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Anil Singhal, President and CEO

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Safe Harbor & Non-GAAP Financial Metrics

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Forward Looking Statements:
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CEO Perspective
Anil Singhal
Co-Founder, President and CEO
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NetScout Highlights

Very strong Q2

Reaffirm FY15 guidance

Revenue of \$450m-\$465m

Non-GAAP EPS of \$1.74 per
share to \$1.81 per share

Acquisition of Danaher's
Communications Business
Financial Highlights

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4 Key Questions about NetScout's Acquisition of
Danaher's Communication Business

1.

What is the growth profile of the businesses being
acquired?

2.

How do Tektronix and NetScout businesses

complement each other?

3.

Are we biting off too much?

4.

What synergies are possible?

Understanding the unique benefits of this acquisition.

Understanding the unique benefits of this acquisition.

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1a. Danaher's Communications Business

Track record of growth

Targeting markets
currently growing in the
mid-single digit to low

double digit range

Each business is
profitable with upside
Better Access to Service Providers
Jump Starting our Cyber Security Initiative
Broader Access in Enterprise

HQ: Plano, Texas

Leading provider of SP network monitoring solutions

125+ SP customers

4,000+ probes deployed worldwide, monitoring 500,000+ calls
per second

HQ: Burlington, MA

Leading provider of network DDoS attack detection and
mitigation for SP and Enterprise networks

300+ SP customers

Analyzes over 80TB/second of traffic worldwide

HQ: Everett, WA

Leading provider of network deployment and installation tools
for SP and Enterprise installers

1,000s of customers

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1b. A Closer Look

~50% of total revenue

~25% of total revenue

~25% of total revenue

It has consistently performed in the high-single digit revenue growth range.

A challenging 2014

Orders have turned positive

A growth outlook for 2015 with product revenue anticipated to reach the upper single digit growth rates

Track record of generating low double-digit growth since acquisition by Danaher in mid-2010

Strong base of both service provider and enterprise customers

We believe that Arbor's product revenue will grow in the combined business around the mid-teens

Complementary to NetScout

Reported overall growth in the mid to upper single digits

Product revenue positioned for continued growth in the mid to upper single digits over the coming years

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2. Top-line synergy and opportunities

Primary capabilities of Tektronix Communications (troubleshooting) and NetScout (monitoring) are very complementary and both are needed by service provider

Better positioned for future technology turns with a broader range

of service providers

Extend our reach into new, higher growth adjacent markets

Cyber Intelligence and Radio Access Networks, WiFi, BI

Expanding our customer base and geographic footprint

Opportunity with Fluke in the mid-tier of the market with complementary vertical focus (SAS, Cloud, WiFi)

International distribution channels

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3. Are we biting off more than we can chew?

No!

Proven experience in successfully integrating the transformative acquisition of Network General, which created an industry leader while assuring customer continuity

Proven experience in integrating small technology acquisitions
(five in the past 3 years)

Proven productivity and superior execution with R&D
distributed across 8 development centers and 5 time zones

Talent retention, product integration and improved performance

Compatible cultures with the Danaher Communications
business

Jim Lico, EVP of Danaher and responsible for Communications
business, to join NetScout's Board of Directors

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4. Operating Synergies

Meaningful synergies, in conjunction with anticipated revenue growth, will help us drive profitability substantially higher, particularly as we move out of year 1 and into year 2

Deal is accretive in the first full year of operation

Gross margin upside: leverage our purchasing power and extend our proven manufacturing techniques to improve product gross margin by a few percentage points over the next few years

Operational synergies arising from using common infrastructure platforms, and by eliminating or reducing expenses associated with programs and capabilities already in place

Initial estimate is to identify, remove and begin realizing synergies of about 5 percent on the 900 million dollars within the combined cost base of both organizations

Expect to realize the full effect of those initial actions in the second year of operations, while also exploring the potential to improve upon that as we more closely examine how to best align our go-to-market and related support programs and initiatives

Does not include any potential tax savings that we can realize moving forward after the acquisition closes

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COO Update

Michael Szabados

Chief Operating Officer

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Fiscal Year 2015 Outlook
Jean Bua
SVP and Chief Financial Officer
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(in millions except for EPS)

Q2 FY'15

% Change

over Prior

Year

Q2 FY'15

% Change

over Prior

Year

Total Revenue

\$103.6

12%

\$103.6

12%

Product Revenue

\$58.0

11%

\$58.0

11%

Service Revenue

\$45.6

14%

\$45.6

15%

Gross Profit

\$83.3

13%

\$82.0

13%

%

80.4%

79.2%

Operating Income

\$26.9

19%

\$18.6

17%

%

26.0%

18.0%

Net Income

\$16.6

16%

\$11.2

14%

EPS

\$0.40

18%

\$0.27

13%

NON-GAAP
GAAP

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NetScout Q2 FY 2015 Growth
(in millions)
Non-GAAP
GAAP

