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

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For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014

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(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

<u>Delaware</u> 77-0142404

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

2125 O'Nel Drive San Jose, CA 95131

(Address of Principal Executive Offices including Zip Code)

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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Based on the closing sale price of the Registrant's common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market System on September 30, 2013, the aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the Registrant was \$716,570,616. For purposes of this disclosure, shares of common stock held by persons who hold more than 5% of the outstanding shares of common stock and shares held by officers and directors of the Registrant have been excluded because such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. The determination of affiliate status for this purpose is not necessarily a conclusive determination for any other purpose.

The number of shares of the Registrant's common stock outstanding as of May 21, 2014 was 88,561,088.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Part III incorporate information by reference from the Proxy Statement to be filed within 120 days of March 31, 2014 for the 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

8X8, INC.

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PART I

Forward-Looking Statements and Risk Factors

Statements contained in this annual report on Form 10-K, or Annual Report, regarding our expectations, beliefs, estimates, intentions or strategies are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Any statements contained herein that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. For example, words such as "may," "will," "should," "estimates," "predicts," "potential," "continue," "strategy," "believes," "anticipates," "plans," "expects," "intends," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Actual results and trends may differ materially from historical results or those projected in any such forward-looking statements depending on a variety of factors. These factors include, but are not limited to, market acceptance of new or existing services and features, success of our efforts to target mid-market and larger distributed enterprises, changes in the competitive dynamics of the markets in which we compete, customer cancellations and rate of churn, impact of current economic climate and adverse credit markets on our target customers, our ability to scale our business, our reliance on infrastructure of third-party network services providers, risk of failure in our physical infrastructure, risk of failure of our software, our ability to maintain the compatibility of our software with third-party applications and mobile platforms, continued compliance with industry standards and regulatory requirements, risks relating to our strategies and objectives for future operations, including the execution of integration plans and realization of the expected benefits of our acquisitions, the amount and timing of costs associated with recruiting, training and integrating new employees, introduction and adoption of our cloud communications and collaboration services in markets outside of the United States, and general economic conditions that could adversely affect our business and operating results. The forward-looking statements may also be impacted by the additional risks faced by us as described in this Report, including those set forth under the section entitled "Risk Factors." All forward-looking statements included in this Annual Report are based on information available to us on the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. Readers are urged to carefully review and consider the various disclosures made in this Annual Report, which attempt to advise interested parties of the risks and factors that may affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Our fiscal year ends on March 31 of each calendar year. Each reference to a fiscal year in this Annual Report, refers to the fiscal year ended March 31 of the calendar year indicated (for example, fiscal 2014 refers to the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014). Unless the context requires otherwise, references to "we," "us," "our," "8x8" and the "Company" refer to 8x8, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

Overview

We are a leading provider of unified communications and collaboration, or UCC, services in the cloud for small and medium businesses, or SMBs, and mid-market and distributed enterprises. We deliver a broad suite of UCC services to in-office and mobile devices spanning cloud telephony, virtual contact center and virtual meeting through our proprietary unified software as a service, or SaaS, platform. We currently serve approximately 38,000 business customers with over 500,000 subscriptions, making us a leading provider of UCC services in the cloud. Our software abstracts complex networking, redundancy, security and interconnection requirements to provide a seamless and easy-to-use solution for our customers. Our software also integrates with leading enterprise resource planning, or ERP, customer relationship management, or CRM, human capital management, or HCM, and other third-party application suites, such as Salesforce.com and NetSuite, to provide organizations an integrated, fully functional business communications and collaboration experience that is critical to operate their businesses.

Our customers range from startups to large, distributed enterprises. We offer customers a secure, turnkey solution which can be deployed easily through our proprietary integrated cloud services, spans the breadth of communications and collaboration needs and is provided reliably and at an affordable cost. This allows customers to focus on their business instead of trying to manage the complexities of deploying UCC platforms and integrating these platforms with other applications that have already been outsourced to the cloud, such as ERP, CRM and/or HCM.

Available Information

We were incorporated in California in February 1987 and reincorporated in Delaware in December 1996. We maintain a corporate Internet website at the address http://www.8x8.com. The contents of this website are not incorporated in or otherwise to be regarded as part of this Annual Report. We file reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, which are available on our website free of charge. These reports include annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to such reports, each of which is provided on our website as soon as reasonably practical after we electronically file such materials with or furnish them to the SEC. You can also read and copy any materials we file with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. You can obtain additional information about the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1.800.SEC.0330. In addition, the SEC maintains a website (www.sec.gov) that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC, including 8x8.

Our Industry

Businesses are increasingly focused on utilizing mobility and UCC solutions to enable increased productivity, improve interactions with customers and partners, and enhance organizational agility and responsiveness. Legacy solutions have proven to be increasingly expensive and cumbersome and do not meet these evolving business requirements. Companies of all sizes are managing an increasingly mobile and globally distributed workforce that seeks to leverage multiple means of communications and collaboration, including voice, text, video and desktop. The rapid rise of mobile devices in the enterprise has created demand for "bring your own device," or BYOD, provisioning capabilities. Additionally, companies are looking to increase their competitive edge by integrating ERP, CRM and HCM applications and other back-office information technology, or IT, systems with their communications and collaboration systems. Finally, as cyber threats proliferate and hackers become more sophisticated, voice and data security and compliance are at the forefront of business requirements. Legacy providers have struggled to keep up with the new business paradigm and continue to require long, high-touch sales and setup cycles in an effort to solve carrier and hardware complexity. New cloud-based providers deliver point solutions and typically do not provide a secure, comprehensive UCC platform in the cloud.

