accounting policy decision and a voluntary change would be considered a change in accounting policy requiring the application of SFAS No. 154, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections . The following disclosures will be required for taxes within the scope of this issue that are significant in amount: (1) the accounting policy elected

impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In September 2006, the SEC issued SAB No. 108, Financial Statements Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements when Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statements. SAB No. 108 provides guidance on how prior year misstatements should be taken into consideration when quantifying misstatements in current year financial statements for purposes of determining whether the current year s financial statements are materially misstated. The impact of correcting all misstatements, including both the carryover and reversing effects of prior year misstatements, must be quantified on the current year financial statements. When a current year misstatement has been quantified, SAB No. 99, Financial Statements Materiality should be applied to determine whether the misstatement is material and should result in an adjustment to the financial statements. SAB No. 108 also discusses the implications of misstatements uncovered upon the application of SAB No. 108 in situations when a

for these taxes and (2) the amounts of the taxes reflected gross (as revenue) in the income statement on an interim and annual basis for all periods presented. The EITF Issue No. 06-3 ratified consensus is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2006. We do not expect the adoption of EITF Issue No. 06-3 to have a material

registrant has historically been using either the iron curtain approach or the rollover approach as described in the SAB. Registrants electing not to restate prior periods should reflect the effects of initially applying the guidance in Topic 1N in their annual financial statements covering the first fiscal year ending after November 15, 2006. We are evaluating what impact the adoption of SAB No. 108 will have on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* . SFAS No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value

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measurements. Fair value refers to the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the market in which the reporting entity transacts. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the information used to develop those assumptions. Fair value measurements would be separately disclosed by level within the fair value hierarchy. The provisions of SFAS No. 157 are effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007, and interim periods within those fiscal years. We do not expect the adoption of SFAS No. 157 to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In October 2006, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position (FSP) Financial Accounting Standard (FAS) No. 123(R)-5. FSP FAS No. 123(R)-5 addresses whether a modification of an instrument in connection with an equity restructuring should be considered a modification for purposes of applying FSP FAS No. 123(R)-1, *Classification and Measurement of Freestanding Financial Instruments Originally Issued in Exchange for Employee Services under FASB Statement No. 123(R)*. If (1) there is no increase in fair value of the award or the anti-dilution provision is not added to the terms of the award in contemplation of an equity restructuring, and (2) all holders of the same class of equity instruments are treated in the same manner, no change in recognition or measurement will result for instruments that were originally issued as employee compensation and then modified in connection with an equity restructuring that occurs when the holders are no longer employees. The provisions in FSP FAS No. 123(R)-5 are effective for the first reporting period beginning after October 10, 2006. We do not expect the adoption of FSP FAS No. 123(R)-5 to have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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# LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

	As of Septe	ember 30,	Incı	rease /
(In millions)	2006	2005	(Dec	crease)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,212	\$ 575	\$	637
Short-term investments	960	1,655		(695)
Marketable equity securities	204	182		22
Total	\$ 2,376	\$ 2,412	\$	(36)
Percentage of total assets	53%	64%		
	Six Mon	ths Ended		
	Septer	mber 30,	Incı	rease /
(In millions)	2006	2005	(Dec	crease)
Cash used in operating activities	\$ (44)	\$ (19)	\$	(25)
Cash used in investing activities	(75)	(16)		(59)
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	83	(649)		732
Effect of foreign exchange on cash and cash equivalents	6	(11)		17
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (30)	\$ (695)	\$	665

#### Changes in Cash Flow

During the six months ended September 30, 2006, we used \$44 million of cash from operating activities as compared to the use of \$19 million for the six months ended September 30, 2005. The increase in cash used in operating activities for the six months ended September 30, 2006 as compared to the six months ended September 30, 2005 resulted primarily from (1) an increase of \$24 million paid for income taxes, (2) \$16 million paid in connection with the settlement of certain employee-related litigation matters, and (3) \$15 million in acquisition-related restricted cash. These payments were partially offset by a decrease in prepaid royalties as compared to the prior year. We expect total cash flow from operating activities to decline in fiscal 2007.

For the six months ended September 30, 2006, we generated \$680 million of cash proceeds from maturities and sales of short-term investments, and \$85 million in proceeds from sales of common stock through our stock plans. Our primary use of cash in non-operating activities consisted of \$604 million used to purchase short-term investments, \$86 million in capital expenditures primarily related to investments in our worldwide development tools, technologies and equipment and the expansion of our Vancouver studio, as well as \$67 million for our Mythic acquisition. During the remainder of fiscal 2007, we anticipate making continued capital investments in our studios as well as investments in technologies to support development of products for the next-generation of consoles, online infrastructure and mobile platforms.

As of September 30, 2006, we owned 74 percent of Digital Illusions C.E. s ( DICE ) Class A common stock. In October 2006, we acquired all of the remaining minority interest in DICE for a total of \$24 million.

#### Short-term investments and marketable equity securities

	As of		Percentage	As	of	Percentage		
	September			Mar	rch			
	30,		of	31,		of		
	,	2006	Total	2006		Total	Decrease	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,212	56%	\$ 1	,242	55%	\$	(30)
Short-term investments		960	44%	1	,030	45%		(70)

Cash, cash equivalents and short-term

investments \$ 2,172 100% \$ 2,272 100% \$ (100)

The decrease in cash and cash equivalents was primarily due to \$604 million used to purchase short-term investments and \$86 million in capital expenditures, partially offset by \$680 million in proceeds received from the maturities and sales of short-term investments. Due to our mix of fixed and variable rate securities, our short-term investment portfolio is susceptible to changes

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in short-term interest rates. As of September 30, 2006, our short-term investments had gross unrealized losses of approximately \$1 million, or less than one percent of the total in short-term investments. From time to time, we may liquidate some or all of our short-term investments to fund operational needs or other activities, such as capital expenditures, business acquisitions or stock repurchase programs. Depending on which short-term investments we liquidate to fund these activities, we could recognize a portion, or all, of the gross unrealized losses.

Marketable equity securities increased to \$204 million as of September 30, 2006, from \$160 million as of March 31, 2006, due to an increase in the fair value of our investment in Ubisoft Entertainment.

#### Receivables, net

Our gross accounts receivable balances were \$439 million and \$431 million as of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006, respectively. The increase in our accounts receivable balance was expected due to higher sales volume in the second quarter of fiscal 2007 as compared to the fourth quarter of fiscal 2006. We expect our accounts receivable balance to increase during the three months ending December 31, 2006 based on our seasonal product release schedule. Reserves for sales returns, pricing allowances and doubtful accounts decreased in absolute dollars from \$232 million as of March 31, 2006 to \$172 million as of September 30, 2006. Reserves remained flat at 9 percent as a percentage of trailing nine month net revenue for both September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006. We believe these reserves are adequate based on historical experience and our current estimate of potential returns, pricing allowances and doubtful accounts.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories increased to \$67 million as of September 30, 2006, from \$61 million as of March 31, 2006. Other than *FIFA 07*, no single title represented more than \$4 million of inventory as of September 30, 2006.

#### Other current assets

Other current assets decreased to \$210 million as of September 30, 2006, from \$234 million as of March 31, 2006, primarily due to the collection of advertising credits owed to us by our vendors.

