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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

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

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014

OR

o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Commission File Number: 001-35155

BOINGO WIRELESS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State of other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

95-4856877

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

10960 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 800 Los Angeles, California 90024

(Address of principal executive offices, Zip Code)

(310) 586-5180

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value (Title of each class)

The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

(Name of each exchange on which registered)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes o No ý

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act. Yes o No ý

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 ý No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes ý No o

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer or a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting Company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer o Accelerated filer ý Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No ý

The aggregate market value of the Registrant's voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the Registrant as of the last day of the Registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter was \$242,471,919 based on the last reported sale price of \$6.83 per share on the NASDAQ Global Market on June 30, 2014, the last trading day of the most recently completed second fiscal quarter.

As of March 3, 2015, 36,358,513 shares of Common Stock were outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Company's definitive Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed within 120 days of the Company's year ended December 31, 2014 are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K where indicated.

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Forward-Looking Statements

We have made forward-looking statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K that are subject to risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, are subject to the "safe harbor" created by those sections. The forward-looking statements in this report are based on our management's beliefs and assumptions and on information currently available to our management. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terms such as "anticipates," "aspires," "believes," "can," "continue," "could," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "plans," "projects," "seeks," "should," "will" or "would" or the negative of these terms and similar expressions intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, which may cause our actual results, performance, time frames or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance, time frames or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. We discuss many of these risks, uncertainties and other factors in this document in greater detail under the heading "Risk Factors." We believe it is important to communicate our expectations to our investors. However, there may be events in the future that we are not able to predict accurately or over which we have no control. The risks described in "Risk Factors" included in this report, as well as any other cautionary language in this report, provide examples of risks, uncertainties and events that may cause our actual results to differ materially from the expectations we described in "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this report could harm our business.

Given these risks, uncertainties and other factors, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Also, these forward-looking statements represent our estimates and assumptions only as of the date of this filing. You should read this document completely and with the understanding that our actual future results may be materially different from what we expect. We hereby qualify our forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements. Except as required by law, we assume no obligation to update these forward-looking statements publicly, or to update the reasons actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements, even if new information becomes available in the future.

Unless the context otherwise requires, we use the terms "Boingo," "company," "we," "us" and "our" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K to refer to Boingo Wireless, Inc. and, where appropriate, its subsidiaries.

PART I

Item 1. Business

Company Overview

Boingo helps the world stay connected.

We have established a global footprint of small cell networks that provide high-speed, high-bandwidth wireless Internet service to smartphones, tablet computers, laptops, and other wireless-enabled devices. Small cells are low-powered radio access nodes that operate in licensed and unlicensed spectrum that have a range of 10 meters to 1 to 2 kilometers. These small cell networks cover more than a million distributed antenna system (DAS) and Wi- Fi locations and reach more than one billion consumers annually. With the proliferation of mobile Internet-enabled wireless devices, and growth of high-bandwidth usage from streaming media and smartphone apps, we expect these small cells to play a significant role in helping meet the ever-increasing data demands of connected consumers who are accustomed to the benefits of broadband performance at home and work and are seeking the same applications, performance and availability on-the-go.

Our small cell networks include DAS and Wi-Fi networks that we manage and operate ourselves, which we refer to as our "managed and operated" locations, as well as Wi-Fi networks managed and

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operated by third-parties with whom we contract for access, which we refer to as our "roaming" networks. Our managed and operated locations are typically located in large venues with big audiences, such as airports, stadiums, arenas, U.S. military bases, universities, convention centers, and shopping malls where we install a wireless network infrastructure and generally have exclusive multi-year agreements. Our roaming networks comprise more than one million commercial Wi-Fi hotspots in more than 90 countries around the world. We also sell advertising and sponsorships on other Wi-Fi networks that are not part of our network on behalf of the network owner.

We generate revenue through wholesale offerings, retail and military sales, and advertising and sponsorships. We have direct customer relationships with users who have purchased our services, and we also provide mobile Internet access and solutions to our partners, which include telecom operators, cable companies, technology companies, enterprise software and services companies, and communications service providers to allow their millions of users to connect to the mobile Internet through hotspots in our network. Our software solution which provides one-click access to our global footprint of hotspots has been rebranded for wholesale partners, in addition to being marketed under the Boingo brand. In combination with our back-end system infrastructure, it creates a global roaming solution for operators, carriers and other service providers.

Individual retail users provide approximately 34% of our revenue by purchasing month-to-month subscription plans that automatically renew or hotspot specific single-use access to our network. As of December 31, 2014, our retail subscriber base is approximately 254,000, a decrease of approximately 18% over the prior year. Individual military users provide approximately 4% of our revenue by purchasing broadband and Internet Protocol television ("IPTV") services in military barracks. As of December 31, 2014, we have grown our military subscriber base to approximately 20,000 from approximately 2,000 in the prior year.

We generate wholesale revenue from telecom operators that pay us build-out fees and recurring access fees so that their cellular customers may use our DAS networks at locations where we manage and operate the wireless network. DAS revenue accounts for approximately 32% of our revenue. In addition, our partners pay us usage-based or user-based Wi-Fi network access and software licensing fees to allow their customers' access to our footprint worldwide. Wholesale Wi-Fi revenue accounts for approximately 13% of our revenue.

We also generate revenue from advertisers that seek to reach consumers via sponsored Wi-Fi access, promotional programs and online display advertising. Advertising and other revenue accounts for approximately 17% of our revenue.

Our advertising business is seasonal, with the highest percentage of advertising sales occurring in the fourth quarter of each year. Our customer agreements for certain DAS networks include both a fixed and variable fee structure with the highest percentage of sales occurring in the fourth quarter of each year and the lowest percentage of sales occurring in the first quarter of each year. We expect these trends to continue. Our other products have not experienced any significant seasonal impact.

We were incorporated in the State of Delaware in April 2001 under the name Project Mammoth, Inc. and changed our name to Boingo Wireless, Inc. in October 2001. Our principal executive offices are located in Los Angeles, California. Our website address is www.boingo.com. The information on, or that can be accessed through, our website is not part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Industry Overview

Popular business and consumer applications such as streaming media, online games, social networking, cloud storage, software-as-a-service and video calling require high-speed, high-bandwidth Internet access. These data-intensive applications are driving an escalation in Internet data traffic. With

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the proliferation of smartphones, tablet computers, laptops, and other Wi-Fi enabled devices, users expect to be able to access the same content and information while on-the-go. Global mobile data traffic is expected to increase by 10 times from 2014 to 2019 as projected by Cisco's Visual Networking Index ("CVNI").

The adoption, growth and advancement of smartphones are key catalysts for the acceleration of high-speed and high-bandwidth mobile Internet usage. The improved computing power, rich graphical user interfaces and Internet capabilities of these devices enable mobile users to make video calls or stream full-length movies, contributing to the vast expansion of the wireless consumption of data. For example, the average smart device user generated 22 times the amount of data traffic generated by the average non-smart device user in 2014, according to CVNI. Mobile video traffic was 55% of traffic by the end of 2014, according to CVNI. Widely-used mobile applications allow individuals to access the same content and services on their smartphones and other mobile devices that they use at their homes or offices. By the end of 2014, the number of mobile-connected devices will exceed the number of people on earth, and by 2019 there will be nearly 1.5 mobile devices per capita according to CVNI. In addition, 46% of total mobile data traffic was offloaded through Wi-Fi or other small cells in 2014 and without offload, mobile data traffic would have grown 84% rather than 69% in 2014, according to CVNI.

To cope with the significant increase in expected global mobile Internet data traffic, network operators are rapidly expanding their capacity and investing in technologies such as 3G and 4G cellular networks. According to CVNI, a 4G connection generated 10 times more traffic on average than a non-4G connection and although 4G connections represent only 6% of mobile connections today, they already account for 40% of mobile data traffic. These investments, while necessary, are only a short-term solution not capable of meeting the long-term demand for data usage. To ease the strain of cellular networks by off-loading data, network operators have also been investing in Wi-Fi and cellular DAS that recycle spectrum in large venues to increase overall capacity. According to ABI Research, the market for in-building wireless equipment and deployments is expected to grow to over \$8 billion in 2019, up from a forecast of \$4.4 billion for 2014 representing a 14% compound annual growth rate.

Wi-Fi provides higher speed and higher bandwidth per user in high density locations, and is simpler and less expensive to deploy than additional cellular network capacity. The benefits and consumer demand for Wi-Fi have led hardware manufacturers to include Wi-Fi as a standard feature on smart devices, laptops and tablet computers. Wi-Fi has become the standard protocol for residential and office wireless networks and is increasingly prevalent in public venues, such as airports, hotels, coffee shops, shopping malls, arenas, stadiums, campuses and quick service restaurants.

Challenges Facing Our Industry

The mobile Internet is a complex and constantly evolving ecosystem comprised of over a billion mobile Internet-enabled devices from dozens of manufacturers, which are powered by many different operating systems. Devices use different network technologies and must be configured with the appropriate software to detect and optimize a connection to the mobile Internet. This complexity is amplified as new device models and operating systems are released, new categories of devices become Internet-enabled, and new network technologies emerge. The increasing number of mobile Internet-enabled devices in this ecosystem is causing an even more rapid increase in data consumption on capacity-strained networks.

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Our Strategy

We believe we are the leading global provider of commercial mobile Wi-Fi Internet solutions and indoor DAS services for carriers. Key elements of our strategy to extend that lead are to:

Expand our footprint of managed and operated and aggregated networks. We intend to continue to grow our global network of managed and operated DAS and Wi-Fi networks by pursuing new opportunities at large venues such as airports, arenas, stadiums, hospitals, campuses and universities. We also plan to enter into new roaming agreements with other network and hotspot operators to maximize the reach of our aggregated network, which creates a more attractive offering for our retail and military customers and wholesale Wi-Fi partners.

Leverage our neutral-host business model to accelerate wholesale roaming and carrier offload partnerships. Our neutral-host model enables us to partner with venue operators because we allow their customers to access a venue's network regardless of the customers' Wi-Fi provider. We also partner with telecom operators that are attracted to us because we do not compete for cellular subscribers. We intend to expand our neutral-host managed and operated network by partnering with additional venues, network operators, telecom operators and technology companies.

Maximize advertising and sponsorship sell-through for our inventory of advertising-enabled networks. We will seek to leverage our expanded ad sales team to engage leading brands and advertising agencies acting on their behalf to maximize sell-through for our expanding inventory of advertising-supplemented managed and operated networks and contracted advertising-enabled partner networks. These networks represent high-traffic, high-demand locations with broad appeal. We also expect to enhance existing ad products and develop new ones to provide appealing options to advertisers looking for innovative ways to engage potential customers.

Increase our brand awareness. We will continue to seek new ways to promote our brand through our managed and operated hotspots. We intend to enhance our brand through low-cost co-marketing arrangements with our partners and through periodic promotional and sponsorship activities and by continuing to leverage the reach of social media to interact with our customers.

Services

Our solution makes it easy, convenient and cost effective for individuals to find and gain access to the mobile Internet.

Retail. We enable individuals to purchase Internet access at our managed and operated hotspots and select partner locations around the world. We offer a selection of month-to-month subscription and single-use access plans. Our most common plans are the \$9.95 monthly subscription and the single-use Boingo AsYouGo at \$7.95 per day. Our single-use access plans provide unlimited access on a single device at a specific hotspot for a defined period of time, tolled from the time the user first logs on to

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the network. We will continue to launch other flexible plans to meet the evolving needs of our customers.

Retail Plan	Device	Purchase Method		
Subscription:				
Boingo Unlimited	Laptop, Tablet, and Smartphone	Charge Card and PayPal		
Boingo Mobile	Smartphone and Tablet	Charge Card and PayPal		
Boingo Global	Laptop, Tablet and Smartphone	Charge Card and PayPal		
Boingo UK and Ireland	Laptop, Tablet and Smartphone	Charge Card and PayPal		
Boingo Europe Plus	Laptop, Tablet and Smartphone	Charge Card and PayPal		
Boingo Asia Pacific	Laptop, Tablet and Smartphone	Charge Card and PayPal		
Single-use:				
Boingo AsYouGo	Laptop, Tablet, and Smartphone	Charge Card and PayPal		
Boingo Wi-Fi Credits	Apple iOS devices	Apple iTunes		

Military. We also provide broadband and IPTV services for troops stationed on U.S. military bases. Both IPTV and Internet service are available and include basic, standard and expanded service tiers, with discounted service options when both Internet and IPTV products are bundled in a combo package. Our most common plans are the \$29.95 monthly subscription for Standard services (Internet or IPTV) and the \$49.95 monthly subscription for Expanded services (Internet or IPTV). The Standard combo package is \$54.95 per month and the Expanded combo package is \$89.95 per month. Military personnel can also add premium channels at additional cost to enhance their IPTV service. Plans are available on daily (Internet only), weekly and monthly schedules, with different service options at each interval. These services are only available on the U.S. military bases.

DAS. We offer our telecom operator partners access to our DAS infrastructure at certain of our managed and operated hotspot locations. We deploy our DAS infrastructure within airports and other locations that require additional signal strength to improve the quality of cellular services.

Wholesale Wi-Fi. Our integrated hardware and software platform allows us to provide a range of value-added services to network operators, device manufacturers, technology companies, enterprise software and services companies, and venue operators.

Roaming services. We offer roaming services across our entire network of more than one million hotspot locations to our partners who can then provide mobile Internet services to their customers at these locations.

Platform services. We license our proprietary software and provide software integration and development services to our platform services partners. This enables them to integrate our mobile Internet solution with their product and service offerings, either as a bundled Boingo service or a private labeled offering. Our solution includes our proprietary, patented techniques for wireless signal detection, presentation and network aggregation.

Turn-key solutions. We offer our venue partners the ability to implement a turn-key Wi-Fi solution, with no initial investment, through a Wi-Fi network infrastructure that we install, manage and operate. Our turn-key solutions include a variety of service models that are supported through a mix of retail, military, wholesale Wi-Fi and advertising revenue.