Cloud Market Opportunity

We believe that the addressable market for our unified cloud communications and collaboration services is large, growing and underpenetrated. Our services directly address multiple markets. According to TechNavio, an independent research firm, the worldwide Unified Communications as a Service, or UCaaS market will grow at a 24.6% CAGR from \$2.0 billion in 2012 to \$4.9 billion in 2016. Gartner forecasts that the cloud-based Contact Center market will grow at an 18.5% CAGR from \$467 million in 2012 to \$921 million in 2016. The global web event services market is forecasted by Frost & Sullivan to grow at a 15.4% CAGR from \$354 million in 2012 to \$628 million in 2016. We address these markets with our Virtual Office, Virtual Contact Center and Virtual Meeting solutions, respectively.

We believe the market has reached an inflection point where existing legacy providers are unable to provide a broad UCC solution, and the adoption of cloud-based UCC services will increase as companies embrace its significant benefits.

Legacy Approaches are Cumbersome and Expensive

Companies are facing increasing complexity with deployments of communications and collaboration services. The exponential growth and variety of mobile devices (with employees seeking to import their personal devices into the workplace environment), a globally distributed workforce, demand for full functionality with third-party applications and other back office IT systems and increasing security and regulatory concerns create numerous challenges for

companies seeking a comprehensive UCC solution, including:

• Hardware/Software Vendor, Carrier and Sub-Carrier Complexity.

Establishing connectivity and communications through the myriad of hardware and software vendors, carriers, sub-carriers and international carriers is becoming ever more complex. Companies need reliable connectivity without complex configurations that require long lead times to implement.

• Device Proliferation / BYOD.

The exponential growth of mobile devices has resulted in BYOD in the workplace and, as a result, has increased companies' need for communications and collaboration services in order to improve employee productivity. Furthermore, companies need to manage and secure voice and data while protecting customer privacy.

• Globally Distributed Enterprises and Workforces.

Companies of all sizes and their employees are distributed globally and there is a need to support communications and collaboration across locations and between employees on a unified system that can be easily deployed and work reliably.

• Applications Requirements.

As companies look to gain an edge in an increasingly competitive environment, ERP applications help improve efficiency while CRM applications help manage and streamline customer interactions and HCM applications facilitate communication with companies' employees. Many of these applications provide additional benefits and improved productivity when integrated with a communications and collaborations suite, allowing employees to communicate information quickly.

• Compliance.

Increasing regulations and compliance procedures add complexity to the already difficult task of managing communications for dozens or hundreds of employees. Companies need a way to secure data and prevent fraudulent use of communication services. Additionally, a continually evolving regulatory environment requires complex software to secure voice and data communications and comply with privacy protection regulations.

• Cost of Deployment

. In addition to these complex requirements, chief information officers are facing increased budget scrutiny and a need to implement a scalable solution at an affordable cost.

Shortcomings of Existing Solutions

The current market is primarily comprised of two categories of solutions that are unable to adequately address today's business communications and collaboration requirements:

• Legacy Providers.

Legacy providers typically provide on-premise solutions that require a long, complex and high-touch sales and setup process with proprietary hardware. These on-premise solutions are difficult to deploy and expensive to maintain in multiple locations for a globally distributed workforce. In addition, the legacy solutions do not provide the resiliency and business continuity capabilities required by customers.

• Point Solution Cloud Providers.

New cloud providers have emerged to address the need for rapid provisioning and simple deployment of communications or collaboration software. However, these solutions are typically siloed and do not currently provide a comprehensive communications and collaboration suite.

The 8x8 Solution

The 8x8 solution runs on our unified software platform. At the core of our platform are two central technologies delivering functionality for today's business requirements. Our Infrastructure Manager abstracts complex global interconnectivity between VoIP and traditional PSTN to provide easy-to-use connectivity for our customers. Our Integration Manager integrates with third-party applications, including Salesforce.com, Microsoft Dynamics, NetSuite and many others, to provide integrated applications functionality within our communications and collaboration services. We have been awarded 92 United States patents. Our solution provides the following key benefits:

• Comprehensive SaaS Suite.

Our services consist of Virtual Office, Virtual Contact Center and Virtual Meeting, providing a single platform for our customers' UCC needs. Our platform is integrated and enables cross-suite functionality. Our customers receive transparent subscription pricing without the billing complexities and minute overages typically associated with traditional providers. Furthermore, software updates and related services are delivered without complex hardware or on-premise infrastructure upgrade cycles and can significantly reduce set-up times.

• Rapid Cloud Provisioning.

Our UCC in the cloud solution allows for rapid provisioning of business phones and mobile devices globally. Customers only need to install our application on their mobile device or plug in our pre-configured IP phones to use a turnkey cloud telephony solution and access our software platform.

• Applications Integration.

We integrate with third-party applications including Salesforce.com, Microsoft Dynamics, NetSuite, Zendesk, SugarCRM, eAgent and many others to provide enhanced functionality within our UCC services.

• Security and Compliance.