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1H FY 2015 Income Statement
(in millions except for EPS)
NON-GAAP
GAAP
1H FY'15
% Change
over Prior

Year	
1H FY'15	
% Change	
over Prior	
Year	
Total Revenue	
\$211.5	
21%	
\$211.5	
22%	
Product Revenue	
\$122.3	
28%	
\$122.3	
28%	
Service Revenue	
\$89.2	
13%	
\$89.1	
13%	
Gross Profit	
\$169.8	
22%	
\$167.3	
22%	
%	
80.3%	
79.1%	
Operating Income	
\$52.2	
42%	
\$38.2	
54%	
%	
24.7%	
18.1%	
Net Income	
\$31.8	
39%	
\$22.7	
50%	
EPS	
\$0.76	
38%	
\$0.54	
50%	

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1H FY 2015 Product Revenue Composition
(Non-GAAP, in millions)
1H FY 15
% Change
over Prior
Year
Total Revenue

\$211.5

21%

Product Revenue

\$122.3

28%

Service Revenue

\$89.2

13%

1H FY'15 Product Revenue

1H FY'14 Product Revenue

42%

13%

45%

50%

39%

11%

Service Providers

Government Enterprise

General Enterprise

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1H FY 15
% Change
over Prior
Year
Total Revenue
\$211.5
21%

Product Revenue

\$122.3

28%

Service Revenue

\$89.2

13%

1H FY 2015 Product Revenue Growth by Sector

(Non-GAAP, in millions)

53%

12%

7%

24%

49%

-3%

0

20

40

60

80

100

120

1H FY'15

1H FY'14

Product Revenue and Growth

Government Enterprise

General Enterprise

Service Providers

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1H FY 2015 Total Revenue Composition
(Non-GAAP, in millions)
1H FY 15
% Change
over Prior
Year
Total Revenue

\$211.5

21%

Product Revenue

\$122.3

28%

Service Revenue

\$89.2

13%

Service Providers

Government Enterprise

General Enterprise

40%

14%

46%

1H FY'15 Total Revenue

34%

13%

53%

1H FY'14 Total Revenue

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1H FY 15

% Change

over Prior

Year

Total Revenue

\$211.5

21%

Product Revenue

\$122.3

28%

Service Revenue

\$89.2

13%

1H FY 2015 Total Revenue Growth by Sector

(Non-GAAP, in millions)

34%

0%

5%

14%

42%

3%

0

20

40

60

80

100

120

1H FY'15

1H FY'14

Total Revenue and Growth

Government Enterprise

General Enterprise

Service Providers

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1H FY 2015 Revenue by Geography
(GAAP, in millions)
1H FY 15
% Change
over Prior
Year
Total Revenue

\$211.5
22%
United States
\$165.4
28%
International
\$46.1
4%
Europe
\$20.0
-7%
Asia
\$11.4
6%
Rest of World
\$14.7
23%
1H FY'15
1H FY'14
78%
22%
5%
7%
10%
75%
25%
6%
12%
7%
United States
Europe
Asia
Rest of World

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Balance Sheet Highlights & Free Cash Flow
(in millions)
Ending
Balance
Sheet
Q2 FY 15
Ending

Balance
 Sheet
 FY 14
 % Change
 over Prior
 Year
 Cash and Securities
 \$217.3
 \$218.8
 -1%
 Accounts Receivables
 \$49.8
 \$60.5
 -18%
 Inventories
 \$14.5
 \$12.6
 15%
 Total Debt
 \$0.0
 \$0.0
 0%
 Total Deferred
 Revenue
 \$117.6
 \$133.9
 -12%
 Total Stockholders
 Equity
 \$412.6
 \$409.2
 1%
 Total Liquidity >
 \$465 million
 (\$ in millions)
 1H FY'15
 Operating Cash Flow
 29.0
 \$
 Purchase of Fixed Assets & Intangible Assets
 (4.1)
 \$
 Free Cash Flow
 24.9
 \$
 Free Cash Flow

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Guidance
FY 2015
(in millions except for EPS)
GAAP
Low
High
Revenue

\$450
 \$465
 EPS
 \$1.32
 \$1.39
 EPS Increase from
 Prior Year
 13%
 19%
 Product revenue growth:
 18% -
 23%
 7%
 13%
 13 -
 17%
 14%
 \$450 -
 \$465
 290
 309
 352
 397
 200
 250
 300
 350
 400
 450
 500
 FY '11
 FY '12
 FY '13
 FY '14
 FY '15
 Non-GAAP Revenue (\$MM)
 \$1.04
 \$1.10
 \$1.32
 \$1.53
 FY '11
 FY '12
 FY '13
 FY '14
 FY '15
 Non-GAAP EPS (Non-GAAP)
 20%
 14 -
 18%
 16%