Advertising. Our platform provides a valuable opportunity for advertisers to reach a targeted base of visitors to our landing pages with sponsored access, promotional programs and display advertising. We provide advertisers the opportunity to sponsor wireless Internet access to individuals at locations where we manage and operate the Wi-Fi network and locations where we solely provide authorized access to a partner's Wi-Fi network through sponsored access and promotional programs. We also offer

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display advertising based on impressions delivered by our platform. Our advertising solution is easily integrated into Wi-Fi networks not directly managed by Boingo, expanding the addressable market.

Our Network

Through our managed and operated hotspots and our strategic partnership arrangements, users have access to more than one million hotspots worldwide in venues such as airports, hotels, coffee shops, shopping malls, arenas, stadiums and quick service restaurants. We design, build, monitor and maintain the Wi-Fi network at our managed and operated hotspot locations primarily located in the United States and Europe. Our strategic partnership arrangements with more than 130 network operators allow us to extend our global network to over 90 countries worldwide. In 2013, we acquired Electronic Media Systems, Inc. and Advanced Wireless Group, LLC and its network of 17 managed and operated networks (collectively, "AWG").

Boingo hotspot locations by region as of December 31, 2014 included:

		Café /	Convention			
Region	Airport	Retail	Center	Hotel	Other(1)	Total
North America	70	47,702	176	3,061	45,268	96,277
South America	114	4,871	22	222	6,711	11,940
Europe, Middle East and						
Africa	237	16,535	379	10,517	206,486	234,154
Asia	248	163,951	3,428	34,544	509,293	711,464
Total	669	233,059	4,005	48,344	767,758	1,053,835

Includes schools and universities, offices, hospitals and public spaces.

Marketing and Business Development

Our marketing and business development efforts are designed to cost effectively attract and retain new customers, expand our footprint of Wi-Fi hotspots, DAS and advertising locations and identify business partners that could leverage our network to provide mobile Internet services to their customers. We focus on efficient customer acquisition and brand building through our on-line presence, in-venue signage, public relations, market research and other promotional activities.

We seek to maximize customer lifetime value by managing subscriber acquisition cost, extending customer life and determining appropriate pricing. We use information about subscriber behavior to help us retain customers and determine premium offerings. Our segmentation is focused at the product level, so that we provide the right product, plan and price for each customer in each region of the world where we operate. Our consumer plans are available for essentially all Wi-Fi enabled devices and are priced on a month-to- month or per-use basis.

We issue regular press releases announcing important partnerships and product developments and continually update our website with information about our network and services. We leverage our blog and social media accounts to further promote Boingo's product availability and applicability for travelers, digital elite and consumers on-the-go.

Development

Our development efforts are focused primarily on supporting our networks and the businesses that run across these networks. This includes software clients and web applications for ease of connecting to our managed and operated and aggregate partner networks, integrating our software client with our wholesale partners, continuing to adapt our technology to new operating systems and platforms, an advertising system and business and operations support system for monetizing network service, an IPTV

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platform for delivering IPTV services to our U.S. military bases and optimizing our networks and backend systems for roaming and carrier offload. Our development model is based on Agile development practices so any deviations can be promptly corrected to improve reliability in our network or services and enhance customer satisfaction. For the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, development and technology expenses were \$14.9 million, \$11.4 million and \$10.8 million, respectively.

Technology

Over the past 14 years, we have developed proprietary systems that include the Boingo software client; authentication, authorization and tracking systems; mediation and billing systems; IPTV management and delivery platform; and a real-time operational support and software configuration and messaging infrastructure.

Boingo Software Client

The Boingo software client is installed on Wi-Fi enabled devices such as smartphones, laptops and tablet computers to enable our customers to access our network. The key features of the Boingo software client include:

Simple user interface. The Boingo software client provides individuals with an uncomplicated, user-friendly interface designed to streamline the Wi-Fi network connection process. The software finds hotspots and monitors the availability of Wi-Fi hotspots in the Boingo network, presents a notification message of the hotspot identified and allows one-click user connections. In some devices, connection to a Boingo Wi-Fi hotspot occurs in the background, providing the user with a seamless, notification-free connectivity experience.

Support for all major operating system platforms. The Boingo software client supports the Android, iOS, Mac OS and Windows operating systems, which represents the majority of all devices connecting to our managed and operated venues.

Automatic updates. The Boingo software client automatically receives identification information for new hotspot locations as they are added to the Boingo network, including any information needed to automatically identify and login to the network. Location information, allowing a user to find Boingo hotspots from the client, is also automatically updated. On all but embedded platforms, software updates are also automatically offered to a user when available.

Custom branding and flexible integration alternatives. We offer wholesale customers the ability to integrate the Boingo software client into their products and services as a software development kit or SDK. Additionally, we offer wholesale customers the option to utilize a custom, rebranded reference design of the software client used in our retail customer offering.

Authentication, Authorization and Tracking System

Our proprietary authentication, authorization and tracking system enables the reliable, scalable and secure initiation and termination of user Wi-Fi sessions on our network. This system authenticates our network users across a wide variety of hotspots and network operators, through a normalized authentication protocol. Through the authorization process, custom business rules ensure user access based on specific service parameters such as location, type of device, service plan and account information. Our system also captures duration, data traffic, location, and type of device. We normalize and process this data from disparate providers for our use and for our wholesale partners. This system has been enhanced to include support for secure Next Generation Hotspot roaming, which leverages Passpoint-certified devices and network hardware to establish seamless secure connections for customers.

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Mediation and Billing System

Our mediation and billing system records and analyzes individual usage sessions required to bill for Wi-Fi usage. Users are charged based on variables such as pricing plan, device type, location, time and amount of use. Our system consolidates usage session information, determines the user identity and applies the appropriate aggregation and flagging to ensure proper usage processing. Our system handles exceptions automatically. Exceptions that cannot be solved automatically are brought to the attention of the operations staff for rectification of any discrepancies. The billing system provides billing based on roaming relationship, user type, device type and account type. Our retail and military customer mediation and billing is handled by the same infrastructure used for wholesale customer and billing, resulting in efficiencies of scale and operation.

Software Configuration and Messaging System

Our software configuration system provides real-time network configuration updates for approximately 2,630 networks and 50 detection and login methodologies used by the Boingo software client to access our network. Our software configuration system automatically registers new network definitions and login methodologies to allow individuals to connect to our hotspot locations. All supported platforms use a single configuration, providing a high level of operational and test efficiency. Our messaging system enables real-time customer notification and system interaction at login, based on location, network, user, account type, device and usage. This approach enables us and our partners to deliver custom marketing or service messages.

Operations

We provide significant operational support for our managed and operated Wi-Fi hotspots and other hotspots in our network. For our managed and operated Wi-Fi hotspots, we design, build, monitor and maintain the network. For roaming partners, we monitor hotspot uptime and report outages so that they can be quickly remedied. We have service level agreements with our roaming partners specifying minimum network uptime requirements.

Our Wi-Fi deployments are based on the IEEE 802.11a, b, g, n and ac standards and operate in the 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz unlicensed spectrum bands. We design, build, and operate DAS networks that provide 2G, 3G, and 4G-LTE services across multiple licensed-frequency bands for all major telecom operators.

Customers

We generate revenue primarily from our retail and military customers and wholesale partners. Our retail and military customers purchase either month-to-month subscription plans that automatically renew, or single-use access to our network. We acquire our retail and military customers primarily from users passing through our managed and operated locations, where we generally have exclusive multi-year agreements. Some of our wholesale Wi-Fi customers license our software and pay usage-based network access fees to allow their customers access to our global Wi-Fi network and other wholesale Wi-Fi partners pay us to provide Wi-Fi services in their venue locations under a service provider arrangement. Our DAS customers are telecom operators who pay us one-time build-out fees and recurring access fees for our DAS network, enabling their cellular customers to access these networks. Our wholesale customer relationships are generally governed by multi-year contracts. We acquire our wholesale customers through our business development efforts. We also generate revenue from advertisers that seek to reach visitors to the landing pages at our managed and operated network locations with online advertising, promotional and sponsored programs. For the year ended December 31, 2014, entities affiliated with AT&T Inc. accounted for 15% of total revenue. For the year ended December 31, 2013, two groups of entities affiliated with Verizon Communications, Inc. and

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AT&T Inc. each accounted for 14% of total revenue. For the year ended December 31, 2012, those same two groups of affiliated entities accounted for 17% and 15% of total revenue, respectively. The loss of these groups and the customers could have a material adverse impact on our consolidated statements of operations.

Key Business Metrics

In addition to monitoring traditional financial measures, we also monitor our operating performance using key performance indicators. In 2014, we updated our presentation of revenue sources to differentiate our individual users based on the nature of the users retail users who purchase Internet access at our managed and operated hotspots and select partner locations or military users who purchase Internet access or IPTV services for individual use on U.S. military bases. Accordingly, we have disaggregated our subscribers between our retail and military users. We have also removed monthly churn, which was defined as the number of subscribers who canceled their subscriptions in a given month, expressed as a percentage of the average subscribers in that month, as a key performance indicator as we no longer view monthly churn as a key business metric. Our key performance indicators follow:

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2014	2013	2012		
	(iı	(in thousands)			
Subscribers retail	254	308	284		
Subscribers military	20	2			
Connects	81,413	50,830	24,490		
DAS nodes	8.4	6.3	5.6		

Subscribers retail and subscribers military. This metric represents the number of paying customers who are on a month-to-month subscription plan at a given period end.

Connects. This metric shows how often individuals connect to our global Wi-Fi network in a given period. The connects include retail and wholesale customers in both customer pay locations and customer free locations where we are a paid service provider or receive sponsorship or promotional fees. We count each connect as a single connect regardless of how many times that individual accesses the network at a given venue during their 24 hour period. This measure is an indicator of paid activity throughout our network.

DAS nodes. This metric represents the number of active DAS nodes as of the end of the period. A DAS node is a single communications endpoint, typically an antenna, which transmits or receives radio frequency signals wirelessly. This measure is an indicator of the reach of our DAS network.

Retail and Military Customer Support Services

We provide support services to our retail and military customers 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, 365 days per year, by phone, chat or email. Our website also contains a comprehensive list of responses to frequently asked questions, and we monitor and respond to social media communications regarding our services. We provide support services through our internal customer care department and we rely on a third-party provider for most of our standard customer support.

Competition

The market for mobile Internet services and solutions is fragmented and competitive. We believe the principal competitive factors in our industry include the following:

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ease of access and use;
quality of service;
geographic reach;
bundled service offerings;
venue exclusivity;
brand name recognition; and
flexible pricing plans.

We believe we face no material direct competitors to our service offerings. Indirect competitors include telecom operators, cable companies, self-managed venue networks and smaller wireless Internet service providers. Some of these competitors have substantially greater resources, larger customer bases, longer operating histories and greater name recognition than we have. Others offer bundled data services with primary service offerings that we do not offer such as landline and cellular telephone service, and cable or satellite television. Many of our indirect competitors are also partners from whom we receive revenue when their customers access our network. We believe that we compete favorably based on geographic coverage, network reliability, quality of service, ease of use, cost, and our neutral host business model.

Intellectual Property

Our ongoing success will depend in part upon our ability to protect our core technology and intellectual property. To accomplish this, we rely on a combination of intellectual property rights, including trade secrets, patents, copyrights and trademarks, as well as contractual restrictions.

We have four issued U.S. patents, two of which expire in 2022, and the others of which expire in 2030 and 2033. We have six patent applications pending in the United States. One of the pending U.S. patent applications is also pending in Europe. We have two issued Japanese patents and two issued Chinese patents, each of which has a maximum term that expires in 2027.

Our registered trademarks in the United States and the European Union include "Boingo", "Boingo Wi-Finder", and "Don't just go. Boingo.", and in the United States, "Cloud 9 Media" and "AWG-WIFI". We own additional registrations and have filed other trademark applications in the United States and other countries.

In addition to the foregoing protections, we control access to, and use of, our proprietary software and other confidential information through the use of internal and external controls, including contractual protections with employees, contractors, customers and partners. Our software is protected by United States and international copyright laws.

Employees

As of December 31, 2014, we had 265 employees, including 74 in development and technology, 115 in operations, 48 in business development and marketing and 28 in general and administrative. All of our employees are full-time employees. None of our employees are represented by a labor union except for four international employees who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement. We have never experienced any employment related work stoppages and consider relations with our employees to be good. As of December 31, 2014, we also had arrangements with a third party call center provider in New York that provided us with approximately 50 full-time equivalent contractors for retail and military customer support service and similar functions.

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Financial Information about Segments and Geographic Areas

Reference to our segments and the geographic areas where we operate is contained in Note 2 to our accompanying consolidated financial statements included in Part II, Item 8 of this report.

Available Information

Our filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or SEC, including this Annual Report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and current reports on Form 8-K are available free of charge through the Investor Relations section of our website at http://www.boingo.com and are accessible as soon as reasonably practicable after being electronically filed with or furnished to the SEC. The information on, or that can be accessed through, our website is not part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Copies of this report are also available free of charge from Boingo Corporate Investor Communications, 10960 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 800, Los Angeles, California 90024. In addition, our Corporate Governance Guidelines, Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and written charters of the committees of the Board of Directors are accessible through the Corporate Governance tab in the Investor Relations section of our website and are available in print to any stockholder who requests a copy.

You may read and copy materials that we file with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference facilities at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, DC 20549. Information on the operation of the Public Reference facilities is available by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC maintains a website that contains reports and other information we file, and proxy statements to be filed with the SEC. The address of the SEC's website is http://www.sec.gov.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully the risks and uncertainties described below, together with all of the other information in this report on Form 10-K, including our accompanying consolidated financial statements and the related notes, before deciding whether to purchase shares of our common stock. If any of the following risks actually occur, our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects could be materially and adversely affected. The price of our common stock could decline and you could lose part or all of your investment.