We have invested heavily in complying with state and federal regulations including FISMA, HIPAA, HITECH and PCI DSS.

• Affordability.

Our cloud UCC services are typically more affordable than traditional services and offer more UCC functionality at a fraction of the cost of traditional providers, even before including additional system integration costs that are likely to be incurred when deploying traditional services.

Our Strategy

Our objective is to provide our reliable, scalable and profitable cloud UCC solutions globally. We leverage our proprietary, standards-based, unified software platform to deliver innovative, easy-to-deploy, highly secure and competitively priced offerings to small and medium size business ("SMBs") and mid-market and large distributed enterprises. We intend

to bring high-quality cloud telephony, virtual contact center, and virtual meeting services to businesses at an affordable price. Our cloud UCC solution enhances the way our customers communicate and collaborate. We intend to continue to focus our marketing primarily towards our business customer services.

Our Growth Initiatives

Our growth initiatives reflect our goal to be the leading global provider of UCC in the cloud. The following are key elements of our growth strategy:

• Upsell our Products and Services.

Our services provide additional benefits when used in concert, and we intend to upsell our products and services by educating our customers on the additional functionality that can be achieved with our UCC platform.

• Increase Mid-Market and Distributed Enterprise Adoption.

We plan to capitalize on the increasing penetration of cloud-based communications and collaboration solutions in mid-market and distributed enterprises by increasing focus on our direct and channel sales strategy.

• Expand Globally.

We intend to focus on penetrating select markets outside the United States in order to capture more of the growing global market for UCC in the cloud which we believe is underpenetrated and lends itself to a cost effective and easily deployable cloud solution.

• Build New Products and Service Offerings on our Platform.

We believe our unified software platform can be leveraged to offer additional products and services. We intend to integrate our service offerings further and provide additional functionality for our customers.

• Pursue Strategic Acquisitions.

We intend to identify, acquire and integrate strategic technologies, assets and businesses that we believe will build out our breadth of SaaS offerings and drive growth, both domestically and internationally.

Our Platform

Our unified software platform delivers a comprehensive, easy-to-use communications and collaboration solution for SMBs and mid-market and distributed enterprises. Our Infrastructure Manager software abstracts complex global interconnectivity between VoIP and traditional PSTN, enabling a turnkey UCC solution for our customers. Additionally, our Integration Manager software integrates with third-party applications and other back-end IT systems, allowing our customers to access important data while communicating with their clients or collaborating with colleagues. These core components of our software platform enable rapid workspace and phone provisioning and

seamless deployment of our UCC solutions globally. Furthermore, we have invested heavily in complying with state and federal regulations, including FISMA, HIPAA, HITECH and PCI DSS. Although we cannot ever be certain that our systems fully comply with these complex regulations, we have expended significant resources on developing software and obtaining third party risk assessments that enable us to serve customers that are required to comply with these regulations.

Our services work on smartphones, tablets, PCs, IP phones and mobile phones. In addition, our platform integrates with third party applications such as Salesforce.com, NetSuite, Microsoft Dynamics, SugarCRM, Zendesk, eAgent and many others to provide enhanced functionality.

Our Services

Virtual Office

Virtual Office, our flagship service, was launched in March 2004 and is targeted at the SMB and mid-market and distributed enterprise markets. Virtual Office is an affordable, easy-to-use alternative to traditional business phone, PBX systems or Centrex class services from legacy telecommunications providers that offers features and services neither provide. Virtual Office allows users with a broadband Internet connection anywhere in the world to be part of a virtual PBX that includes automated attendants to assist callers, conference bridges, extension-to-extension dialing and ring groups, in addition to a rich variety of other business class PBX features typically found on premise based PBX equipment. The service is provided through our proprietary software that runs on our UCC platform located in our host data centers. In some instances, we sell pre-configured office phones used in connection with our services to our customers.

As a completely cloud-based service, Virtual Office enables SMB customers to rapidly deploy and easily manage enterprise-grade PBX and business telephony capabilities, including full mobility, with no upfront capital expense and no requirement for in-house IT resources. Furthermore, our cloud-based delivery model provides seamless connectivity across multiple offices and facilities, worldwide, for our larger mid-market and distributed enterprise customers.

Virtual Office subscribers have the ability to choose any phone number available to our subscribers regardless of a user's geographic location. Subscribers also can port existing telephone numbers, including toll-free numbers, from other service providers at no additional cost. Each extension in the virtual PBX can be located anywhere in the world that is serviced by a high-speed Internet connection. Virtual Office extension-to-extension calls and transfers are accomplished over the Internet, anywhere in the world, free of extra charges from third party telecommunications carriers. Virtual Office offers the following features:

- Auto-attendant providing dial by extension, name or group;
- Unlimited calling to the US, Canada, certain additional countries and other subscribers to our services, as well as low international rates:
- Phone numbers in more than 50 countries with any desired area code for each extension;
- Conference bridge, three-way calling, music on hold, call park/pick-up, call transfer, hunt groups, and do not disturb;
- Business-class voice mail including email alerts and direct transfer to mailbox;
- Call waiting / Caller-ID;
- Distinctive tone ringing;
- Optional receptionist console application offering:
 - ◆ Multiple call viewing and handling;
 - ♦ Direct transfer to extension's voicemail;
 - ♦ Supervised transfers; and
 - ♦ View of extension status.