#### Accounts payable

Accounts payable increased to \$199 million as of September 30, 2006, from \$163 million as of March 31, 2006, primarily due to (1) higher sales volumes and higher related expenditures to support the seasonality of our business in the second quarter of fiscal 2007 as compared to the fourth quarter of fiscal 2006, and (2) investments in next-generation tools and technologies.

#### Accrued and other current liabilities

Our accrued and other current liabilities decreased to \$634 million as of September 30, 2006 from \$706 million as of March 31, 2006. The decrease was primarily due to (1) a decrease of \$30 million in accrued compensation and benefits, (2) \$16 million in payments made in connection with the settlement of certain employee-related litigation matters, and (3) \$14 million liabilities paid in connection with our JAMDAT acquisition. We anticipate our accrued and other current liabilities balance will increase during the three months ending December 31, 2006 primarily due to an increase in royalties payable.

# Deferred income taxes, net

Our long-term net deferred income tax liability decreased to \$13 million as of September 30, 2006 from \$29 million as of March 31, 2006 primarily due to adjustments related to our amortization of intangibles and stock-based compensation expensed in accordance with SFAS No. 123R.

#### **Financial Condition**

We believe that existing cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments, marketable equity securities and cash generated from operations will be sufficient to meet our operating requirements for at least the next twelve months, including working capital requirements, capital expenditures, and potential future acquisitions or strategic investments. We may choose at any time to raise additional capital to strengthen our financial position, facilitate expansion, pursue strategic acquisitions and investments or

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to take advantage of business opportunities as they arise. There can be no assurance, however, that such additional capital will be available to us on favorable terms, if at all, or that it will not result in substantial dilution to our existing stockholders.

The loan financing arrangements supporting our Redwood City headquarters leases with Keybank National Association, described in the Off-Balance Sheet Commitments section below, are scheduled to expire in July 2007. Upon expiration of the financing, we may request, on behalf of the lessor and subject to lender approval, up to two one-year extensions of the loan financing between the lessor and the lender. In the event the lessor's loan financing with the lenders is not extended, we may loan to the lessor approximately 90 percent of the financing, and require the lessor to extend the remainder through July 2009, otherwise the leases will terminate. Upon expiration of the leases, we may purchase the facilities for \$247 million, or arrange for a sale of the facilities to a third party. In the event of a sale to a third party, if the sale price is less than \$247 million, we will be obligated to reimburse the difference between the actual sale price and \$247 million, up to maximum of \$222 million, subject to certain provisions of the leases.

As of September 30, 2006, approximately \$692 million of our cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments and marketable equity securities that was generated from operations was domiciled in foreign tax jurisdictions. While we have no plans to repatriate these funds to the United States in the short term, if we choose to do so, we would accrue and pay additional taxes in connection with the repatriation.

We have a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 on file with the SEC. This shelf registration statement, which includes a base prospectus, allows us at any time to offer any combination of securities described in the prospectus in one or more offerings up to a total amount of \$2.0 billion. Unless otherwise specified in a prospectus supplement accompanying the base prospectus, we will use the net proceeds from the sale of any securities offered pursuant to the shelf registration statement for general corporate purposes, including for working capital, financing capital expenditures, research and development, marketing and distribution efforts and, if opportunities arise, for acquisitions or strategic alliances. Pending such uses, we may invest the net proceeds in interest-bearing securities. In addition, we may conduct concurrent or other financings at any time.

Our ability to maintain sufficient liquidity could be affected by various risks and uncertainties including, but not limited to, those related to customer demand and acceptance of our products on new platforms and new versions of our products on existing platforms, our ability to collect our accounts receivable as they become due, successfully achieving our product release schedules and attaining our forecasted sales objectives, the impact of competition, economic conditions in the United States and abroad, the seasonal and cyclical nature of our business and operating results, risks of product returns and the other risks described in the Risk Factors section, included in Part II, Item 1A of this report.

# **Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments**

#### Letters of Credit

In July 2002, we provided an irrevocable standby letter of credit to Nintendo of Europe, which we have amended on a number of occasions. The standby letter of credit, as amended, guarantees performance of our obligations to pay Nintendo of Europe for trade payables. As of September 30, 2006, the standby letter of credit, as amended, guaranteed our trade payable obligations to Nintendo of Europe for up to 20 million. As of September 30, 2006, 1 million was payable to Nintendo of Europe under the standby letter of credit, as amended.

In August 2003, we provided an irrevocable standby letter of credit to 300 California Associates II, LLC in replacement of our security deposit for office space. The standby letter of credit guarantees performance of our obligations to pay our lease commitment up to approximately \$1 million. The standby letter of credit expires in December 2006. As of September 30, 2006, we did not have a payable balance on this standby letter of credit.

#### Development, Celebrity, League and Content Licenses: Payments and Commitments

The products we produce in our studios are designed and created by our employee designers, artists, software programmers and by non-employee software developers (independent artists or third-party developers). We typically advance development funds to the independent artists and third-party developers during development of our games, usually in installment payments made upon the completion of specified development milestones. Contractually, these payments are generally considered advances against subsequent royalties on the sales of the products. These terms are

set forth in written agreements entered into with the independent artists and third-party developers.

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In addition, we have certain celebrity, league and content license contracts that contain minimum guarantee payments and marketing commitments that may not be dependent on any deliverables. Celebrities and organizations with whom we have contracts include: FIFA, FIFPRO Foundation, UEFA and FAPL (Football Association Premier League Limited) (professional soccer); NASCAR (stock car racing); National Basketball Association (professional basketball); PGA TOUR and Tiger Woods (professional golf); National Hockey League and NHL Players Association (professional hockey); Warner Bros. (Harry Potter, Batman and Superman); New Line Productions and Saul Zaentz Company (The Lord of the Rings); Red Bear Inc. (John Madden), National Football League Properties and PLAYERS Inc. (professional football); Collegiate Licensing Company (collegiate football, basketball and baseball); Simcoh (Def Jam); Viacom Consumer Products (The Godfather); ESPN (content in EA SPORTS<sup>TM</sup> games); and Twentieth Century Fox Licensing and Merchandising (The Simpsons). These developer and content license commitments represent the sum of (1) the cash payments due under non-royalty-bearing licenses and services agreements and (2) the minimum guaranteed payments and advances against royalties due under royalty-bearing licenses and services agreements, the majority of which are conditional upon performance by the counterparty. These minimum guarantee payments and any related marketing commitments are included in the table below.

The following table summarizes our minimum contractual obligations and commercial commitments as of September 30, 2006, and the effect we expect them to have on our liquidity and cash flow in future periods (in millions):

				Commercial						
		(	Contract		Comm	itments				
				Lett						
			De	veloper/		Credit,				
Fiscal Year			Li	censor			Ban	k and		
	Le	ases	Com	mitments			Ot	ther		
Ending March 31,	(	1)		(2)	Mar	Marketing		antees	Total	
2007 (remaining six months)	\$	31	\$	44	\$	27	\$	7	\$ 10	09
2008		48		162		30		1	2	41
2009		48		170		31			2	49
2010		35		165		31			2	31
2011		26		283		31			34	40
Thereafter		63		723		186			9′	72
Total	\$	251	\$	1,547	\$	336	\$	8	\$ 2,14	42

- (1) See discussion on operating leases in the Off-Balance Sheet Commitments section below for additional information.
- (2) Developer/licensor commitments include \$5 million of commitments to

developers or licensors that have been recorded in current and long-term liabilities and a corresponding amount in current and long-term assets in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2006 because payment is not contingent upon performance by the developer or licensor.