Risks Related to Our Business

A significant portion of our revenue is dependent on our relationships with our venue and network partners, and if these relationships are impaired or terminated, or if our partners do not perform as expected, our business and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

We depend on our relationships with venue partners, particularly key airport venue partners, in order to manage and operate DAS networks and Wi-Fi hotspots. These relationships generate a significant portion of our revenue and allow us to generate wholesale revenues and new retail and military customers. Our agreements with our venue partners, DAS telecom operators, and wholesale Wi-Fi customers are for defined periods and of varying durations. In order to maintain our relationships with venue partners, we may need to upgrade our networks, which would require significantly higher initial capital expenditures than we have historically incurred, and if we are unsuccessful, our relationships could be impaired. If our venue partners terminate or fail to renew these agreements, our ability to generate and retain wholesale, retail and military customers would be diminished and our network of DAS networks and Wi-Fi hotspots would be reduced, which might result in a significant disruption of our business and adversely affect our operating results. Further, any

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delays in our ability to complete the upgrade of our networks or build-out new networks can adversely affect our operating results.

We depend on our relationships with network partners to allow users to roam across Wi-Fi networks that we do not manage or operate. A significant portion of our revenue depends on maintaining these relationships with network partners. Some network partners may compete with us for retail customers and may decide to terminate our partnerships and instead develop competing retail products and services. Our network partner agreements are for defined periods and of varying durations. If our network partners terminate these agreements, or fail to renew these agreements, our ability to retain retail customers could be diminished and our network of Wi-Fi hotspots could be reduced, which could result in a significant disruption of our business and adversely affect our operating results.

Worldwide economic conditions, and their impact on travel and consumer spending, may adversely affect our business, operating results and financial condition.

Global economic conditions have been weak for a prolonged period of time, and levels of travel and consumer spending have been particularly depressed. Our business is impacted by travel and consumer spending, because users seek to access the mobile Internet while they are on-the-go, and because spending on Internet access is often a consumer discretionary spending decision. Factors that tend to negatively impact levels of travel include high unemployment, high energy prices, low business and consumer confidence, the fear of terrorist attacks, war and other macroeconomic factors. Economic conditions that tend to negatively impact levels of discretionary consumer spending include high unemployment, high consumer debt, reductions in net worth, depressed real estate markets, increased taxation, high energy prices, high interest rates, low consumer confidence and other macroeconomic factors. If the global economic recovery is slower than expected, or if it weakens, our retail and military customer base, new retail and military customer acquisition and usage-based revenue could be materially harmed, and our results of operations would be adversely affected.

Our business depends upon demand for mobile Internet services on Wi-Fi networks, market adoption of new technologies and our ability to adapt to such changes.

Our future success depends upon growing demand for mobile Internet services, which is inherently uncertain. The demand for mobile Internet services may decrease or may grow more slowly than expected. Any such decrease in the demand or slowing rate of growth could have a material adverse effect on our business. The continued demand for mobile Internet services depends on the continued proliferation of smartphones, tablet computers and other Wi-Fi enabled devices and the rate of evolution of data-intensive applications on the mobile Internet. Historically, we have derived substantially all our retail revenue from laptop users who purchased month-to-month subscriptions or single-use access. We may face challenges as we seek to increase the revenue generated from the usage on smartphones, tablet computers and other mobile devices.

Our business depends on the continued integration of Wi-Fi as a standard feature in mobile devices. If Wi-Fi ceases to be a standard feature in mobile devices, or if the rate of integration of Wi-Fi on mobile devices decreases or is slower than expected, the market for our services may be substantially diminished.

Competing technologies pose a risk to the continued use of Wi-Fi as a mobile Internet technology. The introduction and market acceptance of emerging wireless technologies such as 4G, WiMAX and Super Wi-Fi, could cause significant disruption to our business, which may result in a loss of customers, users and revenue. If users find emerging wireless technologies to be sufficiently fast, convenient or cost effective, we may not be able to compete effectively, and our ability to attract or retain users will be impaired. Additionally, one or more of our partners may deploy emerging wireless technologies that

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could reduce the partner's need to work with us, and may result in significant loss of revenue and reduction of the hotspots in our network.

We deliver value to our users by providing simple access to Wi-Fi hotspots, regardless of whether we manage and operate the hotspot, or the hotspot is operated by a partner. As a result, our business depends on our ability to anticipate and quickly adapt to changing technological standards and advances. If technological standards change and we fail to adapt accordingly, our business and revenue may be adversely affected. Furthermore, the proliferation of new mobile devices and operating platforms poses challenges for our research and development efforts. If we are unable to create simple solutions for a particular device or operating platform, we will be unable to effectively attract users of these devices or operating platforms and our business will be adversely affected.

The growth of free Wi-Fi networks may compete with our paid mobile Wi-Fi Internet solutions.

Many venues, including airports, coffee shops and hotels, offer free mobile Wi-Fi as an incentive or value-added benefit to their customers. Free Wi-Fi may reduce retail customer demand for our services, and put downward pressure on the prices we charge our retail customers. In addition, telecom operators may offer free mobile Wi-Fi as part of a home broadband or other service contract, which also may force down the prices we charge our retail customers. If we are unable to effectively offset this downward pressure on our prices by being a Wi-Fi service provider, or if we are unable to acquire and retain retail customers, we will have lower profit margins and our operating results and financial condition may be adversely impacted.

Negotiations with prospective wholesale partners can be lengthy and unpredictable, which may cause our operating results to vary.

Our negotiations with prospective partners to acquire Wi-Fi hotspots to operate, to acquire roaming rights on partners' networks, or for new partners to implement our solutions, can be lengthy, and in some cases can last over 12 months. Because of the lengthy negotiation cycle, the time required to reach a final agreement with a partner is unpredictable and may lead to variances in our operating results from quarter to quarter. Negotiations with prospective partners also require substantial time, effort and resources. We may ultimately fail in our negotiations, resulting in costs to our business without any associated benefits.

We may be unsuccessful in expanding into new venue types, which could harm the growth of our business, operating results and financial condition.

We are negotiating with existing and prospective partners to expand our managed and operated Wi-Fi network footprint in venue types where we historically have had only a limited presence. Expansion into these venue types, and in particular shopping malls, stadiums, hospitals and quick service restaurants, may require significantly higher initial capital expenditures than we have historically incurred. In contrast to Wi-Fi network build-outs at venues such as airports, where telecom operators typically pay the substantial expense of laying cable or fiber, we may be required to incur the initial capital expense of access points and related hardware and cabling at tens of thousands of quick serve restaurant locations and hundreds of shopping malls, hospitals and stadium locations. We may not be able to execute on our strategy or there may not be returns on these investments in the near future or at all. As a result, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

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We operate relatively new businesses in an emerging market, so an investment in our company involves more risk than an investment in a more mature company in an established industry.

We derive nearly all of our revenue from mobile Internet services, which are new and highly dynamic businesses, which face significant challenges. You should consider our business and prospects in light of the risks, uncertainties and difficulties we will encounter as an emerging company in a new and rapidly evolving market. We may not be able to address these risks, uncertainties and difficulties successfully, which could materially harm our business and operating results.

Our operating results may fluctuate unexpectedly, which makes them difficult to predict and may cause us to fail to meet the expectations of investors, adversely affecting our stock price.

We operate in a highly dynamic industry and our future quarterly operating results may fluctuate significantly. Our revenue and operating results may vary from quarter to quarter due to many factors, many of which are not within our control. As a result, comparing our operating results on a period-to- period basis may not be meaningful. Further, it is difficult to accurately forecast our revenue, margin and operating results, and if we fail to match our expected results or the results expected by financial analysts, the trading price of our common stock may be adversely affected.

Factors that contribute to fluctuations in our operating results from quarter-to-quarter include those described in this risk factor section including:

our gain or loss of a key venue partner, military partner, roaming partner or platform services partner; the rate at which individuals adopt and continue to use our solutions; the timing and success of new technology introductions by us or our competitors; the growing prevalence of free Wi-Fi models and our ability to adapt and compete with free Wi-Fi; the number of air travel passengers, particularly business travelers; intellectual property disputes; and

Due to these and other factors, quarter-to-quarter comparisons of our historical operating results should not be relied upon as accurate indicators of our future performance.

general economic conditions in our domestic and foreign markets.

We may not maintain recent rates of revenue growth.

Although our revenue has increased substantially over the last few years, we may not be able to maintain historical rates of revenue growth. We believe that our continued growth will depend, among other factors, on successfully implementing our business strategies, including our ability to:

attract new users, convert users of our single-use services into subscribers and keep existing subscribers actively using our services;

develop new sources of revenue from our users and partners;
react to changes in the way individuals access and use the mobile Internet;
expand into new markets;
increase the awareness of our brand;
retain our existing partners and attract new partners; and
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provide our users with a superior experience, including customer support and payment experiences.

However, we cannot guarantee that we will successfully implement any of these business strategies.

The U.S. government may modify, curtail or terminate one or more of our contracts.

We have dedicated a significant amount of resources to building out broadband and IPTV networks for troops stationed on U.S. military bases pursuant to our contracts with the U.S. government. The investment of these resources will occur in advance of experiencing any direct benefit from them including generation of revenues and will make it difficult to determine if we are allocating our resources efficiently. As a result of these investments, we do not expect to be profitable in the near future. The U.S. government may modify, curtail or terminate its contracts with us, either at its convenience or for default based on performance. Any such modification, curtailment, or termination of one or more of our government contracts could have a material adverse effect on our earnings, cash flow and/or financial position.

System failures could harm our business.

Although we seek to reduce the possibility of disruptions or other outages, our business may be disrupted by problems with our technology and systems, such as an access point failure at one of our managed and operated hotspots, or a backhaul disruption. We have experienced system failures from time to time, and any interruption in the ability of users to access our solution could harm our business and reputation.

Our systems may be vulnerable to damage or interruption from telecommunications failures, computer denial-of-service attacks, power loss, computer viruses, earthquakes, floods, fires, terrorist attacks and similar events. Some of our systems are not fully redundant, and our disaster recovery planning is not sufficient for all eventualities. Our systems may also be damaged by break-ins, sabotage, and acts of vandalism. Despite any precautions we may take, the occurrence of a natural disaster or other unanticipated problems could result in lengthy interruptions in the availability of the Boingo solution. We do not carry business interruption insurance to compensate us for all losses that may result from service interruptions caused by system failures. If we are unable to resolve service interruptions quickly, our ability to acquire and retain customers will be impaired and our operating results and business could be adversely affected.

We may be unsuccessful in expanding our international operations, which could harm the growth of our business, operating results and financial condition.

Our ability to expand internationally involves various risks, including the need to invest significant resources in unfamiliar markets, and the possibility that there may not be returns on these investments in the near future or at all. In addition, we have incurred and expect to continue to incur expenses before we generate any material revenue in these new markets. Our expansion plans will require significant management attention and resources. We have limited experience in selling our solutions in international markets or in conforming to local cultures, standards or policies. We may not be able to compete successfully in these international markets. Our ability to expand will also be limited by the demand for mobile Internet in international markets. Different privacy, censorship and liability standards and regulations and different intellectual property laws in foreign countries may cause our business and operating results to suffer.

Any future international operations may fail to succeed due to risks inherent in foreign operations, including:

different technological solutions for mobile Internet than those used in North America;

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varied, unfamiliar and unclear legal and regulatory restrictions;

unexpected changes in international regulatory requirements and tariffs;

legal, political, social or systemic restrictions on the ability of U.S. companies to do business in foreign countries;

currency fluctuations;

Foreign Corrupt Practices Act compliance and related risks;

difficulties in staffing and managing foreign operations;

difficulties in enforcing contracts and collecting accounts receivable, and longer payment cycles, especially in emerging markets;

reduced protection for intellectual property rights in some countries; and

potential adverse tax consequences.

Some of our business partners also have international operations and are subject to the risks described above. Even if we are able to successfully manage the risks of international operations, our business may be adversely affected if our business partners are not able to successfully manage these risks.

As a result of these obstacles, we may find it difficult or prohibitively expensive to expand internationally or we may be unsuccessful in our attempt to do so, which could harm our business, operating results and financial condition.

Our industry is competitive and if we do not compete successfully, we could lose market share, experience reduced revenue or suffer losses.

The market for commercial mobile Wi-Fi solutions is competitive and impacted by technological change, and we expect competition with our current and potential competitors to intensify in the future. In particular, some of our competitors have taken steps or may decide to more aggressively compete against us, particularly in the market for venue build-outs of Wi-Fi and DAS solutions.

Our competitors, many of whom are also our partners, include a variety of telecom operators and network operators, including AT&T, T-Mobile, Cablevision, Comcast and local operators. These and other competitors have developed or may develop technologies that compete directly with our solutions. Many of our competitors are substantially larger than we are and have substantially longer operating histories. We may not be able to fund or invest in certain areas of our business to the same degree as our competitors. Many have substantially greater product development and marketing budgets and other financial and personnel resources than we do. Some also have greater name and brand recognition and a larger base of subscribers or users than we have. In addition, our competitors may provide services that we do not, such as cellular, local exchange and long distance services, voicemail and digital subscriber line. Users that desire these services may choose to also obtain mobile Wi-Fi Internet services from a competitor that provides these additional services rather than from us.

Furthermore, we rely on several of our competitors as partners in roaming agreements. The roaming agreements provide that our retail customers and our wholesale partners' customers may use the Wi-Fi networks of our partners. One or more of our partners may deploy competing technologies that could reduce the partner's need to work with us under a roaming agreement. If our partners decide to terminate our roaming agreements, our network of Wi-Fi hotspots may be reduced, which may result in a significant disruption to our business.

Competition could increase our selling and marketing expenses and related customer acquisition costs. We may not have the financial resources, technical expertise or marketing and support

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capabilities to continue to compete successfully. A failure to respond to established and new competitors may adversely impact our business and operating results.