In order to meet the needs of our growing mid-market and distributed enterprise customers, we provide an enterprise offering of Virtual Office called Virtual Office Pro. Virtual Office Pro is a powerful unified communications service that allows subscribers to manage essential, advanced business communications functions online through a centralized web-based portal via a PC, laptop, tablet or smartphone. Integrated with Virtual Office, Virtual Office Pro enhances business productivity by providing users with a comprehensive, rapidly accessible suite of communication tools used in everyday business interactions. We also sell the Virtual Office Pro service on a standalone basis so that a business customer would no longer be required to buy a physical VoIP telephone from us in order to access our Virtual Office services. Virtual Office Pro offers the following features:

- A visual overview and online control of Virtual Office business calling activity including point-and-click access to inbound and outbound calls and call management features such as call transfer, do not disturb ("DND") and call forwarding;
- Microsoft Outlook Contacts and Corporate Directory integration;
- Virtual Meeting allows subscribers to create, join and invite participants to web, audio and video meetings;

• Virtual Office Mobile extension - to place and receive VoIP calls and access common Virtual Office services and functions from an iPhone/iPod Touch/iPad/Android mobile handset;

- Fax enables users to send and receive unlimited faxes using either a separate phone number for fax or the same number as your 8x8 extension:
- Call recording enables any inbound or outbound call to be recorded and later reviewed, downloaded or deleted;
- Presence management tells other co-workers whether a user is logged in, logged off, on the phone, off the phone or currently unavailable; and
- My Inbox overview gives a comprehensive view of all voicemails, recordings, FAX messages, calls, and chat history.

Virtual Contact Center

We introduced the Virtual Contact Center service in July 2007. Virtual Contact Center is a fully integrated cloud-based call center solution that works with any broadband Internet connection and provides enterprise class contact center functionality combined with Virtual Office calling features. The Virtual Contact Center allows companies to quickly deploy and operate multi-channel contact centers within our Virtual Office infrastructure without the time and expense of purchasing, installing and maintaining costly, specialized equipment. Delivered entirely as a cloud service, the Virtual Contact Center requires no specialized hardware or software, no telecom equipment and no up-front capital expenditures by the customer. Virtual Contact Center offers features such as skills-based routing, multi-media management, real time monitoring and reporting, voice recording and logging, historical reporting, Interactive Voice Response, integration with third party CRM and ERP solutions, and contact and case management tools.

Virtual Meeting

We launched our Virtual Meeting service in September 2009 as an affordable, easy-to-use web event service that allows businesses to meet with customers, share and edit documents collaboratively, conduct training classes or deliver presentations from any computer with any browser from any location. Virtual Meeting allows unlimited meetings of unlimited duration for up to 50 participants per meeting. Additionally, Virtual Meeting seamlessly integrates with Virtual Office so users can easily search the corporate directory or share their workspace with other meeting participants. Virtual Meeting also enables meeting recording and management. Delivered as a cloud-based service, Virtual Meeting requires nothing more than a web browser for customers to create web events. Additionally, we offer Virtual Room, a video collaboration service, which is a low-cost alternative to traditional tele-presence solutions.

Sales, Marketing and Promotional Activities

We currently sell and market our services to end users through our direct sales force, website, and channel partners. Our sales force primarily handles inbound telephone calls and website leads which are generated from third party lead generation sources and direct web advertising such as Google, or traditional advertising channels such as in-flight magazines and billboards. Sales representatives are paid a base salary or hourly rate and monthly commission for selling our products and services. The commission is based on new sales made by the sales representative. Our sales department employs more than 100 people.

Competition

Given the breadth of our communications and collaboration platform, we face competition from a variety of firms, none of whom currently competes directly with our entire set of cloud UCC services, but who separately compete with us on one or more of such services. We believe that the principal competitive factors affecting our ability to attract and retain customers are price, call quality, reliability, customer service, and breadth of services delivered via the Internet. For more information regarding the risks associated with such competition, please refer to our "Risk Factors" below.

Incumbent Telephone Companies and Alternative Voice Communications Providers

In telephony, we face competition from incumbent telephone companies, cable companies and alternative voice and video communication providers, including cloud telephony providers. Because most of our target customers are already purchasing communications services from one or more of these providers, our success is dependent upon our ability to attract these customers away from their existing providers.

The incumbent telephone companies are our primary competitors in telephony. These competitors include AT&T, CenturyLink and Verizon Communications. These competitors are substantially larger and better capitalized than we are and have the advantage of a large existing customer base, and larger marketing budgets than we have. Moreover, they also provide some of the broadband services that are required to use our service, which is a significant competitive advantage. However, the services offered by these competitors are typically more expensive to adopt, typically require on-premise implementations and require regular hardware and IT infrastructure upgrades. Furthermore, these competitors typically provide limited functionality needed for our customers to integrate their communication systems with their IT infrastructure, therefore requiring additional system integration investments and set up.

Competitors of our cloud telephony and contact center service also include traditional PBX providers including Cisco Systems, Inc. and Avaya Holdings Corp. and other cloud telephony and contact center providers such as Comcast Corporation, inContact, Inc., Microsoft Corporation and RingCentral, Inc. These competitors have services offerings primarily limited to telephony and do not offer the breadth nor deployment simplicity of our cloud UCC services.