The lease commitments disclosed above include contractual rental commitments of \$21 million under real estate leases for unutilized office space resulting from our restructuring activities. These amounts, net of estimated future sub-lease income, were expensed in the periods of the related restructuring and are included in our accrued and other current liabilities reported on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2006. See Note 6 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

# **Related Party Transaction**

On June 24, 2002, we hired Warren C. Jenson as our Executive Vice President, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer and agreed to loan him \$4 million to be forgiven over four years based on his continuing employment. The loan did not bear interest. On June 24, 2004, pursuant to the terms of the loan agreement, we forgave \$2 million of the loan and provided Mr. Jenson approximately \$1.6 million to offset the tax implications of the forgiveness. On June 24, 2006, pursuant to the terms of the loan agreement, we forgave the remaining outstanding loan balance of \$2 million. No additional funds were provided to offset the tax implications of the forgiveness of the \$2 million balance.

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#### **OFF-BALANCE SHEET COMMITMENTS**

#### Lease Commitments and Residual Value Guarantees

We lease certain of our current facilities and equipment under non-cancelable operating lease agreements. We are required to pay property taxes, insurance and normal maintenance costs for certain of these facilities and will be required to pay any increases over the base year of these expenses on the remainder of our facilities. In February 1995, we entered into a build-to-suit lease ( Phase One Lease ) with a third-party lessor for our headquarters facilities in Redwood City, California ( Phase One Facilities ). The Phase One Facilities comprise a total of approximately 350,000 square feet and provide space for sales, marketing, administration and research and development functions. In July 2001, the lessor refinanced the Phase One Lease with Keybank National Association through July 2006. The Phase One Lease expires in January 2039, subject to early termination in the event the underlying financing between the lessor and its lenders is not extended. Subject to certain terms and conditions, upon termination of the lease, we may purchase the Phase One Facilities or arrange for the sale of the Phase One Facilities to a third party.

Pursuant to the terms of the Phase One Lease, we have an option to purchase the Phase One Facilities at any time for a purchase price of \$132 million. In the event of a sale to a third party, if the sale price is less than \$132 million, we will be obligated to reimburse the difference between the actual sale price and \$132 million, up to maximum of \$117 million, subject to certain provisions of the Phase One Lease, as amended.

On May 26, 2006, the lessor extended its loan financing underlying the Phase One Lease with its lenders through July 2007. We may request, on behalf of the lessor and subject to lender approval, up to two one-year extensions of the loan financing between the lessor and the lender. In the event the lessor s loan financing with the lenders is not extended, we may loan to the lessor approximately 90 percent of the financing, and require the lessor to extend the remainder through July 2009; otherwise the lease will terminate. We account for the Phase One Lease arrangement as an operating lease in accordance with SFAS No. 13, *Accounting for Leases*, as amended.

In December 2000, we entered into a second build-to-suit lease ( Phase Two Lease ) with Keybank National Association for a five and one-half year term beginning in December 2000 to expand our Redwood City, California headquarters facilities and develop adjacent property ( Phase Two Facilities ). Construction of the Phase Two Facilities was completed in June 2002. The Phase Two Facilities comprise a total of approximately 310,000 square feet and provide space for sales, marketing, administration and research and development functions. Subject to certain terms and conditions, upon termination of the lease, we may purchase the Phase Two Facilities or arrange for the sale of the Phase Two Facilities to a third party.

Pursuant to the terms of the Phase Two Lease, we have an option to purchase the Phase Two Facilities at any time for a purchase price of \$115 million. In the event of a sale to a third party, if the sale price is less than \$115 million, we will be obligated to reimburse the difference between the actual sale price and \$115 million, up to a maximum of \$105 million, subject to certain provisions of the Phase Two Lease, as amended.

On May 26, 2006, the lessor extended the Phase Two Lease through July 2009 subject to early termination in the event the underlying loan financing between the lessor and its lenders is not extended. Concurrently with the extension of the lease, the lessor extended the loan financing underlying the Phase Two Lease with its lenders through July 2007. We may request, on behalf of the lessor and subject to lender approval, up to two one-year extensions of the loan financing between the lessor and the lender. In the event the lessor s loan financing with the lenders is not extended, we may loan to the lessor approximately 90 percent of the financing, and require the lessor to extend the remainder through July 2009, otherwise the lease will terminate. We account for the Phase Two Lease arrangement as an operating lease in accordance with SFAS No. 13, as amended.

We believe that, as of September 30, 2006, the estimated fair values of both properties under these operating leases exceeded their respective guaranteed residual values.

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			Actual as of
Financial Covenants	Requiremen	nt	September 30, 2006
	equal to or		
Consolidated Net Worth (in millions)	greater than	\$2,310	\$3,591
	equal to or		
Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio	greater than	3.00	7.06
	equal to or less		
Total Consolidated Debt to Capital	than	60%	6.4%
Quick Q1 & Q2	equal to or		
Ratio -	greater than	1.00	6.29
Q3 & Q4	equal to or		
	greater than	1.75	N/A

#### Legal Proceedings

On February 14, 2005, an employment-related class action lawsuit, Hasty v. Electronic Arts Inc., was filed against the company in Superior Court in San Mateo, California. The complaint alleges that we improperly classified Engineers in California as exempt employees and seeks injunctive relief, unspecified monetary damages, interest and attorneys fees. On May 16, 2006, the court granted its preliminary approval of a settlement pursuant to which we agreed to make a lump sum payment of approximately \$15 million, to a third-party administrator to cover (a) all claims allegedly suffered by the class members, (b) plaintiffs attorneys fees, not to exceed 25% of the total settlement amount, (c) plaintiffs costs and expenses, (d) any incentive payments to the named plaintiffs that may be authorized by the court, and (e) all costs of administration of the settlement. On September 22, 2006, the court granted final approval of the settlement.

On September 14, 2006, we received an informal inquiry from the Securities and Exchange Commission requesting certain documents and information relating to our stock option grant practices from January 1, 1997 to the present. We intend to cooperate with all matters related to this request.

In addition, we are subject to other claims and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. We believe that any liability from any reasonably foreseeable disposition of such other claims and litigation, individually or in the aggregate, would not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

# **Director Indemnity Agreements**

We have entered into indemnification agreements with the members of our Board of Directors at the time they joined the Board to indemnify them to the extent permitted by law against any and all liabilities, costs, expenses, amounts paid in settlement and damages incurred by the directors as a result of any lawsuit, or any judicial, administrative or investigative proceeding in which the directors are sued or charged as a result of their service as members of our Board of Directors.