The regulation of Internet communications, products and services is currently uncertain, which poses risks for our business from changes in laws, regulations, and interpretation or enforcement of existing laws or regulations.

The current regulatory environment for Internet communications, products and services is uncertain. Many laws and regulations were adopted prior to the advent of the Internet and related technologies and often do not contemplate or address the specific issues associated with the Internet and related technologies. The scope of laws and regulations applicable to the Internet remains uncertain and is subject to statutory or interpretive change. We cannot be certain that we, our partners or our users are currently in compliance with regulatory or other legal requirements in the numerous countries in which our service is used. Our failure or the failure of our partners, users and others with whom we transact business, or to whom we license the Boingo solution, to comply with existing or future regulatory or other legal requirements could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. Regulators may disagree with our interpretations of existing laws or regulations or the applicability of existing laws or regulations to our business, and existing laws, regulations and interpretations may change in unexpected ways.

We believe that the Boingo solution is on the forefront of mobile Internet technology, and therefore it may face greater regulatory scrutiny than other communications products and services. We cannot be certain what positions regulators may take regarding our compliance with, or lack of compliance with, current and future legal and regulatory requirements or what positions regulators may take regarding any past or future actions we have taken or may take in any jurisdiction. Regulators may determine that we are not in compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, and impose penalties, or we may need to make changes to the Boingo solution, which could be costly and difficult. Any of these events would adversely affect our operating results and business.

If we lose key personnel or are unable to attract and retain personnel on a cost effective basis, our business could be harmed.

Our performance is substantially dependent on the continued services and performance of our senior management and our highly qualified team of engineers, many of whom have numerous years of experience and specialized expertise in our business. If we are not successful in hiring and retaining highly qualified engineers, we may not be able to extend or maintain our engineering and technological expertise and our future product and service development efforts could be adversely affected. If we lose members of our senior management, this may significantly delay or prevent the achievement of our strategic objectives and adversely affect our operating results.

Our future success also depends on our ability to identify, attract, hire, train, retain and motivate highly skilled managerial, operations, business development and marketing personnel. We have in the past maintained a rigorous, highly selective and time-consuming hiring process. We believe that our approach to hiring has significantly contributed to our success to date. However, our highly selective hiring process has made it more difficult for us to hire a sufficient number of qualified employees, and, as we grow, our hiring process may prevent us from hiring the personnel we need in a timely manner. Moreover, the cost of living in the Los Angeles area, where our corporate headquarters is located, has been an impediment to attracting new employees in the past, and we expect that this will continue to impair our ability to attract and retain employees in the future. If we fail to attract, integrate and retain the necessary personnel, we may not be able to grow effectively and our business could suffer significantly.

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Our failure to properly maintain our customers' confidential information and protect our network against security breaches, including cyber-security breaches, could harm our business and operating results.

Advances in computer capabilities, new discoveries in the field of cryptography or other cyber-security developments may result in a compromise or breach of the technology we use to protect user transaction data. Cyber-security risks such as malicious software and attempts to gain unauthorized access to data are rapidly evolving and could lead to disruptions in our network, unauthorized release of confidential or otherwise protected information or corruption of data. Any compromises of our security could damage our reputation and brand and expose us to possible liability such as litigation claims, which would substantially harm our business and operating results. We may need to expend significant resources to protect against security breaches or to address problems caused by breaches.

Many countries, such as European Union member states as a result of the 2006 E.U. Data Retention Directive, are introducing, or have already introduced into local law some form of traffic and user data retention requirements, which are generally applicable to providers of electronic communications services. Retention periods and data types vary from country to country, and the various local data protection and other authorities may implement traffic and user retention requirements regarding certain data in different and potentially overlapping ways. Although the constitutionality of the 2006 E.U. Data Retention Directive has been questioned, we may be required to comply with data retention requirements in one or more jurisdictions, or we may be required to comply with these requirements in the future as a result of changes or modifications to the Boingo solution or changes or modifications to the technological infrastructure on which the Boingo solution is based. Failure to comply with these retention requirements may result in the imposition of costly penalties. Compliance with these retention requirements can be difficult and costly from a legal, operational and technical perspective and could harm our business and operational results.

We rely on our credit facility to fund a significant portion of our capital expenditures and other capital needs. If we are unable to achieve compliance with the credit facility covenants, or interest rates increase significantly, our business would be negatively impacted.

In November 2014, we entered into a Credit Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") and related agreements with Bank of America, N.A. acting as agent for lenders named therein. The Credit Agreement places restrictions on our ability to take certain actions and sets standards for minimum financial performance. In addition to maintaining compliance with the covenants set forth in the Credit Agreement, our ability to increase the amount available for borrowing under our revolving line of credit depends on our ability to meet certain financial targets. If we fail to comply with the terms and conditions of this Credit Agreement, then the line of credit may be withdrawn, we may be required to immediately repay any outstanding obligation, and the additional funds will not be available to us to fund our capital needs.

We rely on a third-party customer support service provider for the majority of our customer support calls. If this service provider experiences operational difficulties or disruptions, our business could be adversely affected.

We depend on a third-party customer support service provider to handle most of our routine retail and military customer support cases. While we maintain limited customer support operations in our Los Angeles headquarters, if our relationship with our customer support service provider terminates unexpectedly, or if our customer service provider experiences operational difficulties, we may not be able to respond to customer support calls in a timely manner and the quality of our customer service would be adversely affected. This could harm our reputation and brand image and make it difficult for us to attract and retain users. In addition, the loss of the customer support service provider would require us to identify and contract with alternative sources, which could prove time-consuming and expensive.

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Material defects or errors in our software could harm our reputation, result in significant costs to us and impair our ability to sell the Boingo solution.

The software underlying the Boingo solution is inherently complex and may contain material defects or errors, particularly when the software is first introduced or when new versions or enhancements are released. We have from time to time found defects or errors in our software, and defects or errors in our existing software may be detected in the future. Any defects or errors that cause interruptions to the availability of our services could result in:

a reduction in sales or delay in market acceptance of the Boingo solution;
sales credits or refunds to our users and wholesale partners;
loss of existing users and difficulty in attracting new users;
diversion of development resources;
harm to our reputation and brand image; and
increased insurance costs.

The costs incurred in correcting any material defects or errors in our software may be substantial and could harm our operating results.

If we are not successful in developing our mobile application for new devices and platforms, or if those solutions are not widely adopted, our results of operations and business could be adversely affected.

As new mobile devices and platforms are developed, we may encounter problems in developing products for such new mobile devices and platforms, and we may need to devote significant resources to the creation, support, and maintenance of such products. In addition, if we experience difficulties integrating our mobile applications into mobile devices, or if we face increased costs to distribute our mobile applications, our future growth and our results of operations could suffer.

If we fail to maintain relationships with providers of mobile operating systems or mobile application download stores, our business could be adversely affected.

We rely on the integration of our software into mobile operating systems to allow mobile devices to connect to our network of Wi-Fi hotspots. If problems arise with our relationships with providers of mobile operating systems or mobile application download stores, such as the Apple App Store and Google Play, or if our mobile application receives unfavorable treatment compared to the promotion and placement of competing applications, such as the order of our products in the mobile application download stores, we may fail to attract or retain customers or partners, and our business could be adversely affected.

If we fail to cost effectively develop our brand, our financial condition and operating results could be harmed.

We market our solution under the Boingo brand. We believe that developing and maintaining awareness of our brand is important to achieving widespread acceptance of the Boingo solution, and is an important element in attracting and retaining customers and partners. Additionally, we believe that developing this brand in a cost effective manner is important in meeting our expected margins. Brand promotion activities may not result in increased revenue, and any increased revenue resulting from these promotion activities may not offset the expenses we incurred in building our brand. If we fail to cost effectively build and maintain our brand, we may fail to attract or retain customers or partners, and our financial condition and results of operations could be harmed.

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Our business depends on strong brands, and if we do not maintain and enhance our brand, our financial condition and operating results could be harmed.

We believe that the Boingo brand is a critical part of our business. We continue to seek new ways to promote our brand through our managed and operated hotspots. We intend to enhance our brand through low-cost co-marketing arrangements with our partners and through periodic promotional and sponsorship activities and by continuing to leverage the reach of social media to interact with our customers. In order to maintain strong relationships with our venue and network partners, we may have to reduce the visibility of the Boingo brand or make other decisions that do not promote and maintain the Boingo brand, such as our custom branding alternatives that we offer to wholesale clients. If we fail to promote and maintain the Boingo brand, or if we incur significant expenses to promote the brand and are still unsuccessful in maintaining a strong brand, our financial condition and operating results could be harmed.

Risks Related to Our Intellectual Property

Claims by others that we infringe their proprietary technology could harm our business.

In recent years there has been significant litigation involving intellectual property rights in many technology-based industries, including the wireless communications industry. While we have not been specifically targeted, companies similar to us have been subject to patent lawsuits. As we face increasing competition and gain an increasingly high profile, the possibility of intellectual property rights claims against us grows. We may be subject to third-party claims in the future. The costs of supporting these litigations and disputes are considerable, and there can be no assurance that a favorable outcome will be obtained. We may be required to settle these litigations and disputes on terms that are unfavorable to us, given the complex technical issues and inherent uncertainties in intellectual property litigation. Claims that the Boingo solution infringes third-party intellectual property rights, regardless of their merit or resolution, could also divert the efforts and attention of our management and technical personnel. The terms of any settlements or judgments may require us to:

cease distribution and back-end operation of the Boingo solution;

pay substantial damages for infringement;

expend significant resources to develop non-infringing solutions;

license technology from the third-party claiming infringement, which may not be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all;

cross-license our technology to a competitor to resolve an infringement claim, which could weaken our ability to compete with that competitor; or

pay substantial damages to our partners to discontinue their use of or to replace infringing solutions sold to them with non-infringing solutions.

Any of these unfavorable outcomes could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

If we are unable to protect our intellectual property rights, our competitive position could be harmed, or we could be required to incur significant expenses to enforce our rights.

Our business depends on our ability to protect our proprietary technology. We rely on trade secret, patent, copyright and trademark laws and confidentiality agreements with employees and third parties, all of which offer only limited protection. We own four patents and have applications for six additional patents pending in the United States. Despite our efforts, the steps we have taken to protect our proprietary rights may not be adequate to prevent the use or misappropriation of our proprietary

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information or infringement of our intellectual property rights. Our ability to police the use, misappropriation or infringement of our intellectual property is uncertain, particularly in countries other than the United States. Further, we do not know whether any of our pending patent applications will result in the issuance of patents or whether the examination process will require us to narrow our claims. Even if patents are issued, they may be contested, circumvented, or invalidated in the future. Moreover, the rights granted under any issued patents may not provide us with complete proprietary protection or any competitive advantages, and, as with any technology, competitors may be able to develop similar or superior technologies on their own now or in the future. Protecting against the unauthorized use of our solutions, trademarks, and other proprietary rights is expensive, difficult and, in some cases, impossible. Litigation may be necessary in the future to enforce or defend our intellectual property rights, to protect our trade secrets, or to determine the validity and scope of the proprietary rights of others. Litigation could result in substantial costs and diversion of management resources, either of which could harm our business. Furthermore, many of our current and potential competitors have the ability to dedicate substantially greater resources to enforce their intellectual property rights than we do.

Accordingly, despite our efforts, if the protection of our proprietary rights is inadequate to prevent use or misappropriation by third parties, the value of our brand and other intangible assets may be diminished and competitors may be able to more effectively mimic our service and methods of operations. Any of these events would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our use of open source software could limit our ability to commercialize the Boingo solution.

We have incorporated open source software into the Boingo solution. Although we closely monitor our use of open source software, we are subject to the terms of open source licenses that have not been interpreted by U.S. or foreign courts, and there is a risk that in the future these licenses could be construed in a manner that imposes unanticipated conditions or restrictions on our ability to commercialize the Boingo solution. In that event, we could be required to seek licenses from third parties or to re-engineer our software in order to continue offering the Boingo solution, or to discontinue operations, any of which could materially adversely affect our business.

We utilize unlicensed spectrum in certain of our offerings which is subject to intense competition, low barriers of entry and slowdowns due to multiple users.

We presently utilize unlicensed spectrum to provide our Wi-Fi Internet solutions. Unlicensed or "free" spectrum is available to multiple users and may suffer bandwidth limitations, interference and slowdowns if the number of users exceeds traffic capacity. The availability of unlicensed spectrum is not unlimited and others do not need to obtain permits or licenses to utilize the same unlicensed spectrum that we currently, or may in the future, utilize. The inherent limitations of unlicensed spectrum could potentially threaten our ability to reliably deliver our services. Moreover, the prevalence of unlicensed spectrum creates low barriers to entry in our industry.

Risks Related to Ownership of Our Common Stock

The market price of our common stock may be volatile, which could result in substantial losses for investors.

Fluctuations in market price and volume are particularly common among securities of technology companies. As a result, you may be unable to sell your shares of common stock at or above the price you paid. The market price of our common stock may fluctuate significantly in response to the factors described in this risk factor section as well as the following factors, among others, many of which are beyond our control:

general market conditions;

domestic and international economic factors unrelated to our performance;

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changes in regulatory policy or interpretation;

actual or anticipated fluctuations in our quarterly operating results;
changes in or failure to meet publicly disclosed expectations as to our future financial performance;
changes in securities analysts' estimates of our financial performance or lack of research and reports by industry analysts;
changes in market valuations or earnings of similar companies;
announcements by us or our competitors of significant products, contracts, acquisitions, or strategic partnerships;
developments or disputes concerning patents or proprietary rights, including increases or decreases in litigation expenses associated with intellectual property lawsuits we may initiate, or in which we may be named as defendants;
termination of a relationship with a venue partner;
failure to complete significant sales;
any future sales of our common stock or other securities; and
additions or departures of key personnel.
If securities or industry analysts publish misleading or unfavorable research about our business, our stock price and trading volume could decline.
The trading market for our common stock depends in part on the research and reports that securities or industry analysts publish about us or our business. If one or more of these analysts downgrades our stock or publishes misleading or unfavorable research about our business, our stock price would likely decline. If one or more of these analysts ceases coverage of our company or fails to publish reports on us regularly, demand for our stock could decrease, which could cause our stock price or trading volume to decline. Announcements by analysts that may have a significant impact on the market price of our common stock may relate to:
our operating results or forecasts;
new issuances of equity, debt or convertible debt by us;
developments in our relationships with corporate customers;
announcements by our customers or competitors;

governmental investigations;
changes in the ratings of our stock by rating agencies or securities analysts;
our acquisitions of complementary businesses; or
our operational performance.