We believe our integrated UCC services compete favorably with our competitors because a deployment of a collection of their services offered that is equivalent to a similar deployment of our services is likely to be more expensive and difficult to manage. In addition, in a distributed office setting, on-premise solutions typically will be more expensive due to the requirement to locate on-premise equipment in each office location. Furthermore, the incumbent telephone companies may not have service offerings across the customer's entire office footprint due to the geographic centric business model of traditional telecommunications companies that limits their terrestrial service offering to geographies where they have physical network facilities. By way of example, the largest incumbent telephone exchange carriers do not have nationwide coverage across the United States for their traditional fixed line telephony service.

Communications and Collaboration Software Vendors

We also face competition from communications and collaboration vendors, including Citrix, Microsoft, VMware, Cisco and other companies. These competitors provide software solutions that compete with our cloud-based services offering in contact center, unified communications, and virtual meeting. While none of these competitors currently have services offerings that span the entire breadth of our services offerings, they each have strong software solutions for their respective communications and/or collaboration silos. Many of these competitors are substantially larger and better capitalized than we are and have the advantage of a large existing customer base, and larger marketing budgets than we have. However, we believe that a deployment of a collection of their software solutions that is equivalent to a similar deployment of our services is likely to be more expensive for the customer.

Operations

Our Infrastructure Manager consists of data management, monitoring, control and billing systems that support all of our products and services. We have invested substantial resources to develop and implement our real-time call management information system. Key elements of our Infrastructure Manager include a prospective customer quotation portal, customer provisioning, customer access, fraud control, network security, call routing, call monitoring, media processing and normalization, call reliability, detailed call record storage and billing and integration with third-party applications. We maintain a call switching platform in software that manages call admission, call control, call rating and routes calls to an appropriate destination or customer premise equipment.

Network Operations Center

We maintain a network operations center at our headquarters in San Jose, California and employ a staff of approximately 50 individuals with experience in voice and data operations to provide 24-hour operations support, seven days per week. We use various tools to monitor and manage all elements of our network and our partners' networks in real-time. We also monitor the network elements of some of our larger business customers. Additionally,

our network operations center provides technical support to troubleshoot equipment and network problems. We also rely upon the network operations centers and resources of our telecommunications carrier partners such as Level 3 Communications, Inc. and data center providers such as Equinix, Inc. to augment our monitoring and response efforts.

Customer and Technical Support

We maintain a call center at our headquarters in San Jose, California and have a staff of more than 100 employees and contractors that provide customer service and technical support to customers. In addition, we have outsourced some customer support activities to third parties. Customers who access our services directly through our web site receive customer service and technical support through multilingual telephone communication, web-based and "chat" sessions, and e-mail support.

Interconnection Agreements

We are a party to telecommunications interconnect and service agreements with VoIP providers and PSTN telecommunications carriers, such as Level3 Communications, Verizon Communications and Inteliquent. Pursuant to these agreements, VoIP calls originating on our network can be terminated on other VoIP networks or the PSTN. Correspondingly, calls originating on other VoIP networks and the PSTN can be terminated on our network.

Research and Development

The UCC in the cloud market is characterized by rapid technological changes and advancements. Accordingly, we make substantial investments in the design and development of new products and services, as well as the development of enhancements and features to our existing products and services. Future development also will focus on the use and interoperability of our products and services with emerging audio and video telephony standards and protocols, quality and performance enhancements to multimedia compression algorithms, support of new customer premise equipment, new unified software services and the enhancement of existing products and services that are essential to our success.

We currently employ more than 75 individuals in research, development and engineering activities in our facilities in San Jose, California as well as outsourced software development consultants. Research and development expenses in each of the fiscal years ended March 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$11.6 million, \$8.1 million and \$6.7 million, respectively.

Regulatory Matters

VoIP and other communications and collaboration services, like ours, have been subject to less regulation at the state and federal levels than traditional telecommunications services. Providers of traditional telecommunications services are subject to the highest degree of regulation, while providers of information services are largely exempt from most federal and state regulations governing traditional common carriers. The FCC has subjected VoIP service providers to a smaller subset of regulations that apply to traditional telecommunications service providers and has not yet classified VoIP services as either telecommunications or information. The FCC is currently examining the status of VoIP service providers and the services they provide in multiple open proceedings. In addition, many state regulatory agencies impose taxes on VoIP services, and certain states take the position that offerings by VoIP providers are intrastate telecommunications services and therefore subject to state regulation. These states argue that if the beginning and end points of communications are known, and if some of these communications occur entirely within the boundaries of a state, the state can regulate that offering. We believe that the FCC has preempted states from regulating VoIP offerings in the same manner as providers of traditional telecommunications services. However, this issue has not been resolved definitively as a matter of law, and it remains possible that the FCC could determine that such services are not information services, or that there could be a judicial or legislative determination that the states are not preempted from regulating VoIP services as traditional telecommunications services. We cannot predict how this issue will be resolved or its future impact on our business at this time.

The effect of any future laws, regulations and orders on our operations, including, but not limited to, our cloud-based communications and collaboration services, cannot be determined. But as a general matter, increased regulation and

the imposition of additional funding obligations increases service costs that may or may not be recoverable from our customers, which could result in making our services less competitive with traditional telecommunications services if we increase our prices or decreasing our profit margins if we attempt to absorb such costs.