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

We are exposed to various market risks, including changes in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates, and market prices. Market risk is the potential loss arising from changes in market rates and market prices. We employ established policies and practices to manage these risks. Foreign exchange option and forward contracts are used to hedge anticipated or mitigate some existing exposures subject to foreign exchange risk as discussed below. We have not historically, nor do we currently, hedge our short-term investment portfolio. We do not consider our cash and cash equivalents to be exposed to significant interest rate risk because our cash and cash equivalent portfolio consists of highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. We also do not currently hedge our market price risk relating to our equity investments. We do not enter into derivatives or other financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

# Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

From time to time, we hedge a portion of our foreign currency risk related to forecasted foreign-currency-denominated sales and expense transactions by purchasing option contracts that generally have maturities of 15 months or less. These transactions are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges. The derivative assets associated with our hedging activities are recorded at fair value in other current assets in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The effective portion of gains or losses resulting from changes in fair value of these hedges is initially reported, net of tax, as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income in stockholders—equity and subsequently reclassified into net revenue or operating expenses, as appropriate in the period when the forecasted transaction is recorded. The ineffective portion of gains or losses resulting from changes in fair value, if any, is reported in each period in interest and other income, net, in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. Our hedging programs reduce, but do not entirely eliminate, the impact of currency exchange rate movements in revenue and operating expenses. As of September 30, 2006, we had foreign currency option contracts outstanding with a total fair value of \$1 million included in other current assets.

We utilize foreign exchange forward contracts to mitigate foreign currency risk associated with foreign-currency-denominated assets and liabilities, primarily intercompany receivables and payables. The forward contracts generally have a contractual term of approximately one month and are transacted near month-end. Therefore, the fair value of the forward contracts generally is not significant at each month-end. Our foreign exchange forward contracts are not designated as hedging instruments under SFAS No. 133 and are accounted for as derivatives whereby the fair value of the contracts are reported as other current assets or other current liabilities in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, and gains and losses from changes in fair value are reported in interest and other income, net. The gains and losses on these forward contracts generally offset the gains and losses on the underlying foreign-currency-denominated assets and liabilities, which are also reported in interest and other income, net, in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

As of September 30, 2006, we had forward foreign exchange contracts to purchase and sell approximately \$100 million in foreign currencies. Of this amount, \$96 million represented contracts to sell foreign currencies in exchange for U.S. dollars, \$4 million to sell foreign currencies in exchange for British pound sterling. The fair value of our forward contracts was immaterial as of September 30, 2006.

The counterparties to these forward and option contracts are creditworthy multinational commercial banks. The risks of counterparty nonperformance associated with these contracts are not considered to be material.

Notwithstanding our efforts to mitigate some foreign currency exchange rate risks, there can be no assurances that our hedging activities will adequately protect us against the risks associated with foreign currency fluctuations. As of September 30, 2006, a hypothetical adverse foreign currency exchange rate movement of 10 percent or 15 percent would result in potential loss in fair value of our option contracts of \$1 million in both scenarios. A hypothetical adverse foreign currency exchange rate movement of 10 percent or 15 percent would result in potential losses on our forward contracts of \$10 million and \$14 million, respectively, as of September 30, 2006. This sensitivity analysis assumes a parallel adverse shift in foreign currency exchange rates, which do not always move in the same direction. Actual results may differ materially.

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#### Interest Rate Risk

Our exposure to market risk from changes in interest rates relates primarily to our short-term investment portfolio. We manage our interest rate risk by maintaining an investment portfolio generally consisting of debt instruments of high credit quality and relatively short maturities. Additionally, the contractual terms of the securities do not permit the issuer to call, prepay or otherwise settle the securities at prices less than the stated par value of the securities. Our investments are held for purposes other than trading. Also, we do not use derivative financial instruments in our short-term investment portfolio.

As of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006, our short-term investments were classified as available-for-sale and, consequently, recorded at fair market value with unrealized gains or losses resulting from changes in fair value reported as a separate component of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of any tax effects, in stockholders equity. Our portfolio of short-term investments consisted of the following investment categories, summarized by fair value as of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006 (in millions):

	As	s of	A	As of
	Septe	ember		
	3	0,	Ma	rch 31,
	20	006	2	2006
Asset-backed and other debt securities	\$	373	\$	65
U.S. agency securities		244		575
Corporate bonds		222		178
U.S. Treasury securities		121		212
Total short-term investments	\$	960	\$	1,030

Notwithstanding our efforts to manage interest rate risks, there can be no assurance that we will be adequately protected against risks associated with interest rate fluctuations. At any time, a sharp change in interest rates could have a significant impact on the fair value of our investment portfolio. The following table presents the hypothetical changes in fair value in our short-term investment portfolio as of September 30, 2006, arising from potential changes in interest rates. The modeling technique estimates the change in fair value from immediate hypothetical parallel shifts in the yield curve of plus or minus 50 basis points (BPS), 100 BPS, and 150 BPS.

	Valuation of Securities Given an Interest Rate Decrease of X							r Value as of otember	Valuation of Securities Given an Interest Rate Increase of X					
(In millions)	Basis Points							30,			Basi	s Points	S	
	` `		(100 (50 BPS) BPS)		2006		50 BPS		100 BPS		150 BPS			
Asset-backed and other														
debt securities	\$	375	\$	374	\$	374	\$	373	\$	372	\$	372	\$	371
U.S. agency securities		250		248		246		244		241		239		237
Corporate bonds U.S. Treasury		228		226		224		222		221		219		217
securities		125		124		122		121		120		119		118
Total short-term investments	\$	978	\$	972	\$	966	\$	960	\$	954	\$	949	\$	943

Market Price Risk

The value of our equity investments in publicly traded companies are subject to market price volatility. As of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006, our marketable equity securities were classified as available-for-sale and, consequently, were recorded in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair market value with unrealized gains or losses reported as a separate component of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of any tax effects, in stockholders equity. The fair value of our marketable equity securities was \$204 million and \$160 million as of September 30, 2006 and March 31, 2006, respectively.

At any time, a sharp change in market prices in our investments in marketable equity securities could have a significant impact on the fair value of our investments. The following table presents the hypothetical changes in fair value in our marketable

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equity securities as of September 30, 2006, arising from changes in market prices plus or minus 25 percent, 50 percent and 75 percent.

	Valuation of Securities Given an X Percentage Decrease in Each						a	Value as of tember	Valuation of Securities Given an X  Percentage Increase in Each					
(In millions)	Stock's Market Price						30, Stock's Ma				Aarket F	rice		
	(75	5%)	(5	50%)	(2	25%)	2006		25%		50%		75%	
Marketable equity securities	\$	51	\$	102	\$	153 56	\$	204	\$	256	\$	307	\$	358

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#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

#### Definition and limitations of disclosure controls

Our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act )) are controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed under the Exchange Act, such as this report, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC s rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures are also designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our management evaluates these controls and procedures on an ongoing basis.

There are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures. These limitations include the possibility of human error, the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures and reasonable resource constraints. In addition, because we have designed our system of controls based on certain assumptions, which we believe are reasonable, about the likelihood of future events, our system of controls may not achieve its desired purpose under all possible future conditions. Accordingly, our disclosure controls and procedures provide reasonable assurance, but not absolute assurance, of achieving their objectives.

#### Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures

Our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, after evaluating the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, believe that as of the end of the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective in providing the requisite reasonable assurance that material information required to be disclosed in the reports that 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 is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding the required disclosure.

# Changes in internal control over financial reporting

During the quarter ended September 30, 2006, no changes occurred in our internal control over financial reporting that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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#### PART II OTHER INFORMATION

#### **Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

On February 14, 2005, an employment-related class action lawsuit, Hasty v. Electronic Arts Inc., was filed against the company in Superior Court in San Mateo, California. The complaint alleges that we improperly classified Engineers in California as exempt employees and seeks injunctive relief, unspecified monetary damages, interest and attorneys fees. On May 16, 2006, the court granted its preliminary approval of a settlement pursuant to which we agreed to make a lump sum payment of approximately \$15 million, to a third-party administrator to cover (a) all claims allegedly suffered by the class members, (b) plaintiffs attorneys fees, not to exceed 25% of the total settlement amount, (c) plaintiffs costs and expenses, (d) any incentive payments to the named plaintiffs that may be authorized by the court, and (e) all costs of administration of the settlement. On September 22, 2006, the court granted final approval of the settlement.