Insiders have substantial control over us and are able to influence corporate matters.

Our directors and executive officers and their affiliates are able to exercise significant influence over all matters requiring stockholder approval, including the election of directors and approval of significant corporate transactions, such as a merger or other sale of our company or its assets. This concentration of ownership could limit your ability to influence corporate matters and may have the effect of delaying or preventing a third party from acquiring control over us.

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As a public company, we are subject to financial and other reporting and corporate governance requirements that may be difficult for us to satisfy, and may divert resources and management attention from operating our business.

We are required to file annual, quarterly and other reports with the SEC. We must prepare and timely file financial statements that comply with SEC reporting requirements. We are also subject to other reporting and corporate governance requirements, under the listing standards of the NASDAQ Stock Market, or NASDAQ, which imposes significant compliance obligations upon us. We are required, among other things, to:

prepare and file periodic reports, and distribute other stockholder communications, in compliance with the federal securities laws and NASDAQ rules; and

evaluate and maintain our system of internal control over financial reporting, and report on management's assessment thereof, in compliance with rules and regulations of the SEC and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board. Further, we are required to obtain an opinion on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31st each year from our independent registered public accounting firm.

If we need additional capital in the future, it may not be available on favorable terms, or at all.

We may require additional capital from equity or debt financing in the future to fund our operations, or respond to competitive pressures or strategic opportunities. We may not be able to secure timely additional financing on favorable terms, or at all. The terms of additional financing may place limits on our financial and operating flexibility. If we raise additional funds through further issuances of equity, convertible debt securities or other securities convertible into equity, our existing stockholders could suffer significant dilution in their percentage ownership of our company, and any new securities we issue could have rights, preferences and privileges senior to those of holders of our common stock. If we are unable to obtain adequate financing or financing on terms satisfactory to us, if and when we require it, our ability to grow or support our business and to respond to business challenges and opportunities could be significantly limited.

We could be the subject of securities class action litigation due to future stock price volatility, which could divert management's attention and adversely affect our results of operations.

The stock market in general and market prices for the securities of technology companies like ours in particular, have from time to time experienced volatility that often has been unrelated to the operating performance of the underlying companies. A certain degree of stock price volatility can be attributed to being a newly public company. These broad market and industry fluctuations may adversely affect the market price of our common stock, regardless of our operating performance. In several recent situations where the market price of a stock has been volatile, holders of that stock have instituted securities class action litigation against the company that issued the stock. If any of our stockholders were to bring a lawsuit against us, the defense and disposition of the lawsuit could be costly and divert the time and attention of our management and harm our operating results.

Anti-takeover provisions in our charter documents and Delaware law could discourage, delay, or prevent a change in control of our company and may affect the trading price of our common stock.

We are a Delaware corporation and the anti-takeover provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law may discourage, delay, or prevent a change in control by prohibiting us from engaging in a business combination with an interested stockholder for a period of three years after the person becomes an interested stockholder, even if a change of control would be beneficial to our existing stockholders. In addition, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws may discourage, delay, or prevent a change in our management or control over us that

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stockholders may consider favorable. For example, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws:

authorize the issuance of "blank check" preferred stock that could be issued by our board of directors to thwart a takeover attempt;

establish a classified board of directors, as a result of which the successors to the directors whose terms have expired will be elected to serve from the time of election and qualification until the third annual meeting following their election;

require that directors only be removed from office for cause and only upon a majority stockholder vote;

provide that vacancies on the board of directors, including newly-created directorships, may be filled only by a majority vote of directors then in office:

limit who may call special meetings of stockholders;

prohibit stockholder action by written consent, thereby requiring all actions to be taken at a meeting of the stockholders; and

require supermajority stockholder voting to effect certain amendments to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws.

We have incurred substantial losses in past and current years and may incur additional losses in the future.

As of December 31, 2014, our accumulated deficit was \$62.9 million. We generated a net loss in 2014 and we are also currently investing in our future growth through expanding our network and buildouts, investing in our software, and consideration of future business acquisitions. As a result, we will incur higher depreciation and other operating expenses, as well as potential acquisition costs, that may negatively impact our ability to achieve profitability in future periods unless and until these growth efforts generate enough revenue to exceed their operating costs and cover our additional overhead needed to scale our business for this anticipated growth. The current global financial condition may also impact our ability to achieve profitability if we cannot generate sufficient revenue to offset the increased costs. In addition, costs associated with the acquisition and integration of any acquired companies may also negatively impact our ability to achieve profitability. Finally, given the competitive and evolving nature of the industry in which we operate, we may not be able to achieve or increase profitability.

We do not intend to pay dividends on our common stock and, consequently, your ability to achieve a return on your investment will depend on appreciation in the price of our common stock.

We do not intend to declare and pay dividends on our capital stock for the foreseeable future. We currently intend to invest our future earnings, if any, to fund our growth. Therefore, you are not likely to receive any dividends on your common stock for the foreseeable future and the success of an investment in shares of our common stock will depend upon any future appreciation in their value.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

Item 2. Properties

During August 2014, we entered into a lease amendment to expand the amount of space leased and extend the term of the lease for our corporate headquarters in Los Angeles, California until

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April 30, 2026. As of December 31, 2014, we leased approximately 27,000 square feet of space for our corporate headquarters. The current leased space for our corporate headquarters will be replaced with approximately 52,000 square feet in 2015 upon completion of construction of leasehold improvements in the new leased space.

As of December 31, 2014, we also leased an additional approximately 21,000 square feet in aggregate office space in Brea, California; San Francisco, California; Oak Brook, Illinois; Lake Success, New York; New York, New York; McKinney, Texas; Seattle, Washington; Allentown, Pennsylvania; Sao Paolo, Brazil; and Dubai, United Arab Emirates. We believe our planned office facilities will be adequate for the foreseeable future.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we may be involved in or subject to claims, suits, investigations and proceedings arising out of the normal course of business. We are not currently a party to any litigation that we believe could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Market Information

Our common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "WIFI." The following table sets forth the high and low closing sales prices of our common stock as reported by the NASDAQ Global Market for the periods indicated.

	2014			
	High		Low	
First quarter	\$	6.94	\$	5.76
Second quarter	\$	7.13	\$	6.25
Third quarter	\$	7.58	\$	6.06
Fourth quarter	\$	8.01	\$	6.70

	2013			
	High		Low	
First quarter	\$	8.06	\$	5.40
Second quarter	\$	7.34	\$	5.48
Third quarter	\$	7.80	\$	6.17
Fourth quarter	\$	7.28	\$	6.10

Registered Stockholders

As of March 5, 2015, there were 24 stockholders of record of our common stock. Stockholders of record do not include a substantially greater number of "street name" holders or beneficial holders of our common stock whose shares are held of record by banks, brokers and other financial institutions.

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Dividends

We have never declared or paid cash dividends on our common stock, and currently do not anticipate paying cash dividends in the foreseeable future. Any future determination to pay dividends on our common stock, if permissible, will be at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend upon, among other factors, our financial condition, operating results, current and anticipated cash needs, plans for expansion and other factors that our board of directors may deem relevant.

Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities; Use of Proceeds from Sale of Registered Securities

We did not sell any equity securities not registered under the Securities Act during the year ended December 31, 2014.

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

On April 1, 2013, the Company approved a stock repurchase program to repurchase up to \$10,000,000 of the Company's common stock in the open market, exclusive of any commissions, markups or expenses. The stock repurchased will be retired and will resume the status of authorized but unissued shares of common stock. The Company did not repurchase any of our common stock during the year ended December 31, 2014. As of December 31, 2014, the remaining approved amount for repurchases was approximately \$5,180,000.

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Performance Measurement Comparison

The following performance graph shows the total stockholder return of an investment of \$100 in cash made on May 4, 2011 in each of (i) our common stock, (ii) a broad equity market index, the securities comprising the Nasdaq Composite Index, and (iii) issuers with similar market capitalizations, the securities comprising the Russell 2000 index.

The performance graph assumes that \$100 was invested on May 4, 2011 in our common stock at the closing price of \$12.10 and in each index, and that all dividends were reinvested. No dividends have been declared nor paid on our common stock. The comparisons in the graph below are required by the SEC and are not intended to forecast or be indicative of possible future performance of our common stock.

COMPARISON OF 44 MONTHS CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN*

Among Boingo Wireless, Inc., The NASDAQ Composite Index and The Russell 2000 Index**

	0:	5/04/11	12	2/31/11	1	2/31/12	1	2/31/13	1	2/31/14
NASDAQ Composite Index	\$	100.00	\$	92.11	\$	106.76	\$	147.68	\$	167.46
Russell 2000 Index	\$	100.00	\$	88.96	\$	101.98	\$	139.71	\$	144.64
Boingo	\$	100.00	\$	71.07	\$	62.40	\$	52.98	\$	63.39

The material in this section is not "soliciting material" and is not deemed "filed" with the SEC. It is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of Boingo Wireless, Inc. made under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date hereof and irrespective of any general incorporation language in any such filing, except to the extent we specifically incorporate this section by reference.

We chose the Russell 2000 index because it is comprised of issuers with similar market capitalizations. We do not believe that we can reasonably identify a peer group of issuers or an industry or line-of-business index.

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ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following selected consolidated financial data should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Part II, Item 7 and our accompanying consolidated financial statements in Part II, Item 8 of this report.

The consolidated statements of operations data set forth below for years 2014, 2013 and 2012 and the consolidated balance sheets data as of the end of years 2014 and 2013 are derived from, and qualified by reference to, the audited consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this report. The consolidated statements of operations data for years 2011 and 2010 and the consolidated balance sheets data as of the end of years 2012, 2011 and 2010 are derived from the audited financial statements previously filed with the SEC on Form 10-K. The results of businesses acquired in a business combination are included in the Company's consolidated financial statements from the date of the acquisition. Refer to Note 3 in our accompanying consolidated financial statements in Part II, Item 8 of this report for a discussion of our business combinations for years 2013 and 2012. There were no business combinations for years 2014, 2011 and 2010.

During the year ended December 31, 2014, we finalized our purchase price allocation for our acquisition of Electronic Media Systems, Inc. and all membership interests in its subsidiary, Advanced Wireless Group, LLC (collectively, "AWG"). The consolidated balance sheets data as of December 31, 2013 and the consolidated statement of operations for 2013 have been retrospectively adjusted to reflect the final purchase price allocation for the AWG acquisition including a \$28,000 decrease in goodwill, a \$147,000 increase in accrued expenses and other liabilities, and a \$175,000 increase in income tax expenses and accumulated deficit as compared to the audited consolidated financial statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 17, 2014.

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The consolidated statement of operations for the year 2013 includes certain out-of-period adjustments that decreased net loss attributable to common stockholders by \$217,000. The impact of these out-of-period adjustments are not considered material, individually and in the aggregate, to any of the current or prior annual periods.

	Year Ended December 31,								
		2014		2013		2012		2011	2010
			(in thousand	s, exc	ept per sha	re ar	nounts)	
Consolidated Statements of Operations Data:									
Revenue	\$	119,297	\$	106,746	\$	102,506	\$	94,558	\$ 80,420
Costs and operating expenses:									
Network access		59,411		47,245		42,289		37,082	31,961
Network operations		25,475		18,402		14,541		15,849	13,508
Development and technology		14,879		11,432		10,772		9,433	8,475

Employment of Immediate Family Member. (i) An immediate family member was an officer of Ryder or was personally working on Ryder's audit as an employee or partner of Ryder's independent auditor, and over five years have passed since such employment, partner or auditing relationship ended; or (ii) an immediate family member is currently employed by Ryder in a non-officer position, or by Ryder's independent auditor not as a partner and not participating in the firm's audit, assurance or tax compliance practice.

Interlocking Directorships. An executive officer of Ryder served on the board of directors of a company that employed the director or employed an immediate family member as an executive officer, and over five years have passed since either such relationship ended.

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Commercial Relationships. The director is an employee (or a director's immediate family member is an executive officer) of a company that makes or has made payments to, or receives or has received payments (other than contributions, if the company is a tax-exempt organization) from, Ryder for property or services, and the amount of such payments has not within any of such other company's three most recently completed fiscal years exceeded one percent (or \$1 million, whichever is greater) of such other company's consolidated gross revenues for such year. Indebtedness Relationships. A director or an immediate family member is a partner, greater than 10% shareholder, director or officer of a company that is indebted to Ryder or to which Ryder is indebted, and the aggregate amount of such debt is less than one percent (or \$1 million, whichever is greater) of the total consolidated assets of the indebted company.

Charitable Relationships. A director is a trustee, fiduciary, director or officer of a tax-exempt organization to which Ryder contributes, and the contributions to such organization by Ryder have not, within any of such organization's three most recently completed fiscal years, exceeded one percent (or \$250,000, whichever is greater) of such organization's consolidated gross revenues for such year.

For purposes of these independence standards, an "immediate family member" includes a director's spouse, parents, children, siblings, mother- and father-in-law, son- and daughter-in-law, brother- and sister-in-law, and anyone (other than domestic employees) who shares such director's home.

Pursuant to our Corporate Governance Guidelines, the Board undertakes an annual review of director independence, which includes a review of each director's responses to questionnaires asking about any relationships with us. This review is designed to identify and evaluate any transactions or relationships between a director or any member of his or her immediate family and us or members of our senior management.