In addition to regulations addressing Internet telephony and broadband services, other regulatory issues relating to the Internet, in general, could affect our ability to provide our services. Congress has adopted legislation that regulates certain aspects of the Internet including online content, user privacy, taxation, liability for third party activities and jurisdiction. In addition, a number of initiatives pending in Congress and state legislatures would prohibit or restrict advertising or sale of certain products and services on the Internet, which may have the effect of raising the cost of doing business on the Internet generally.

Federal, state, local and foreign governmental organizations are considering other legislative and regulatory proposals that would regulate and/or tax applications running over the Internet. We cannot predict whether new taxes will be imposed on our services, and depending on the type of taxes imposed, whether and how our services would be affected thereafter. Increased regulation of the Internet may decrease its growth and hinder technological development, which may negatively impact the cost of doing business via the Internet or otherwise materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. Please refer to Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" for a discussion of regulatory risks, proceedings and issues that could adversely affect our business and operating results in the future.

Intellectual Property and Proprietary Rights

Our ability to compete depends, in part, on our ability to obtain and enforce intellectual property protection for our technology in the United States and internationally. We currently rely primarily on a combination of trade secrets, patents, copyrights, trademarks and licenses to protect our intellectual property. As of March 31, 2014, we have been awarded 92 United States patents, more than 60 of which we currently hold and which we expect to expire between 2014 and 2032. We have additional United States and foreign patents pending. We cannot predict whether our pending patent applications will result in issued patents.

To protect our trade secrets and other proprietary information, we require our employees to sign agreements providing for the maintenance of confidentiality and also the assignment of rights to inventions made by them while in our employ. There can be no assurance that our means of protecting our proprietary rights in the United States or abroad will be adequate or that competition will not independently develop technologies that are similar or superior to our technology, duplicate our technology or design around any of our patents. In addition, the laws of foreign countries in which our products are or may be sold do not protect our intellectual property rights to the same extent as do the laws of the United States. Our failure to protect our proprietary information could cause our business and operating results to suffer.

We are also subject to the risks of adverse claims and litigation alleging infringement of the intellectual property rights of others. Such claims and litigation could require us to expend substantial resources and distract key employees from their normal duties, which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results, cash flows and financial condition. The communications and software industries are subject to frequent litigation regarding patent and other intellectual property rights. Moreover, the VoIP service provider community has historically been a target of patent holders. There is a risk that we will be a target of assertions of patent rights and that we may be required to expend significant resources to investigate and defend against such assertions of patent rights. For information about specific claims, please refer to Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors - "Our infringement of a third party's proprietary technology could disrupt our business" and Part I, Item 3. "LEGAL PROCEEDINGS."

We rely upon certain technology, including hardware and software, licensed from third parties. These licenses are on standard commercial terms made generally available by the companies providing the licenses. To date, the cost and terms of these licenses individually has not been material to our business. There can be no assurance that the technology licensed by us will continue to provide competitive features and functionality or that licenses for technology currently utilized by us or other technology which we may seek to license in the future will be available to us on commercially reasonable terms or at all, however. The loss of, or inability to maintain, existing licenses could result in shipment delays or reductions until equivalent technology or suitable alternative products could be

developed, identified, licensed and integrated, and could harm our business.

Geographic Areas

Most of our customers and substantially all of our revenues are in the U.S. Revenue from customers outside the United States was not material for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012. We have only one reportable segment. Financial information relating to revenues generated in different geographic areas are set forth in Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements contained in Part II, Item 8 of this Report.

Employees

As of March 31, 2014, our workforce consisted of 484 employees. None of our employees are represented by a labor union or are subject to a collective bargaining arrangement.

Executive Officers of the Registrant

Our executive officers as of the date of this report are listed below.

Vikram Verma, Chief Executive Officer.

Vikram Verma, age 49, has served as Chief Executive Officer since September 2013 and as a director since January 2012. From October 2008 through August 2013, Mr. Verma was President of Strategic Venture Development for Lockheed Martin. From 2006 through 2008, Mr. Verma was President of the IS&GS Savi Group, a division of Lockheed Martin. Mr. Verma received a B.S.E.E. degree from Florida Institute of Technology, an M.S.E. degree from the University of Michigan in electrical engineering, and a graduate degree of Engineer in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University.

Bryan Martin, Chairman and Chief Technology Officer.

Bryan Martin, age 46, has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors since December 2003, has served as the Chief Technology Officer since September 2013 and as a director since February 2002. From February 2002 to September 2013, he served as the Chief Executive Officer. From March 2007 to November 2008, and again from April 2011 to December 2011, he served as President. From February 2001 to February 2002, he served as our President and Chief Operating Officer. He served as our Senior Vice President, Engineering Operations from July 2000 to February 2001 and as Chief Technical Officer from August 1995 to August 2000. He also served as a director of the Company from January 1998 through July 1999. In addition, Mr. Martin served in various technical roles for the Company from April 1990 to August 1995. He received a B.S. and an M.S. in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University.

Dan Weirich, Chief Financial Officer.