On September 14, 2006, we received an informal inquiry from the Securities and Exchange Commission requesting certain documents and information relating to our stock option grant practices from January 1, 1997 to the present. We intend to cooperate with all matters related to this request.

In addition, we are subject to other claims and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. We believe that any liability from any reasonably foreseeable disposition of such other claims and litigation, individually or in the aggregate, would not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

Our business is subject to many risks and uncertainties, which may affect our future financial performance. If any of the events or circumstances described below occurs, our business and financial performance could be harmed, our actual results could differ materially from our expectations and the market value of our stock could decline. The risks and uncertainties discussed below are not the only ones we face. There may be additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently do not believe are material that may harm our business and financial performance.

Our business is highly dependent on the success, timely release and availability of new video game platforms, on the continued availability of existing video game platforms, as well as our ability to develop commercially successful products for these platforms.

We derive most of our revenue from the sale of products for play on video game platforms manufactured by third parties, such as Sony s PlayStation 2 and Microsoft s Xbox and Xbox 360. The success of our business is driven in large part by the availability of an adequate supply of current-generation video game platforms (such as the PlayStation 2), the timely release, adequate supply, and, increasingly, the success of new video game hardware systems (such as the Xbox 360, Sony s PlayStation 3 and the Nintendo Wii), our ability to accurately predict which platforms will be successful in the marketplace, and our ability to develop commercially successful products for these platforms. We must make product development decisions and commit significant resources well in advance of the anticipated introduction of a new platform. A new platform for which we are developing products may be delayed, may not succeed or may have a shorter life cycle than anticipated. Alternatively, a platform for which we have not devoted significant resources could be more successful than we had initially anticipated, causing us to miss out on a meaningful revenue opportunity. If the platforms for which we are developing products are not released when anticipated, are not available in adequate quantities to meet consumer demand or are lower than our expectations, or do not attain wide market acceptance, our revenue will suffer, we may be unable to fully recover the investments we have made in developing our products, and our financial performance will be harmed.

Our industry is cyclical and is in the midst of a transition period heading into the next cycle. During the transition, we expect our costs to continue to increase, we may experience a decline in sales as consumers anticipate and adopt next-generation products and our operating results may suffer and become more difficult to predict.

Video game platforms have historically had a life cycle of four to six years, which causes the video game software market to be cyclical as well. Sony s PlayStation 2 was introduced in 2000 and Microsoft s Xbox and the Nintendo GameCube were introduced in 2001. Microsoft launched the Xbox 360 in November 2005. We expect Sony to introduce the PlayStation 3 beginning in November 2006 in North America and Japan and continuing through spring

2007 in Europe and elsewhere. We expect Nintendo to introduce the Wii in November in North America and in December in Japan and Europe. We refer to

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Microsoft s Xbox 360, Sony s PlayStation 3 and Nintendo s Wii as next-generation platforms. As a result, we believe that the interactive entertainment industry is in the midst of a transition stage leading into the next cycle. We have incurred and expect to continue to incur increased costs during the transition to next-generation platforms as we have continued to develop and market new titles for certain current-generation video game platforms while also making significant investments in products for the next-generation platforms. Moreover, we expect development costs for next-generation video games to be greater on a per-title basis than development costs for current-generation video games.

We also expect that, as the current generation of platforms reaches the end of its cycle and next-generation platforms are introduced into the market, sales of video games for current-generation platforms will continue to decline as consumers replace their current-generation platforms with next-generation platforms, or defer game software purchases until they are able to purchase a next-generation platform. This decline in current-generation product sales may not be offset by increased sales of products for the new platforms. For example, following the launch of Sony s PlayStation 2 platform, we experienced a significant decline in revenue from sales of products for Sony s older PlayStation game console, which was not immediately offset by revenue generated from sales of products for the PlayStation 2. More recently, we have seen a sharp decrease in sales of titles for the Xbox following the launch of the Xbox 360. In addition, during the transition, we expect our operating results to be more volatile and difficult to predict, which could cause our stock price to fluctuate significantly.

# We expect the average price of current-generation titles to continue to decline.

As a result of the transition to next-generation platforms, a more value-oriented consumer base, a greater number of current-generation titles being published, and significant pricing pressure from our competitors, we have experienced a decrease in the average price of our titles for current-generation platforms. As the interactive entertainment industry continues to transition to next-generation platforms, we expect few, if any, current-generation titles will be able to command premium price points, and we expect that even these titles will be subject to price reductions at an earlier point in their sales cycle than we have seen in prior years. We expect the average price of current-generation titles to continue to decline, which will have a negative effect on our margins and operating results.

Our platform licensors set the royalty rates and other fees that we must pay to publish games for their platforms, and therefore have significant influence on our costs. If one or more of the platform licensors adopt a different fee structure for future game consoles or we are unable to obtain such licenses, our profitability will be materially impacted.

Microsoft launched the Xbox 360 in November 2005 and we expect Sony and Nintendo to introduce the PlayStation 3 and Wii, respectively, in November 2006. In order to publish products for a new video game player, we must take a license from the platform licensor, which gives the platform licensor the opportunity to set the fee structure that we must pay in order to publish games for that platform.

Similarly, certain platform licensors have retained the flexibility to change their fee structures for online gameplay and features for their consoles. The control that platform licensors have over the fee structures for their future platforms and online access makes it difficult for us to predict our costs, profitability and impact on margins. It is also possible that platform licensors may choose not to renew our licenses. Because publishing products for video game consoles is the largest portion of our business, any increase in fee structures or failure to secure a license relationship would significantly harm our ability to generate revenues and/or profits.

# If we do not consistently meet our product development schedules, our operating results will be adversely affected.

Our business is highly seasonal, with the highest levels of consumer demand and a significant percentage of our revenue occurring in the December quarter. In addition, we seek to release many of our products in conjunction with specific events, such as the release of a related movie or the beginning of a sports season or major sporting event. If we miss these key selling periods for any reason, including product delays or delayed introduction of a new platform for which we have developed products, our sales will suffer disproportionately. Likewise, if a key event to which our product release schedule is tied were to be delayed or cancelled, our sales would also suffer disproportionately. Our ability to meet product development schedules is affected by a number of factors, including the creative processes involved, the coordination of large and sometimes geographically dispersed development teams required by the

increasing complexity of our products and the platforms for which they are developed, and the need to fine-tune our products prior to their release. We have experienced development delays for our products in the past, which caused us to push back release dates. In the future, any failure to meet anticipated production or

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release schedules would likely result in a delay of revenue and/or possibly a significant shortfall in our revenue, harm our profitability, and cause our operating results to be materially different than anticipated.

Our business is subject to risks generally associated with the entertainment industry, any of which could significantly harm our operating results.

Our business is subject to risks that are generally associated with the entertainment industry, many of which are beyond our control. These risks could negatively impact our operating results and include: the popularity, price and timing of our games and the platforms on which they are played; economic conditions that adversely affect discretionary consumer spending; changes in consumer demographics; the availability and popularity of other forms of entertainment; and critical reviews and public tastes and preferences, which may change rapidly and cannot necessarily be predicted.