6%
\$1.74 -
\$1.81
\$0.60
\$0.80
\$1.00
\$1.20
\$1.40
\$1.60
\$1.80
\$2.00

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GAAP Reconciliation: Net Income

For
fiscal
year
2015,
the

non-GAAP

net

income

per

diluted

share

expectation excludes forecasted share-based compensation expenses of approximately \$17.0 million, estimated amortization of acquired intangible assets of approximately \$7.1 million, compensation for post combination services of approximately \$1.2 million, business development expenses of approximately \$1.5 million, and the related impact of these adjustments on the provision for income taxes of \$9.2 million.

Thank You

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Add GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation

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Reconciliation of Current GAAP to Current and Historical Non-GAAP Financial Measures

(In thousands, except per share data)

Three Months Ended

June 30,

2014

2013

2014

2014

2013

GAAP Revenue

103,599

\$

92,097

\$

107,852

\$

211,451

\$

173,902

\$

Deferred revenue fair value adjustment

-

139

18

18

279

Non-GAAP Revenue

103,599

\$

92,236

\$

107,870

\$

211,469

\$

174,181

\$

GAAP Gross profit

82,004

\$

72,393

\$

85,256

\$

167,260

\$

137,276

\$

Deferred revenue fair value adjustment

-

139

18

18

279

Share-based compensation expense (1)

407

294

288

695

484

Amortization of acquired intangible assets (2)

923

824

934

1,857

1,643

Compensation for post combination services (4)

9

9

8

17

17

Non-GAAP Gross profit

83,343

\$

73,659

\$

86,504

\$

169,847

\$
139,699
\$
GAAP Income from operations
18,644
\$
15,882
\$
19,602
\$
38,246
\$
24,765
\$
Deferred revenue fair value adjustment
-

139

18

18

279

Share-based compensation expense (1)
4,495

3,930

3,302

7,797

6,742

Amortization of acquired intangible assets (2)
1,779

1,681

1,796

3,575

3,354

Business development and integration expense (3)
1,477

234

-

1,477

404

Compensation for post combination services (4)
545

711

536

1,081

1,155

Non-GAAP Income from operations

26,940

\$

22,577

\$

25,254

\$

52,194

\$

36,699

\$

GAAP Net income

11,233

\$

9,883

\$

11,476

\$

22,709

\$

15,136

\$

Deferred revenue fair value adjustment

-

139

18

18

279

Share-based compensation expense (1)

4,495

3,930

3,302

7,797

6,742

Amortization of acquired intangible assets (2)

1,779

1,681

1,796

3,575

3,354

Business development and integration expense (3)

1,477

234

-

1,477

404

Compensation for post combination services (4)

545

711

536

1,081

1,155

Income tax adjustments (5)

(2,908)

(2,308)

(1,910)

(4,818)

(4,093)

Non-GAAP Net income

16,621

\$

14,270

\$

15,218

\$

31,839

\$

22,977

\$

GAAP Diluted Net income per share

0.27

\$

0.24

\$

0.27

\$

0.54

\$

0.36

\$

Share impact of non-GAAP adjustments identified above

0.13

0.10

0.09

0.22

0.19

Non-GAAP Diluted net income per share

0.40

\$

0.34

\$

0.36

\$

0.76

\$

0.55

\$
Shares used in computing non-GAAP diluted net income per share
41,652

41,950

41,808

41,732

42,004

(1)
Share-based compensation expense included in these amounts
is as follows:

Cost of product revenue

93

\$

68

\$

60

\$

153

\$

112

\$

Cost of service revenue

314

226

228

542

372

Research and development

1,490

1,263

1,026

2,516

2,159

Sales and marketing

1,235

1,163

963

2,198

2,008

General and administrative

1,363

1,210

1,025

2,388

2,091

Total share-based compensation expense

4,495

\$

3,930

\$

3,302

\$

7,797

\$

6,742

\$

(2)

Amortization expense related to acquired software and product technology included in these amounts is as follows:

Cost of product revenue

923

\$

824

\$

934

\$

1,857

\$

1,643

\$

Operating expenses

856

857

862

1,718

1,711

Total amortization expense

1,779

\$

1,681

\$

1,796

\$

3,575

\$

3,354

\$

(3)

Business development and integration expense included in these amounts is as follows:

General and administrative

1,477

234

-

1,477

404

Total business development and integration expense

1,477

\$

234

\$

-

\$

1,477

\$

404

\$

Three Months Ended

Six Months Ended
September 30,
September 30,