In the ordinary course of business, transactions may occur between us and entities with which some of our directors are or have been affiliated. In connection with its evaluation of director independence, our Board identified and reviewed several transactions that occurred during 2015 between us and companies where our directors or family members of our directors serve as executive officers. Specifically, Mr. Eck, Mr. Hilton and Ms. Lundgren serve as executives of companies that lease vehicles or receive other services from us. We reviewed each of these commercial relationships and found that all the transactions between us and the relevant company were made in the ordinary course of business and were negotiated at arm's length. Furthermore, each of these commercial relationships was well below the threshold set forth in our director independence standards (i.e., one percent of such other company's consolidated gross revenues for such year or \$1 million, whichever is greater). As a result, our Board determined that none of these commercial relationships impaired the independence of the relevant director.

Additionally, we reviewed charitable donations and contributions made by the Company to tax-exempt organizations where our directors serve as a trustee or director. Specifically, Ms. Lundgren serves on the board of a tax-exempt organization to which the Company makes or has made contributions. We reviewed this relationship and found that all contributions made by the Company were made in the ordinary course, at arm's length and consistent with our policies and procedures. Furthermore, this relationship was below the threshold set forth in our director independence standards (i.e., one percent of such organization's consolidated gross revenues for such year or \$250,000, whichever is greater). As a result, our Board determined that this relationship does not impair Ms. Lundgren's independence. Based on its independence review and after considering the transactions described above, the Board determined that each of the following directors (which together constitute all members of the Board other than Mr. Sanchez) is independent: John M. Berra, Robert J. Eck, Robert A. Hagemann, L. Patrick Hassey, Michael F. Hilton, Tamara L. Lundgren, Luis P. Nieto, Jr., Abbie J. Smith, E. Follin Smith and Hansel E. Tookes, II.

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Shareholder Engagement; Communications with the Board 2015 Shareholder Engagement

We sought feedback from shareholders holding over 50% of our shares on Ryder's governance and compensation profile, including specific feedback on proxy access We received substantive feedback from shareholders holding nearly 20% of our shares

The Board used the feedback received to adopt a reasonable, balanced proxy access right for our shareholders

- Shareholders owning 3% of shares for 3 years may nominate the greater of 20% of the Board or 2 directors; shareholder groups of up to 25 are permitted to combine their ownership to meet the ownership requirements

Shareholder Engagement Policy and Practices. We regularly engage with our shareholders to better understand their perspectives on our Company, including their thoughts and priorities with respect to matters of corporate governance and executive compensation. Annually, we reach out to a significant percentage of our shareholders to discuss Ryder's corporate governance and compensation profile and any concerns our shareholders may have. On an ongoing basis, we also review the governance, compensation and proxy voting policies of our shareholders who publish their policies to better understand where our practices align with shareholder policies and whether there are any areas where they differ.

2015 - 2016 Shareholder Engagement & Board Responsiveness. In the Summer and Fall of 2015, consistent with 2014, we reached out to our largest shareholders (constituting over 50% of our outstanding shares) to request feedback on our governance profile and compensation structure and received substantive feedback from shareholders holding nearly 20% of our outstanding shares.

We specifically requested feedback on whether and how best to implement proxy access and used the feedback received, both from our shareholder meetings and our review of published shareholder governance policies, to craft proxy access terms that would provide shareholders with the ability to nominate directors (with a 3% ownership threshold, holding period of 3 years, the ability to nominate up to 20% of the Board or 2 directors (whichever is greater), and up to 25 shareholders may group together to reach 3% ownership), while imposing appropriate procedural safeguards to prevent against unintended abuse. Ryder is approximately 95% institutionally held and, through our shareholder engagement efforts, we received feedback on several procedural terms that our large, institutional shareholders indicated were important to them, which we incorporated into our proxy access terms. For instance, Ryder counts recallable, loaned shares toward the 3% ownership threshold, treats fund families as one shareholder for purposes of the group limit and has not imposed special post-meeting ownership requirements on nominating shareholders. We also do not impose special renomination restrictions on failed proxy access candidates tied to receiving a minimum percentage of votes the prior year. In October 2015, we received a shareholder proposal requesting that the Board adopt proxy access on terms similar to Ryder's proxy access provision in most respects. Although the shareholder proposal did not include a group limit of 25 (or any restrictions on grouping), the shareholder proponent did not move forward with the shareholder proposal as a result of the Board's disclosure of its adoption of proxy access.

In addition to implementing proxy access, we have taken several actions in recent years as a direct result of our shareholder engagement approach, including: (1) declassifying our Board beginning in 2016, (2) lowering of our general voting standard to a majority of votes cast, (3) eliminating supermajority voting provisions regarding (i) removal of directors, (ii) amendment of certain provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws and (iii) approval of certain business combinations with interested shareholders, (4) disclosing our political contributions policy and annual direct corporate contributions to political candidates on our website and (5) continuously improving our corporate sustainability report. We also continue to facilitate direct shareholder communication with members of our Board where appropriate.

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Communications with the Board. Shareholders and other interested parties can communicate with our independent directors as a group through an external toll-free hotline number (7 days a week/24 hours a day), through the Corporate Governance page of our website at www.ryder.com, or by mailing their communication to Independent Directors, c/o Corporate Secretary, Ryder System, Inc., 11690 N.W. 105th Street, Miami, Florida 33178. Any communications received from interested parties in the manner described above will be collected and organized by our Corporate Secretary and will be periodically, but in any event prior to each regularly-scheduled Board meeting, reported and/or delivered to our independent directors. The Corporate Secretary will not forward spam, junk mail, mass mailings, service complaints or inquiries, job inquiries, surveys, business solicitations or advertisements, or patently offensive or otherwise inappropriate materials to the independent directors. Correspondence relating to certain of these matters, such as service issues, may be distributed internally for review and possible response. The procedures for communicating with our independent directors as a group are available on the Corporate Governance page of our website at www.ryder.com.

Our Audit Committee has established procedures for the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints regarding questionable accounting, internal control, financial improprieties or auditing matters. Any of our employees or members of the general public may confidentially communicate concerns about any of these matters to any supervisor or manager, the Chief Legal Officer, the Vice President of Internal Audit and the Global Compliance Officer, or on a confidential and/or anonymous basis by way of a third party toll-free hotline number and web-based portal (www.ryder.alertline.com), an internal ethics phone line, via e-mail at ethics@ryder.com, or to members of our Audit Committee at audit@ryder.com. All of the reporting mechanisms are publicized on our website at www.ryder.com, in our Principles of Business Conduct, through in person and on-line compliance training and location posters. Upon receipt of a complaint or concern, a determination will be made whether it pertains to accounting, internal control, financial improprieties or auditing matters and, if it does, it will be handled in accordance with the procedures established by the Audit Committee. A summary of all complaints, of whatever type, received through the reporting mechanisms are reported to the Audit Committee at each regularly-scheduled Audit Committee meeting. Matters requiring immediate attention are promptly forwarded to the Chair of the Audit Committee.

Board Meetings

The Board held six regular meetings in 2015. Each of the directors attended 75% or more of the aggregate number of meetings of the Board and Committees on which the director served in 2015. Our independent directors meet in outside directors session without management present as part of each regularly-scheduled Board meeting. Our Lead Independent Director presides over these outside directors sessions.

We expect each of our directors to attend our Annual Meeting of Shareholders. All of our directors attended the 2015 Annual Meeting.

Board Leadership Structure

Ryder combines the positions of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chair of the Board. Ryder believes that the CEO, as a Company executive, is in the best position to fulfill the Chair's responsibilities, including those related to identifying emerging issues facing Ryder, communicating essential information to the Board about Ryder's performance and strategies, and proposing agendas for the Board.

In order to mitigate any potential disadvantages of a combined CEO and Chair, the Board has developed the role of a strong Lead Independent Director to facilitate and strengthen the Board's independent oversight of Company performance, strategy and succession planning, and to uphold effective governance standards. Ryder's Corporate Governance Guidelines establish that the Board members shall appoint a Lead Independent Director. Consistent with our Corporate Governance Guidelines, in 2015, we rotated the position of Lead Independent Director from E. Follin Smith to Hansel E. Tookes, II. The Lead Independent Director's duties, which are listed in our Corporate Governance Guidelines, include:

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Lead Independent Director Duties

Presides at all meetings of the Board at which the Chair is not present, including outside directors sessions of the independent directors

Serves as the liaison between the Chair/CEO and the independent directors

Serves as the liaison between the Board and management to obtain the types and forms of information that the Board needs

Requests and previews information sent to the Board as necessary

Communicates with management regarding the form and substance of presentations for the Board

Develops meeting agendas for the Board, in collaboration with the Chair and Corporate Secretary, to ensure that topics requested by the independent directors are included Has authority to call meetings of the independent directors

Is available for consultation and direct communication with shareholders to discuss concerns and expectations, upon request

In addition, our Lead Independent Director, who also serves as the Governance Committee Chair, oversees the Board's annual evaluation process and the search process for new director candidates

Board Committees

The Board has four standing committees — Audit, Compensation, Corporate Governance and Nominating and Finance. All of the Committees are composed entirely of independent directors who meet in outside directors session without management present as part of each regularly-scheduled Committee meeting. The table below provides current membership and 2015 meeting information for each of the Committees.

Committees

Name	Audit	Compensation	& Nominating	Finance
John M. Berra		Member	C	Member
Robert J. Eck		Member		Member
Robert A. Hagemann	Chair			Member
L. Patrick Hassey		Chair	Member	
Michael F. Hilton		Member	Member	
Tamara L. Lundgren	Member		Member	
Luis P. Nieto, Jr.	Member			Chair
Robert E. Sanchez*				
Abbie J. Smith	Member			Member
E. Follin Smith		Member	Member	
Hansel E. Tookes, II**	Member		Chair	
2015 Meetings	11	4	5	10
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* Chair of the Board

** Lead Independent Director

We have adopted written Charters for each of the Committees that comply with the NYSE's corporate governance listing standards, applicable provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (Sarbanes-Oxley) and SEC rules. Each Committee Charter sets forth the respective Committee's responsibilities, and provides for a periodic review of such Charter and an annual evaluation of the respective Committee's performance. The Charters grant each Committee the authority to obtain the advice and assistance of, and receive appropriate funding from us for, outside legal, accounting or other advisors as the Committee deems necessary to fulfill its obligations. The specific powers and responsibilities of the various Committees are set forth in more detail in their Charters, which are available on the Corporate Governance page of our website at www.ryder.com.

Each year in December, the Committees review and approve an agenda schedule for the following year. The agenda schedule outlines the various topics the Committee will consider during the year to ensure that the Committee adequately fulfills its responsibilities under its Committee Charter. The Committee considers other topics during the

year as needed to fulfill its responsibilities. Our Chief Legal Officer works closely with the Chair of the Board, the Lead Independent Director and each Committee Chair to ensure that the information presented to the Committees in connection with the items to be discussed and/or approved is clear and comprehensive.

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AUDIT COMMITTEE

Responsibilities

The Audit Committee's responsibilities include:

appointing, overseeing and determining the compensation and independence of our independent registered certified public accounting firm;

approving the scope of the annual audit and the related audit fees as well as the scope of internal audit procedures; reviewing audit results, financial disclosure and earnings guidance;

overseeing investigations into accounting and financial complaints;

reviewing, discussing and overseeing the process by which we assess and manage risk; and

reviewing and overseeing matters relating to accounting, auditing and financial reporting practices and policies. Meetings. Our Chief Financial Officer, Controller, Vice President of Internal Audit, Chief Legal Officer, Global Compliance Officer and representatives of our independent registered certified public accounting firm participate in Audit Committee meetings, as necessary and appropriate, to assist the Audit Committee in its discussion and analysis of the various agenda items. The Audit Committee also meets individually with our Chief Financial Officer, Vice President of Internal Audit and representatives of our independent registered certified public accounting firm at the end of every regularly-scheduled Audit Committee meeting (other than telephonic meetings); meets individually with our Controller and Global Compliance Officer at least once per year; and meets individually with our Chief Legal Officer as needed throughout the year.

Independence and Financial Expertise

The Board reviewed the background, experience and independence of the Audit Committee members based in part on the directors' responses to questions relating to their relationships, background and experience. Based on this review, the Board determined that each member of the Audit Committee:

meets the independence requirements of the NYSE's corporate governance listing standards and our director independence standards;

meets the enhanced independence standards for audit committee members required by the SEC;

is financially literate, knowledgeable and qualified to review financial statements; and

qualifies as an "audit committee financial expert" under SEC rules.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

Responsibilities

The Compensation Committee's responsibilities include:

overseeing, reviewing and approving our executive and director compensation plans, policies and programs; approving compensation actions for direct reports to the CEO and recommending compensation actions for the CEO for consideration by the independent directors;

reviewing and discussing the results of the shareholder advisory vote on executive compensation and considering whether to recommend any adjustments to the Company's policies and practices based on the vote results; and reviewing and discussing the Compensation Discussion and Analysis to determine whether to recommend it for inclusion in this proxy statement.

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Compensation Committee Processes and Procedures

Meetings. The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), Vice President of Compensation and Benefits, Deputy General Counsel, and when requested, the CEO, participate in Compensation Committee meetings, as necessary and appropriate, to assist the Compensation Committee in its discussion and analysis of the various agenda items. These individuals are generally excused from the meetings as appropriate, including for discussions regarding their own compensation.

Authority, Role of Management and Delegation. The Compensation Committee is responsible for reviewing and approving all of the components of our executive compensation program as well as the compensation program for our Board. New executive compensation plans and programs must be approved by the full Board based on recommendations made by the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee, with input from the CEO, is responsible for setting the compensation of all of our other named executive officers. Our independent directors, acting as a group, are responsible for setting CEO compensation based on recommendations from the Compensation Committee. Pursuant to the terms of its Charter, the Compensation Committee may delegate all or a portion of its responsibilities relating to retirement plans to the Company's Retirement Committee. For additional discussion of the Compensation Committee's processes and procedures for the consideration and determination of executive compensation, please see the discussion under "Compensation Setting Process" in our Compensation Discussion and Analysis on page 34 of this proxy statement.