Technology changes rapidly in our business and if we fail to anticipate or successfully implement new technologies or the manner in which people play our games, the quality, timeliness and competitiveness of our products and services will suffer.

Rapid technology changes in our industry require us to anticipate, sometimes years in advance, which technologies we must implement and take advantage of in order to make our products and services competitive in the market. Therefore, we usually start our product development with a range of technical development goals that we hope to be able to achieve. We may not be able to achieve these goals, or our competition may be able to achieve them more quickly and effectively than we can. In either case, our products and services may be technologically inferior to our competitors, less appealing to consumers, or both. If we cannot achieve our technology goals within the original development schedule of our products and services, then we may delay their release until these technology goals can be achieved, which may delay or reduce revenue and increase our development expenses. Alternatively, we may increase the resources employed in research and development in an attempt to accelerate our development of new technologies, either to preserve our product or service launch schedule or to keep up with our competition, which would increase our development expenses.

Our business is intensely competitive and hit driven. If we do not continue to deliver hit products and services or if consumers prefer our competitors products or services over our own, our operating results could suffer.

Competition in our industry is intense and we expect new competitors to continue to emerge in the United States and abroad. While many new products and services are regularly introduced, only a relatively small number of hit titles accounts for a significant portion of total revenue in our industry. Hit products or services offered by our competitors may take a larger share of consumer spending than we anticipate, which could cause revenue generated from our products and services to fall below expectations. If our competitors develop more successful products or services, offer competitive products or services at lower price points or based on payment models perceived as offering a better value proposition (such as pay-for-play or subscription-based models), or if we do not continue to develop consistently high-quality and well-received products and services, our revenue, margins, and profitability will decline.

If we are unable to maintain or acquire licenses to intellectual property, we will publish fewer hit titles and our revenue, profitability and cash flows will decline. Competition for these licenses may make them more expensive and increase our costs.

Many of our products are based on or incorporate intellectual property owned by others. For example, our EA SPORTS products include rights licensed from major sports leagues and players—associations. Similarly, many of our other hit franchises, such as The Godfather, Harry Potter and Lord of the Rings, are based on key film and literary licenses. Competition for these licenses is intense. If we are unable to maintain these licenses or obtain additional licenses with significant commercial value, our revenues and profitability will decline significantly. Competition for these licenses may also drive up the advances, guarantees and royalties that we must pay to the licensor, which could significantly increase our costs.

If patent claims continue to be asserted against us, we may be unable to sustain our current business models or profits, or we may be precluded from pursuing new business opportunities in the future.

Many patents have been issued that may apply to widely-used game technologies, or to potential new modes of delivering, playing or monetizing game software products. For example, infringement claims under many issued patents are now being asserted against interactive software or online game sites. Several such claims have been

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substantial expenses in evaluating and defending against such claims, regardless of the merits of the claims. In the event that there is a determination that we have infringed a third-party patent, we could incur significant monetary liability and be prevented from using the rights in the future, which could negatively impact our operating results. We may also discover that future opportunities to provide new and innovative modes of game play and game delivery to consumers may be precluded by existing patents that we are unable to license on reasonable terms.

# Other intellectual property claims may increase our product costs or require us to cease selling affected products.

Many of our products include extremely realistic graphical images, and we expect that as technology continues to advance, images will become even more realistic. Some of the images and other content are based on real-world examples that may inadvertently infringe upon the intellectual property rights of others. Although we believe that we make reasonable efforts to ensure that our products do not violate the intellectual property rights of others, it is possible that third parties still may claim infringement. From time to time, we receive communications from third parties regarding such claims. Existing or future infringement claims against us, whether valid or not, may be time consuming and expensive to defend. Such claims or litigations could require us to stop selling the affected products, redesign those products to avoid infringement, or obtain a license, all of which would be costly and harm our business.

# From time to time we may become involved in other legal proceedings which could adversely affect us.

We are currently, and from time to time in the future may become, subject to other legal proceedings, claims and litigation, which could be expensive, lengthy, and disruptive to normal business operations. In addition, the outcome of any legal proceedings, claims or litigation may be difficult to predict and could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, or financial condition. For further information regarding certain legal proceedings, claims and litigation in which we are currently involved, see Part II Item 1. Legal Proceedings above.

Our business, our products and our distribution are subject to increasing regulation of content, consumer privacy, distribution and online hosting and delivery in the key territories in which we conduct business. If we do not successfully respond to these regulations, our business may suffer.

Legislation is continually being introduced that may affect both the content of our products and their distribution. For example, data and consumer protection laws in the United States and Europe impose various restrictions on our web sites. Those rules vary by territory although the Internet recognizes no geographical boundaries. Other countries, such as Germany, have adopted laws regulating content both in packaged games and those transmitted over the Internet that are stricter than current United States laws. In the United States, the federal and several state governments are continually considering content restrictions on products such as ours, as well as restrictions on distribution of such products. For example, recent legislation has been adopted in several states, and could be proposed at the federal level, that prohibits the sale of certain games (e.g., violent games or those with M (Mature) or AO (Adults Only) ratings) to minors. Any one or more of these factors could harm our business by limiting the products we are able to offer to our customers, by limiting the size of the potential market for our products, and by requiring additional differentiation between products for different territories to address varying regulations. This additional product differentiation could be costly.

# If one or more of our titles were found to contain hidden, objectionable content, our business could suffer.

Throughout the history of our industry, many video games have been designed to include certain hidden content and gameplay features that are accessible through the use of in-game cheat codes or other technological means that are intended to enhance the gameplay experience. However, in several recent cases, hidden content or features have been found to be included in other publishers products by an employee who was not authorized to do so or by an outside developer without the knowledge of the publisher. From time to time, some hidden content and features have contained profanity, graphic violence and sexually explicit or otherwise objectionable material. In a few cases, the Entertainment Software Ratings Board (ESRB) has reacted to discoveries of hidden content and features by reviewing the rating that was originally assigned to the product, requiring the publisher to change the game packaging and/or fining the publisher. Retailers have on occasion reacted to the discovery of such hidden content by removing these games from their shelves, refusing to sell them, and demanding that their publishers accept them as product returns. Likewise, consumers have reacted to the revelation of hidden content by refusing to purchase such games, demanding refunds for games they we already purchased, and refraining from buying other games published by the company

whose game contained the objectionable material.

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We have implemented preventative measures designed to reduce the possibility of hidden, objectionable content from appearing in the video games we publish. Nonetheless, these preventative measures are subject to human error, circumvention, overriding, and reasonable resource constraints. If a video game we published were found to contain hidden, objectionable content, the ESRB could demand that we recall a game and change its packaging to reflect a revised rating, retailers could refuse to sell it and demand we accept the return of any unsold copies or returns from customers, and consumers could refuse to buy it or demand that we refund their money. This could have a material negative impact on our operating results and financial condition. In addition, our reputation could be harmed, which could impact sales of other video games we sell. If any of these consequences were to occur, our business and financial performance could be significantly harmed.