Dan Weirich, age 40, has served as our Chief Financial Officer since July 2006. From November 2008 to March 2011, Mr. Weirich also served as our President. From June 2006 to July 2006, Mr. Weirich served as our Acting Chief Financial Officer. He was our Vice President of Operations from April 2006 to June 2006 and Director of Strategic Sales from March 2004 to April 2006. Prior to joining us, Mr. Weirich served in various roles for iAsiaWorks, Qwest Communications and Phoenix Network. He received a B.S. in International Business from the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Darren Hakeman, Senior Vice President of Product and Strategy.

Darren Hakeman, age 44, has served as our Senior Vice President of Product and Strategy since September 2013. From 2009 to 2013, Hakeman worked as a strategic advisor to leading Silicon Valley companies and emerging start-ups including Authentication Metrics, Inc. (now Agari), Blackfire Research, and a major global security company. Prior to 2009, he served as Senior Vice President of Operations for a SaaS Business Unit of Lockheed Martin that emerged following Lockheed's acquisition of Savi Technology, Inc. He received a B.S. and an M.S. in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University.

Huw Rees, Senior Vice President of Business Development.

Huw Rees, age 53, has served as Senior Vice President of Business Development and Vice President of Business Development since November 2008. From January 2001 to November 2008, Mr. Rees served as our Vice President, Sales and Marketing. He served as the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company's wholly owned subsidiary, Centile, Inc., from July 2001 until September 2003. Additionally, he served as Vice President, Sales and Business Development of Centile from March 2001 to July 2001. He served as Vice President, Sales of the Solutions Group of the Company from August 2000 until February 2001 and as Director, North American Sales of the Company from April 1999 to August 2000. He previously worked at Mitel Corporation as Sales Manager of the Western Region and also in sales management roles at GEC Plessey Inc. and Marconi PLC. He received a B.Sc. (Hons) from the University of Manchester, Institute of Science and Technology in Electrical and Electronic Engineering and a M.B.A. from the University of LaVerne.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

If any of the following risks actually occur, our business, results of operations and financial condition could suffer significantly.

Our success depends on the growth and customer acceptance of our services.

Our future success depends on our ability to significantly increase revenue generated from our cloud communications and collaboration services to business customers, including SMBs and mid-market and larger distributed enterprises. To increase our revenue, we must add new customers and encourage existing customers to continue their subscriptions on terms favorable to us, increase their usage of our services, and purchase additional services from us. For customer demand and adoption of our cloud communications and collaboration services to grow, the quality, cost and feature benefits of these services must be sufficient to cause customers to adopt them. For example, our cloud telephony and contact center services must continue to evolve so that high-quality service and features can be consistently provided at competitive prices. As our target markets mature, or as competitors introduce lower cost and/or differentiated products or services that are perceived to compete with ours, our ability to sell new customers and obtain renewals from existing customers could be impaired. As a result, we may be unable to extend our agreements with existing customers or attract new customers or new business from existing customers on terms that would be favorable or comparable to prior periods, which could have an adverse effect on our revenue and growth.

Historically, our core service offerings have been our cloud telephony and contact center services, which contributed a substantial majority of our revenues in fiscal years ended March 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012. Marketing and selling new and enhanced features and services, and additional communications and collaboration offerings, may require increasingly sophisticated and costly sales efforts. Similarly, the rate at which our customers purchase new or enhanced services depends on a number of factors, including general economic conditions and their reactions to any price changes related to these additional features and services. If our efforts to upsell to our customers are not successful and negative reaction occurs, our business may suffer.

To support the successful marketing and sale of our services to new and existing customers, we must continue to offer high-quality education and customer support. Providing this education and support requires that our customer support personnel have specific technical knowledge and expertise, making it more difficult and costly for us to hire qualified personnel and to scale up our support operations due to the extensive training required. The importance of high-quality customer support will increase as we expand our business and pursue new mid-market and distributed enterprise customers. If we do not help our customers quickly resolve post-deployment issues and provide effective ongoing support, our ability to sell additional functionality and services to existing customers will suffer and our reputation with existing or potential customers will be harmed.

Furthermore, we operate in an industry that is subject to significant federal and state regulation in the United States and regulation by various governments and governmental bodies in other countries in which we offer our communications and collaboration services. Regulations may impede the growth of our business, impose significant additional costs, and require substantial changes to software and other technology. Also, new regulations may be adopted that materially reduce demand for our services by businesses.

We face significant risks in our strategy to target mid-market and larger distributed enterprises for sales of our services and, if we do not manage these efforts effectively, our business and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

We currently derive a minority of our revenues from sales of our cloud communications and collaboration services to mid-market and larger distributed enterprises, but we believe penetrating these customers is key to our future growth. As we target more of our sales efforts to mid-market and larger distributed enterprises, our sales cycle may become more time-consuming and expensive, we may encounter pricing pressure and implementation and customization challenges, and revenue recognition may be delayed for some complex transactions, all of which could harm our business and operating results. In this market segment, the customer's decision to use our service may be an enterprise-wide decision and, if so, these types of sales would require us to provide greater levels of education regarding the use and benefits of our service, as well as education regarding privacy and data protection laws and regulations to prospective customers with international operations. As a result of these factors, these sales

opportunities may require us to devote greater sales support and engineering services resources to individual customers, driving up costs and time required to complete sales and diverting our own sales and engineering resources to a smaller number of larger transactions, while potentially delaying revenue recognition on transactions for which we must meet technical or implementation requirements. Furthermore, we may invest significant time and resources with no assurance that a sale will ever be made. We also face challenges building and training an integrated sales force capable of fully addressing the services and features contained in all of the components in our communications and collaboration suite, as well as a staff of expert engineering and customer support personnel capable of addressing the full range of installation and deployment issues that can arise with a comprehensive suite of services like ours. Also, we have only limited experience in developing and managing sales channels and distribution arrangements for larger businesses. If we fail to effectively execute our strategy to

target mid-market and larger distributed enterprises, our results of operations and our overall ability to grow our customer base could be materially and adversely affected.