Use of Compensation Consultants. The Compensation Committee has authority to retain compensation consultants, outside legal counsel and other advisors to assist it in fulfilling its responsibilities. During 2015, the Committee again retained Frederic W. Cook & Co. (Cook) to serve as its independent compensation consultant. For further discussion of the role that Cook played in setting executive compensation during 2015, please see the discussion under "Compensation Setting Process" in our Compensation Discussion and Analysis on page 34 of this proxy statement. Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, John M. Berra, Robert J. Eck, L. Patrick Hassey, Michael F. Hilton and E. Follin Smith served as members of the Compensation Committee, and none of these directors was, during 2015, an officer or employee of Ryder, or was formerly an officer of Ryder. There were no transactions in 2015 between us and any of the directors who served as members of the Compensation Committee for any part of 2015 that would require disclosure by Ryder under the SEC's rules requiring disclosure of certain relationships and related party transactions.

Independence

The Board reviewed the background, experience and independence of the Compensation Committee members based in part on the directors' responses to a questionnaire relating to their relationships, background and experience. Based on this review, the Board determined that each member of the Compensation Committee:

meets the independence requirements of the NYSE's corporate governance listing standards, including the additional independence requirements specific to compensation committee members, and our director independence standards.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Responsibilities

The Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee's (Governance Committee) responsibilities include: Identifying qualified individuals to serve as directors;

reviewing the qualifications of director candidates, including those recommended by our shareholders pursuant to our By-Laws;

recommending to the Board the nominees to be proposed by the Board for election as directors at our Annual Meeting of Shareholders;

recommending the size, structure, composition and functions of Board Committees;

reviewing and recommending changes to the Charters of each Committee of the Board;

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Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee

designing and overseeing the Board evaluation process as well as the annual CEO evaluation process; reviewing and recommending changes to our Corporate Governance Guidelines and Principles of Business Conduct and overseeing governance practices of the Company and Board;

reviewing and overseeing the process by which the Board identifies and prepares for a crisis; and overseeing the Company's charitable contributions, political activities, environmental and safety performance, and diversity efforts.

Our Chief Legal Officer, and when requested, our Chief Executive Officer, participate in Governance Committee meetings, as necessary and appropriate, to assist the Governance Committee in its discussion and analysis of the various agenda items.

Process for Nominating Directors

In identifying individuals to nominate for election to our Board, the Governance Committee seeks candidates that: have a high level of personal integrity and exercise sound business judgment;

are highly accomplished in their fields, with superior credentials and recognition and have a reputation, both personal and professional, consistent with our image and reputation;

have relevant expertise and experience and are able to offer advice and guidance to our senior management;

have an understanding of, and concern for, the interests of our shareholders; and

have sufficient time to devote to fulfilling their obligations as directors.

The Governance Committee will seek to identify individuals who would qualify as independent under applicable NYSE listing standards and our director independence standards, and who are independent of any particular constituency. The Governance Committee may, based on the composition of the Board, seek individuals who have specialized skills or expertise, experience as a leader of another public company or major complex organization, or relevant industry experience. In addition, the Governance Committee will attempt to select candidates who will assist in making the Board a diverse body. Ryder believes that a diverse group of directors brings a broader range of experiences to the Board and generates a greater volume of ideas and perspectives, and, therefore, is in a better position to make complex decisions. In addition, Ryder believes its shareholders appreciate a diverse Board, which is more reflective of the overall investment community and markets we and our customers serve. The Governance Committee uses feedback from its Board and Committee evaluation process, as well as a Board Composition Matrix which each director completes, to assist in determining the proper mix of director experience and diversity, and to assist in the identification and selection of candidates for nomination.

Generally, the Governance Committee identifies individuals for service on our Board through the Governance Committee's retention of experienced director search firms that are paid to use their extensive resources and networks to find qualified individuals who meet the qualifications established by the Board. These search firms create a comprehensive record of a candidate's background, business and professional experience and other information that would be relevant to the Governance Committee in determining a candidate's capabilities and suitability. The Governance Committee will also consider qualified candidates who are proposed by other members of the Board, our senior management and, to the extent submitted in accordance with the procedures described below, our shareholders. The Governance Committee will not consider a director candidate unless the candidate has expressed his or her willingness to serve on the Board if elected and the Governance Committee has received sufficient information relating to the candidate to determine whether he or she meets the qualifications established by the Board. Recommending a Director Candidate to the Governance Committee. If a shareholder would like to recommend a director candidate to the Governance Committee, he or she must deliver to the Governance Committee the same information and statement of willingness to serve described above. In addition, the recommending shareholder must deliver to the Governance Committee a representation that the shareholder owns shares of our common stock and intends to continue holding those shares until the relevant Annual Meeting of Shareholders as well as a representation regarding the shareholder's direct and indirect relationship to the suggested candidate. This information should be delivered to us at:

11690 N.W. 105th Street Miami, Florida 33178

Attention: Corporate Secretary

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This information must be delivered to the Governance Committee no earlier than 120 and no later than 90 days prior to the one-year anniversary of the date of the prior year's Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Any candidates properly recommended by a shareholder will be considered and evaluated in the same way as any other candidate submitted to the Governance Committee.

Upon receipt of this information, the Governance Committee will evaluate and discuss the candidate's qualifications, skills and characteristics in light of the current composition of the Board. The Governance Committee may request additional information from the recommending party or the candidate in order to complete its initial evaluation. If the Governance Committee determines that the individual would be a suitable candidate to serve as one of our directors, the candidate will be asked to meet with members of the Governance Committee, members of the Board and/or members of senior management, including in each case, our CEO, to discuss the candidate's qualifications and ability to serve on the Board. Based on the Governance Committee's discussions and the results of these meetings, the Governance Committee will recommend a nominee or nominees for election to the Board either by our shareholders at our Annual Meeting of Shareholders or by the Board to fill vacancies on the Board between Annual Meetings. The Board will, after consideration of the Governance Committee's recommendations, nominate a slate of directors for election by our shareholders, or for purposes of filling vacancies, elect a nominee to the Board. Pursuant to our Corporate Governance Guidelines, each incumbent director nominee must agree to tender his or her resignation for consideration by the Board if the director fails to receive the required number of votes for re-election in accordance with the By-Laws.

Nominating a Director Candidate Through Proxy Access (for Inclusion in the Company's Proxy Materials). Our By-Laws provide for proxy access for director nominations by shareholders. A shareholder, or group of up to 25 shareholders, owning Ryder stock representing an aggregate of at least 3% of our outstanding shares continuously for at least three years, may nominate and include in Ryder's proxy materials director nominees constituting up to 20% of Ryder's Board or 2 directors, whichever is greater, provided that the shareholder(s) and nominee(s) satisfy the proxy access requirements set forth in our By-Laws.

Nominating a Director Candidate Without Using the Company's Proxy Materials. If a shareholder would like to nominate one or more directors for election at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders without involving the Governance Committee or following the proxy access procedures, it must comply with all of the requirements set forth in our By-Laws.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Responsibilities

The Finance Committee's responsibilities include:

reviewing our overall financial goals, liquidity position, arrangements and requirements;

reviewing, approving and recommending certain capital expenditures, issuances of debt and equity securities, dividend policy, pension contributions and acquisitions; and

reviewing our relationships with rating agencies, banks and analysts, and reviewing our economic and insurance risk program and tax planning initiatives.

Our Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and other members of management including our Vice President of Investor Relations and Strategy, participate in Finance Committee meetings, as necessary and appropriate, to assist the Finance Committee in its discussion and analysis of the various agenda items.

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Risk Management

RISK MANAGEMENT

Enterprise Risk Management

The Company understands that risk is present in its everyday business and organizational strategy and risk-taking is a necessary part of growing and operating a business. Consequently, the Company has implemented an enterprise risk management (ERM) program to provide management and the Board with a robust and holistic top-down view of key risks facing Ryder.

Our ERM program was developed under the direction and supervision of our Chief Legal Officer and Chief Financial Officer with the assistance of external experts, and is managed by our Global Compliance Officer and Vice President of Internal Audit, all of whom provide updates on risk to the Committees and full Board on a regular basis and give a formal presentation at least once per year.

The ERM program is structured so that the Board is responsible for oversight of our ERM process and the CEO and executive leadership team are responsible for risk identification, management and communication under our ERM processes. We believe that effective Board oversight of the ERM process is a key element in the preservation and enhancement of shareholder value. Specifically, our Board and Committees:

Discuss with management the effectiveness of risk management processes in identifying, assessing and managing the organization's most significant enterprise-wide risk exposures.

Receive an ERM report from the Chief Legal Officer and Global Compliance Officer at least annually.

Receive written updates and presentations on the ERM reports and our ERM program at every regularly scheduled meeting, and discuss with management the most significant risks that are identified and managed by Ryder.

Receive a report from the Vice President of Internal Audit at least annually regarding identification of enterprise risks and audit activities to assess the controls and processes regarding such risks.

Discuss and receive updates from management on the various controls and mitigating actions Ryder is taking to mitigate significant risks.

Review Ryder's significant risks and consider such risks when overseeing Ryder's strategic and business decisions. In addition, all significant risks identified through our ERM program or in the ERM reports are communicated to and discussed with the Board and/or one or more of the Committees. For example, our process calls for all risks that may have a material impact on our financial statements or disclosures to be brought before the Audit Committee. Risks involving capital structure or access to capital are discussed with the Finance Committee. We communicate risks associated with executive compensation and benefit programs to our Compensation Committee. The Governance Committee receives reports from management on governance and reputational risks Ryder identifies through our ERM program.

Board/Committee Areas of Risk Oversight

Full Board Strategic, financial and execution risk associated with the annual operating plan and

strategic plan (including allocation of capital investments);

Major litigation and regulatory matters; Acquisitions and divestitures; and Management succession planning.

Audit Committee Risks associated with financial matters, particularly financial reporting, accounting,

and disclosure and internal controls, and information technology and cybersecurity.

Risks associated with the establishment and administration of executive

Compensation Committee compensation, equity-based compensation programs, and performance management

of officers.

Governance Committee

Risks associated with Board effectiveness and organization, corporate governance

matters, and director succession planning.

Risks associated with liquidity, pension plans (including investment performance,

Finance Committee asset allocation and funded status), taxes, currency and interest rate exposures, and

insurance strategies.

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Risk Management | Related Person Transactions

Although Ryder's ERM program is structured with formal processes, it remains flexible enough to adjust to changing economic, business and regulatory developments and is founded on clear lines of communication to the leadership team, the Board and its Committees. In addition, the Company periodically, including during 2012 and 2013, commissions an external assessment of its ERM program and its risk assessment processes to ensure that they are in line with industry practices and are effectively identifying, monitoring and mitigating enterprise-wide risks.

RELATED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

In accordance with our written Policies and Procedures Relating to Related Person Transactions, all "related person transactions" are subject to review, approval or ratification by the Governance Committee. For purposes of the Policies and Procedures, and consistent with Item 404 of Regulation S-K, a "related person transaction" is:

any transaction in which we or a subsidiary of ours is a participant, the amount involved exceeds \$120,000 and a "related person" has a direct or indirect material interest; or

any material amendment to an existing related person transaction.

"Related persons" are our executive officers, directors, nominees for director, any person who is known to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of any class of our voting securities and any immediate family member of any of the foregoing persons.

Our Principles of Business Conduct require that directors and executive officers report any actual or potential conflicts of interest, including potential related person transactions, to the Company. In addition, each director and executive officer completes and signs a questionnaire annually to confirm there are no material relationships or related person transactions between such individuals and the Company other than those previously disclosed to us. This ensures that all material relationships and related person transactions are identified, reviewed and disclosed in accordance with applicable policies, procedures and regulations. Based on this information, we review the Company's own records and make follow-up inquiries as may be necessary to identify potentially reportable transactions. A report summarizing such transactions and including a reasonable level of detail is then provided to the Governance Committee.

The Governance Committee is responsible for reviewing and determining whether to approve related person

The Governance Committee is responsible for reviewing and determining whether to approve related person transactions. In considering whether to approve a related person transaction, the Governance Committee considers the following factors, to the extent relevant:

whether the terms of the related person transaction are fair to us and on the same basis as would apply if the transaction did not involve a related person;

whether there are business reasons for us to enter into the related person transaction;

whether the related person transaction would impair the independence of an outside director; and whether the related person transaction would present an improper conflict of interest for any of our directors or executive officers, taking into account the size of the transaction, the overall financial position of the director, executive officer or related person, the direct or indirect nature of the director's, executive officer's or related person's interest in the transaction and the ongoing nature of any proposed relationship, and any other factors the Governance Committee deems relevant.

There were no related person transactions during 2015.

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Ratification of Independent Public Accounting Firm (Proposal 2)

RATIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM (Proposal 2)

Our Audit Committee appointed PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered certified public accounting firm for the 2016 fiscal year. Although shareholder ratification of the appointment of

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP is not required, the Board believes that submitting the appointment to the shareholders for ratification is a matter of good corporate governance. The Audit Committee will consider the outcome of this vote in future deliberations regarding the appointment of our independent registered certified public accounting firm. Representatives of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will be present at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to respond to appropriate questions and to make a statement if they desire to do so.

Fees and Services of Independent Registered Certified Public Accounting Firm

Fees billed for services by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for the 2015 and 2014 fiscal years were as follows (\$ in millions):

	2015	2014
Audit Fees	\$4.2	\$4.2
Audit-Related Fees	0.5	0.3
Tax Fees ¹	0.3	0.3
All Other Fees ²	0.0	0.2
Total Fees	\$5.0	\$5.0

- All of the Tax Fees paid in 2015 and 2014 relate to tax compliance services.
- In 2014, All Other Fees consisted of \$216,480 for IT consulting services provided by BGT Partners, a digital marketing firm acquired by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP in November 2013.