# If we ship defective products, our operating results could suffer.

Products such as ours are extremely complex software programs, and are difficult to develop, manufacture and distribute. We have quality controls in place to detect defects in the software, media and packaging of our products before they are released. Nonetheless, these quality controls are subject to human error, overriding, and reasonable resource constraints. Therefore, these quality controls and preventative measures may not be effective in detecting defects in our products before they have been reproduced and released into the marketplace. In such an event, we could be required to recall a product, or we may find it necessary to voluntarily recall a product, and/or scrap defective inventory, which could significantly harm our business and operating results.

If we do not continue to attract and retain key personnel, we will be unable to effectively conduct our business. In addition, compensation-related changes in accounting requirements, as well as evolving legal and operational factors, could have a significant impact on our expenses, financial controls and operating results.

The market for technical, creative, marketing and other personnel essential to the development and marketing of our products and management of our businesses is extremely competitive. Our leading position within the interactive entertainment industry makes us a prime target for recruiting of executives and key creative talent. If we cannot successfully recruit and retain the employees we need, or replace key employees following their departure, our ability to develop and manage our businesses will be impaired.

We annually review and evaluate with the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors the compensation and benefits that we offer our employees to ensure that we are able to attract and retain our talent. Within our regular review, we have considered recent changes in the accounting treatment of stock options, the competitive market for technical, creative, marketing and other personnel, and the evolving nature of job functions within our studios, marketing organizations and other areas of the business. Any changes we make to our compensation programs could result in increased expenses and have a significant impact on our operating results.

Our platform licensors are our chief competitors and frequently control the manufacturing of and/or access to our video game products. If they do not approve our products, we will be unable to ship to our customers.

Our agreements with hardware licensors (such as Sony for the PlayStation 2, Microsoft for the Xbox and Xbox 360, and Nintendo for the Nintendo GameCube) typically give significant control to the licensor over the approval and manufacturing of our products, which could, in certain circumstances, leave us unable to get our products approved, manufactured and shipped to customers. These hardware licensors are also our chief competitors. In most events, control of the approval and manufacturing process by the platform licensors increases both our manufacturing lead times and costs as compared to those we can achieve independently. While we believe that our relationships with our hardware licensors are currently good, the potential for these licensors to delay or refuse to approve or manufacture our products exists. Such occurrences would harm our business and our financial performance.

We also require compatibility code and the consent of Microsoft, Sony and Nintendo in order to include online capabilities in our products for their respective platforms. As online capabilities for video game platforms become more significant, Microsoft, Sony and Nintendo could restrict the manner in which we provide online capabilities for our console platform products. If Microsoft, Sony or Nintendo refused to approve our products with online capabilities or significantly impacted the financial terms on which these services are offered to our customers, our business could be harmed.

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#### Our international net revenue is subject to currency fluctuations.

For the six months ended September 30, 2006, international net revenue comprised 40 percent of our total net revenue. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006, international net revenue comprised 46 percent of our total net revenue. We expect foreign sales to continue to account for a significant portion of our total net revenue. Such sales may be subject to unexpected regulatory requirements, tariffs and other barriers. Additionally, foreign sales are primarily made in local currencies, which may fluctuate against the U.S. dollar. While we utilize foreign exchange forward contracts to mitigate some foreign currency risk associated with foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities (primarily certain intercompany receivables and payables) and, from time to time, foreign currency option contracts to hedge foreign currency forecasted transactions (primarily related to a portion of the revenue and expenses denominated in foreign currency generated by our operational subsidiaries), our results of operations, including our reported net revenue and net income, and financial condition would be adversely affected by unfavorable foreign currency fluctuations, particularly the Euro, British pound sterling and Canadian dollar.

# Changes in our tax rates or exposure to additional tax liabilities could adversely affect our operating results and financial condition.

We are subject to income taxes in the United States and in various foreign jurisdictions. Significant judgment is required in determining our worldwide provision for income taxes, and, in the ordinary course of our business, there are many transactions and calculations where the ultimate tax determination is uncertain.

We are also required to estimate what our taxes will be in the future. Although we believe our tax estimates are reasonable, the estimate process and the applicable law are inherently uncertain, and our estimates are not binding on tax authorities. Our effective tax rate could be adversely affected by changes in our business, including the mix of earnings in countries with differing statutory tax rates, changes in the elections we make, changes in applicable tax laws as well as other factors. Further, our tax determinations are regularly subject to audit by tax authorities and developments in those audits could adversely affect our income tax provision. Should our ultimate tax liability exceed our estimates, our income tax provision and net income could be materially affected.

We incur certain tax expenses that do not decline proportionately with declines in our consolidated pre-tax income. As a result, in absolute dollar terms, our tax expense will have a greater influence on our effective tax rate at lower levels of pre-tax income than higher levels. In addition, at lower levels of pre-tax income, our effective tax rate will be more volatile.

We are also required to pay taxes other than income taxes, such as payroll, sales, use, value-added, net worth, property and goods and services taxes, in both the United States and various foreign jurisdictions. We are regularly under examination by tax authorities with respect to these non-income taxes. There can be no assurance that the outcomes from these examinations, changes in our business or changes in applicable tax rules will not have an adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition.

# Changes in our worldwide operating structure could have adverse tax consequences.

As we expand our international operations and implement changes to our operating structure or undertake intercompany transactions in light of changing tax laws, expiring rulings, acquisitions and our current and anticipated business and operational requirements, our tax expense could increase. For example, in the second and fourth quarters of fiscal 2006, we incurred additional income taxes resulting from certain intercompany transactions.

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2006, we repatriated \$375 million under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004. As a result, we recorded an additional one-time tax expense in fiscal 2006 of \$17 million.

In our fiscal year 2007, we began to recognize expense for stock-based compensation related to our employee equity compensation and employee stock purchase programs. The recognition of this expense will significantly lower our reported net income (or increase our reported net loss).

Beginning in our current fiscal year, we adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 123 (revised 2004) (SFAS No. 123R), Share-Based Payment, which requires us to recognize compensation expense for all stock-based compensation based on estimated fair values. As a result, beginning with our first quarter of fiscal 2007, our operating results contain a charge for stock-based compensation related to the equity-based compensation we provide to our employees, as well

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as stock purchases under our 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan. This expense is in addition to the stock-based compensation expense we have recognized in prior periods related to restricted stock unit grants, acquisitions and other grants. The stock-based compensation charges we incur depend on the number of equity-based awards we grant, the number of shares of common stock we sell under our 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as well as a number of estimates and variables such as estimated forfeiture rates, the trading price and volatility of our common stock, the expected term of our options, and interest rates. As a result, our stock-based compensation charges can vary significantly from period to period. Going forward, our adoption of SFAS No. 123R will continue to significantly lower our reported net income (or increase our reported net loss), which could have an adverse impact on the trading price of our common stock.

# Our reported financial results could be adversely affected by changes in financial accounting standards or by the application of existing or future accounting standards to our business as it evolves.

As a result of the enactment of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the review of accounting policies by the SEC and national and international accounting standards bodies, the frequency of accounting policy changes may accelerate. For example, accounting policies affecting software revenue recognition have been the subject of frequent interpretations, which could significantly affect the way we account for revenue related to our products and services. It is likely that, as the industry transitions to the next generation of consoles, a more significant portion of our business could be generated through online services and, as a result, we could be required to recognize the related revenue over an extended period of time rather than up front and all at once. For example, if we are unable to determine the fair value of the free (to the consumer) online services we include in our packaged goods products, we would be required to recognize the revenue from the sale of the packaged goods ratably over the entire online service period. In addition, the rules for tax accounting have recently been changed. In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Interpretation (FIN) No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes - An Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109, which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in financial statements in accordance with SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes (see Note 4 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements). We are evaluating what impact the adoption of FIN No. 48 will have on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. As we enhance, expand and diversify our business and product offerings, the application of existing or future financial accounting standards, particularly those relating to the way we account for revenue and taxes, could have a significant adverse effect on our reported results although not necessarily on our cash flows.