Audit Fees primarily represent amounts for services related to the audit of our consolidated financial statements and internal control over financial reporting, a review of financial statements included in our Forms 10-Q (or other periodic reports or documents filed with the SEC), statutory or financial audits for our subsidiaries or affiliates, and consultations relating to financial accounting or reporting standards.

Audit-Related Fees represent amounts for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of our financial statements. These services include audits of employee benefit plans, consultations concerning matters relating to Section 404 of Sarbanes-Oxley and due diligence.

Tax Fees represent amounts for U.S. and international tax compliance services (including review of our federal, state, local and international tax returns), tax advice and tax planning, in accordance with our approval policies described below.

All Other Fees for 2014 primarily represent amounts for IT consulting services provided by BGT Partners, a digital marketing firm acquired by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP in November 2013. We originally retained BGT Partners prior to the acquisition to provide ongoing IT consulting services relating to our www.ryder.com website, including social media resources, online reviews, mobile web services, website enhancement and maintenance, and related tools. Following the acquisition of BGT Partners by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, the Company continued to receive these services from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP during 2014.

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Ratification of Independent Public Accounting Firm (Proposal 2)

Approval Policy

All services rendered by our independent registered certified public accounting firm are either specifically approved (including the annual financial statements audit) or are pre-approved by the Audit Committee in each instance in accordance with our Approval Policy for Independent Auditor Services (Approval Policy), and are monitored both as to spending level and work content by the Audit Committee to maintain the appropriate objectivity and independence of the independent registered certified public accounting firm's core service, which is the audit of our consolidated financial statements and internal control over financial reporting. Under the Approval Policy, the terms and fees of annual audit services and any changes thereto, must be approved by the Audit Committee. The Approval Policy also sets forth detailed pre-approved categories of other audit, audit-related, tax and other non-audit services that may be performed by our independent registered certified public accounting firm during the fiscal year, subject to the dollar limitations set by the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee may, in accordance with the Approval Policy, delegate to any member of the Audit Committee the authority to approve audit and non-audit services to be performed by the independent registered certified public accounting firm. The Audit Committee has delegated to the Chair of the Audit Committee the authority to approve audit and non-audit services if it is not practical to bring the matter before the full Audit Committee and the estimated fee does not exceed \$100,000. Any Audit Committee member who exercises his or her delegated authority, including the Chair, must report any approval decisions to the Audit Committee at its next scheduled meeting. All of the services provided in 2015 were approved by the Audit Committee in accordance with the Approval Policy.

The Board recommends a vote FOR ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered certified public accounting firm for the 2016 fiscal year.

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Audit Committee Report

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The following report of the Audit Committee shall not be deemed to be "soliciting material" or to be "filed" with the SEC nor shall this information be incorporated by reference into any future filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each as amended, except to the extent that Ryder specifically incorporates it by reference into a filing.

The Audit Committee is comprised of five outside directors, all of whom are independent under the rules of the NYSE, our director independence standards and applicable rules of the SEC. The Committee operates under a written Charter that specifies the Committee's responsibilities. The full text of the Committee's Charter is available on the Corporate Governance page of Ryder's website (www.ryder.com). The Audit Committee members are not auditors and their functions are not intended to duplicate or to certify the activities of management and the independent registered certified public accounting firm.

The Audit Committee oversees Ryder's financial reporting process on behalf of the Board. Ryder's management has the responsibility for preparing the consolidated financial statements, for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting and for assessing the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Ryder's independent registered certified public accounting firm is responsible for performing an integrated audit of Ryder's annual consolidated financial statements and internal control over financial reporting as of the end of the year in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) and expressing opinions on (1) whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations and cash flows of Ryder in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and (2) whether Ryder maintained effective internal control over financial reporting based on criteria established in "Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013)" issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). In fulfilling its oversight responsibilities, the Committee reviewed and discussed the audited consolidated financial statements in the annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 and management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting with Company management, including a discussion of the quality of the accounting principles, the reasonableness of significant judgments and the clarity of disclosures in the financial statements.

The Committee reviewed with the independent registered certified public accounting firm its judgments as to the quality of Ryder's accounting principles and such other matters as are required to be discussed with the Committee by Auditing Standard No. 16, "Communications with Audit Committees", adopted by the PCAOB, as amended and the rules of the SEC. In addition, the Committee has discussed with the independent registered certified public accounting firm the firm's independence from Company management and Ryder, reviewed the written disclosures and letter from the independent registered certified public accounting firm required by applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding the independent registered certified public accounting firm's communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence, and considered the compatibility of non-audit services with the independent registered certified public accounting firm's independence.

The Committee discussed with Ryder's internal auditor and representatives of the independent registered certified public accounting firm the overall scope and plans for their respective audits. The Committee met with the internal auditor and representatives of the independent registered certified public accounting firm, with and without management present, to discuss the results of their audits; their evaluations of Ryder's internal control, including internal control over financial reporting; and the overall quality of Ryder's financial reporting.

In reliance on the reviews and discussions referred to above, the Committee recommended to the Board, and the Board has approved, that the audited consolidated financial statements and management's assessment of the effectiveness of Ryder's internal control over financial reporting be included in the annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 filed by Ryder with the SEC. The Committee has also approved, subject to shareholder ratification, the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as Ryder's independent registered certified public accounting firm for the 2016 fiscal year.

Submitted by the Audit Committee of the Board. Robert A. Hagemann (Chair) Abbie J. Smith

Tamara L. Lundgren Hansel E. Tookes, II

Luis P. Nieto, Jr.

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Security Ownership of Officers and Directors

SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The following table shows the number of shares of common stock beneficially owned as of January 20, 2016, by each director and each executive officer named in the Summary Compensation Table herein individually and all directors and executive officers as a group. No family relationships exist among our directors and executive officers.

Of the Total

			Of the Total
		Percent of Class ²	Shares
	Total Shares Beneficially Owned ¹		Beneficially
Name of Beneficial Owner			Owned,
			Shares Which
			May be
			Acquired Within
			60 Days ³
Robert E. Sanchez ^{4,5}	342,110	*	111,734
John M. Berra ⁶	25,420	*	25,420
Dennis C. Cooke	54,712	*	28,939
Robert J. Eck ⁴	10,026	*	8,126
Robert D. Fatovic ⁵	77,566	*	20,665
Art A. Garcia ⁵	70,895	*	24,816
Gregory F. Greene	29,100	*	20,665
Robert A. Hagemann ⁶	4,801	*	2,401
L. Patrick Hassey	20,021	*	20,021
Michael F. Hilton	6,048	*	6,048
Tamara L. Lundgren	5,199	*	5,199
Luis P. Nieto, Jr.	18,195	*	18,195
Abbie J. Smith ^{5,6}	36,924	*	25,852
E. Follin Smith ⁶	21,763	*	21,763
Hansel E. Tookes, II ^{4,6}	26,774	*	25,774
Directors and Executive Officers as a Group (20 persons) ^{4,5}	867,291	1.599%	414,624
(20 persons)			

- * Represents less than 1% of our outstanding common stock.
 Unless otherwise noted, all shares included in this table are owned directly, with sole voting and dispositive power.
- 1 Listing shares in this table shall not be construed as an admission that such shares are beneficially owned for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act).
- 2 Percent of class has been computed in accordance with Rule 13d-3(d)(1) of the Exchange Act. Represents options to purchase shares which became exercisable between January 20, 2016 and March 20, 2016,
- time-based and performance-based restricted stock rights vesting on February 7, 2016 and February 8, 2016 and restricted stock units held in the accounts of directors that are delivered upon the director's departure from the Board, which shares vest upon grant, following a director's first year of service on the Board.

 Includes shares held through a trust, jointly with their spouses or other family members or held solely by their
- 4 spouses, as follows: Mr. Sanchez, 2,152 shares; Mr. Eck, 1,900 shares; Mr. Tookes, 1,000 shares; and all directors and executive officers as a group, 5,052 shares.
 - Includes shares held in the accounts of executive officers pursuant to our 401(k) plan and deferred compensation plan and shares held in the accounts of directors pursuant to our deferred compensation plan as follows:
- Mr. Sanchez, 4,389 shares; Mr. Fatovic, 2,280 shares; Mr. Garcia, 3,048 shares; Ms. A. Smith, 11,072 shares; and all directors and executive officers as a group, 21,055 shares.
- Includes stock granted to the director in lieu of his or her annual cash retainer, which stock has vested but will not be delivered to the director until six months after his or her departure from the Board.

Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners | Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS

The following table shows the number of shares of common stock held by all persons who are known by us to beneficially own or exercise voting or dispositive control over more than five percent of our outstanding common stock.

Name and Address	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Percent of Class ⁴
The Vanguard Group, Inc. ¹		
100 Vanguard Blvd.	4,619,296	8.52%
Malvern, PA 19355		
BlackRock, Inc. ²		
55 East 52nd Street	3,865,050	7.13%
New York, NY 10055		
Allianz Global Investors U.S. Holdings LLC and NFJ Investment Group LLC ³		
c/o Allianz Global Investors U.S. Holdings LLC	3,668,708	6.77%
1633 Broadway	3,000,700	0.7770

New York, NY 10019

Based on the most recent SEC filing by The Vanguard Group, Inc. on Schedule 13G/A dated February 10, 2016.

- 1 Of the total shares shown, the nature of beneficial ownership is as follows: sole voting power 85,647; shared voting power 2,700; sole dispositive power 4,534,149; and shared dispositive power 85,147.
- Based on the most recent SEC filing by BlackRock, Inc. on Schedule 13G/A dated January 22, 2016. Of the total shares shown, the nature of beneficial ownership is as follows: sole voting power 3,401,136; shared voting power
- 0; sole dispositive power 3,865,050; and shared dispositive power 0.

 Based on the most recent SEC filing by Allianz Global Investors U.S. Holdings LLC on Schedule 13G dated
- February 12, 2016. Of the total shares shown, the nature of beneficial ownership is as follows: sole voting power: Allianz Global Investors GmbH (Allianz GmbH) 250,681, Allianz Global Investors U.S. LLC (Allianz U.S.) 4,007
- and NFJ Investment Group LLC (NFJ) 3,209,412; shared voting power 0; sole dispositive power: Allianz GmbH 404,689, Allianz U.S. 51,207 and NFJ 3,212,812; and shared dispositive power 0. The address of NFJ is 2100 Ross Avenue, Suite 700, Dallas, TX 75201.
 - The ownership percentages set forth in this column are based on the number of shares outstanding of the
- 4 Company's common stock on January 20, 2016, and the assumption that each person listed above owned the number of shares reflected above on such date.

SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires our directors and executive officers, and persons who beneficially own more than 10% of a registered class of our equity securities, to file reports with the SEC relating to their common stock ownership and changes in such ownership. To our knowledge, based solely on our records and certain written representations received from our executive officers and directors, during the year ended December 31, 2015, all Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to directors, executive officers and greater than 10% shareholders were complied with on a timely basis.

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Compensation Discussion and Analysis

COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This Compensation Discussion and Analysis is designed to provide our shareholders with a clear understanding of our compensation philosophy and objectives, compensation-setting process, and 2015 compensation programs and actions for our named executive officers. As discussed in Proposal 3 on page 60, we are conducting our annual Say on Pay vote that requests your approval of the compensation of our named executive officers as described in this section and in the tables and accompanying narrative contained in the Executive Compensation section. In deciding how to vote, you should review our compensation philosophies, the design of our executive compensation programs, our pay-for-performance profile, material compensation decisions and how we believe these programs and decisions have contributed to strong short-term financial performance and will help support and drive long-term growth and value. In 2015, our named executive officers, or NEOs, were:

Robert E. Sanchez Chair and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Art A. Garcia Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer President - Global Fleet Management Solutions Dennis C. Cooke

Gregory F. Greene Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer

Robert D. Fatovic Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

Executive Summary

Ryder's executive compensation decisions reflect the Company's commitment to pay for performance and to strongly align the interests of the Company's leadership with those of our shareholders. In addition, the Company's executive compensation program is designed to encourage our executives to take actions that support the Company's short-term financial goals but which also ensure the Company's ability to sustain strong shareholder value creation over the long-term, irrespective of annual performance variability. This executive summary provides an overview of 2015 Company performance, the alignment between our pay and our performance, shareholder outreach efforts and Say on Pay feedback, key compensation actions taken in 2015 and our executive compensation governance practices. 2015 Company Performance

The table below shows the key highlights of our financial performance in 2015: Financial Highlights

Record operating revenue of \$5.6 billion (up 6% Ø from 2014) and record comparable earnings per share of \$6.13 (up 10% from 2014).*

Total revenue remained at \$6.6 billion, with

- growth in operating revenue offset by lower fuel costs passed through to customers and negative impacts from foreign exchange.
 - Operating revenue growth in all business
- \emptyset segments, with earnings before tax growth of 7% in our Fleet Management Solutions (FMS) business segment.
 - Operating revenue growth in Supply Chain
- Solutions (SCS) and Dedicated Transportation Solutions (DTS) revenue reflecting new business, higher volumes and increased pricing. Despite solid revenue and earnings growth, our
- Ø total shareholder return was -38% for 2015 versus -29% for our Custom Peer Group.

- Organic lease fleet growth exceeded expectations with an increase of over 6,000 units (the largest in the last decade) due to continued strong sales activity in our full service lease product line.
- Solid rental performance and fleet utilization despite weaker Ø freight trends.
- Strong return on equity and solid return on capital with a positive spread between cost of capital and return on capital of 140 basis points, the highest in 10 years, which we are continuously striving to improve.
- Higher operating cash flow due to strong operating performance, with higher negative free cash flow to fund growth in our full service lease and rental fleets through increased investments.
- Ø Increased annual dividend to shareholders by 11%.
- * Operating revenue and comparable earnings per share are non-GAAP financial measures. For a reconciliation to total revenue and GAAP EPS, respectively, refer to our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

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