It is likely that, as the industry transitions to the next generation of consoles, a more significant portion of our business could be generated through online services and, as a result, we would recognize the related revenue over an extended period of time rather than up front and all at once.

# The majority of our sales are made to a relatively small number of key customers. If these customers reduce their purchases of our products or become unable to pay for them, our business could be harmed.

In the quarter ended September 30, 2006, over 70 percent of our U.S. sales were made to seven key customers. In Europe, our top ten customers accounted for approximately 31 percent of our sales in that territory during the six months ended September 30, 2006. Worldwide, we had direct sales to two customers, GameStop Corp. and Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., which represented approximately 14 percent and 13 percent, respectively, of total net revenue in the six months ended September 30, 2006. Though our products are available to consumers through a variety of retailers, the concentration of our sales in one, or a few, large customers could lead to a short-term disruption in our sales if one or more of these customers significantly reduced their purchases or ceased to carry our products, and could make us more vulnerable to collection risk if one or more of these large customers became unable to pay for our products. Additionally, our receivables from these large customers increase significantly in the December quarter as they stock up for the holiday selling season. Also, having such a large portion of our total net revenue concentrated in a few customers reduces our negotiating leverage with these customers.

# Acquisitions, investments and other strategic transactions could result in operating difficulties, dilution to our investors and other negative consequences.

We have engaged in, evaluated, and expect to continue to engage in and evaluate, a wide array of potential strategic transactions, including (i) acquisitions of companies, businesses, intellectual properties, and other assets, and

(ii) investments in new interactive entertainment businesses (for example, online and mobile games). Any of these strategic transactions could be material to our financial condition and results of operations. Although we regularly search for opportunities to engage in strategic transactions, we may not be successful in identifying suitable opportunities. We may not be able to consummate potential acquisitions or investments or an acquisition or investment may not enhance our business or may decrease rather than

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increase our earnings. In addition, the process of integrating an acquired company or business, or successfully exploiting acquired intellectual property or other assets, could divert a significant amount of our management s time and focus and may create unforeseen operating difficulties and expenditures. Additional risks we face include:

The need to implement or remediate controls, procedures and policies appropriate for a public company in an acquired company that, prior to the acquisition, lacked these controls, procedures and policies,

Cultural challenges associated with integrating employees from an acquired company or business into our organization,

Retaining key employees from the businesses we acquire,

The need to integrate an acquired company s accounting, management information, human resource and other administrative systems to permit effective management, and

To the extent that we engage in strategic transactions outside of the United States, we face additional risks, including risks related to integration of operations across different cultures and languages, currency risks and the particular economic, political and regulatory risks associated with specific countries.

Future acquisitions and investments could involve the issuance of our equity securities, potentially diluting our existing stockholders, the incurrence of debt, contingent liabilities or amortization expenses, write-offs of goodwill, intangibles, or acquired in-process technology, or other increased expenses, any of which could harm our financial condition. Our stockholders may not have the opportunity to review, vote on or evaluate future acquisitions or investments.

# Our products are subject to the threat of piracy by a variety of organizations and individuals. If we are not successful in combating and preventing piracy, our sales and profitability could be harmed significantly.

In many countries around the world, more pirated copies of our products are sold than legitimate copies. Though we believe piracy has not had a material impact on our operating results to date, highly organized pirate operations have been expanding globally. In addition, the proliferation of technology designed to circumvent the protection measures we use in our products, the availability of broadband access to the Internet, the ability to download pirated copies of our games from various Internet sites, and the widespread proliferation of Internet cafes using pirated copies of our products, all have contributed to ongoing and expanding piracy. Though we take steps to make the unauthorized copying and distribution of our products more difficult, as do the manufacturers of consoles on which our games are played, neither our efforts nor those of the console manufacturers may be successful in controlling the piracy of our products. This could have a negative effect on our growth and profitability in the future.

# Our stock price has been volatile and may continue to fluctuate significantly.

The market price of our common stock historically has been, and we expect will continue to be, subject to significant fluctuations. These fluctuations may be due to factors specific to us (including those discussed in the risk factors above as well as others not currently known to us or that we currently do not believe are material), to changes in securities analysts—earnings estimates or ratings, to our results or future financial guidance falling below our expectations and analysts—and investors—expectations, to factors affecting the computer, software, Internet, entertainment, media or electronics industries, or to national or international economic conditions.

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#### Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

At our Annual Meeting of Stockholders, held on July 27, 2006, our stockholders elected the following individuals to the Board of Directors for one-year terms:

	For	Withheld
M. Richard Asher	269,612,228	6,916,064
Leonard S. Coleman	272,845,046	3,683,246
Gary M. Kusin	270,937,502	5,590,790
Gregory B. Maffei	274,427,940	2,100,352
Timothy Mott	194,694,181	81,834,111
Vivek Paul	274,407,072	2,121,220
Lawrence F. Probst III	270,660,649	5,867,643
Richard A. Simonson	274,476,494	2,051,798
Linda J. Srere	266,762,434	9,765,858

In addition, the following matters were voted on and approved by the stockholders:

1. A voluntary program (the Exchange Program ) that would permit our eligible employees to exchange certain outstanding stock options that are significantly underwater (that is, the exercise price is greater than the stock price) for a lesser number of shares of restricted stock or restricted stock units to be granted under our 2000 Equity Incentive Plan (Equity Plan).

For	Against	Abstain	<b>Broker Non-vote</b>
198,119,467	46,784,260	1,711,274	29,913,291

2. An amendment to our Equity Plan to (a) increase by 11 million shares the limit on the total number of shares underlying awards of restricted stock and restricted stock units that may be granted under the Equity Plan from 4 million to 15 million shares, and (b) to limit the number of shares subject to options surrendered and cancelled in the Exchange Program that will again become available for issuance under the Equity Plan to 7 million plus the number of shares necessary for the issuance of the restricted stock rights to be granted in connection with the Exchange Program.

For	Against	Abstain	<b>Broker Non-vote</b>
185,650,796	59,119,646	1,844,559	29,913,291

3. An amendment to our 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase by 1,500,000 the number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance thereunder.

	For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non-vote
	202,945,066	42,013,407	1,656,528	29,913,291
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4. Ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2007.

For	Against	Abstain	<b>Broker Non-vote</b>
269,588,778	5,324,823	1,614,691	
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# Item 6. Exhibits

The following exhibits (other than exhibits 32.1 and 32.2, which are furnished with this report) are filed as part of this report:

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15.1	Awareness Letter of KPMG LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.		
31.1	Certification of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.		
31.2	Certification of Executive Vice President, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.		
Additional exhibits furnished with this report:			
32.1	Certification of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.		
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#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

ELECTRONIC ARTS INC.

(Registrant)

/s/ Warren C. Jenson

DATED: WARREN C. JENSON November 6, 2006

Executive Vice President,

Chief Financial and Administrative

Officer

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