In addition, larger customers may demand more features, integration services and customization. We have a limited history of selling our services to larger businesses and have experienced and may continue to experience new challenges in providing our cloud communications and collaboration services to large customers. If a customer is not satisfied with the quality of work performed by us or a third party or with the type of services or solutions delivered, then we might incur additional costs to address the situation, the profitability of that work might be impaired, and the customer's dissatisfaction with our services could damage our ability to obtain additional work from that customer. In addition, negative publicity related to our customer relationships, regardless of its accuracy, could further damage our business by affecting our ability to compete for new business with current and prospective customers.

Intense competition in the markets in which we compete could prevent us from increasing or sustaining our revenue and increasing or maintaining profitability.

The business of cloud communications and collaboration services is competitive, and we expect it to become increasingly competitive in the future. We may also face competition from large Internet companies, any of which might launch its own cloud-based business communications services or acquire other cloud-based business communications companies in the future.

In connection with our cloud telephony services, we face competition from incumbent telephone companies, cable companies and alternative voice and video communication providers, including other providers of cloud telephony services. Because most of our target customers are already purchasing communications services from one or more of these providers, our success is dependent upon our ability to attract these customers away from their existing providers. The incumbent telephone companies are our primary competitors in cloud communications and collaboration. These competitors include AT&T, CenturyLink and Verizon Communications as well as rural incumbents, such as Windstream. In addition, in connection with all of our collaboration and communications services, we face competition from traditional private branch exchange, or PBX, providers, including Cisco Systems and Avaya and other providers of cloud telephony and contact center services, such as Comcast, inContact, Microsoft and RingCentral.

Many of our current and potential competitors have longer operating histories, significantly greater resources and brand awareness, and a larger base of customers than we have. As a result, these competitors may have greater credibility with our existing and potential customers. They also may be able to adopt more aggressive pricing policies and devote greater resources to the development, promotion and sale of their products than we can to ours. Our competitors may also offer bundled service arrangements that offer a more complete or better integrated product to customers. Competition could decrease our prices, reduce our sales, lower our gross profits or decrease our market share. In addition, our customers are not subject to long-term contractual commitments to purchase our services and can terminate our service and switch to competitors' offerings on short notice.

Given the significant price competition in the markets for our services, we are at a significant disadvantage compared with many of our competitors, especially those with substantially greater resources who may be better able to withstand an extended period of downward pricing pressure. The adverse impact of a shortfall in our revenues may be magnified by our inability to adjust our expenses to compensate for such shortfall. Announcements, or expectations, as to the introduction of new products and technologies by our competitors or us could cause customers to defer purchases of our existing products, which also could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or operating results.

Because we recognize revenue from customer subscriptions over the term of the relevant contract, the effects of customer additions, cancellations and changes in subscribed services are not immediately reflected in full in our operating results.

As a subscription-based business, we recognize revenue over the term of each of our contracts, which generally range from one to five years. As a result, much of the revenue we report each quarter results from contracts entered into during previous quarters. Consequently, a shortfall in demand for our cloud communications and collaboration services or a decline in new or renewed contracts in any one quarter may not significantly reduce our revenue for that quarter but could negatively affect our revenue in future quarters. Accordingly, the effect of significant downturns in new sales or cancellations of our services and subscriptions from new customers or for additional services from existing customers will impact our ongoing monthly recurring revenue but will not be reflected fully in our operating results until future periods. Our revenue recognition model also makes it difficult for us to rapidly increase our revenue through additional sales in any period, as revenue from new customers must be recognized over the applicable term of the contracts.

We have a history of losses and are uncertain of our future profitability.

We recorded operating income of \$3.1 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014 and ended the period with an accumulated deficit of \$106.7 million. We recorded operating income adjusted for discontinued operations of approximately \$22.7 million and \$8.6 million for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Although we have achieved operating income in each of our four most recent fiscal years, we suffered operating losses in each of the three prior fiscal years and may incur operating losses in the future, which may be substantial. As we expand our geographic reach and service offerings, and further invest in research and development and sales and marketing, we will need to increase revenues in order to generate sustainable operating profit. Given our history of fluctuating revenues and operating losses, we cannot be certain that we will be able to maintain operating profitability on an annual basis or on a quarterly basis in the future.

A higher rate of customer cancellations would negatively affect our business by reducing our revenue or requiring us to spend more money to grow our customer base.

Our customers generally do not have long-term contracts with us and may discontinue their subscriptions for our services after the expiration of their subscription period, which range from one to five years. In addition, our customers may renew for lower subscription amounts or for shorter contract lengths. We may not accurately predict cancellation rates for our customers. Our cancellation rates may increase or fluctuate as a result of a number of factors, including customer usage, pricing changes, number of applications used by our customers, customer satisfaction with our service, the acquisition of our customers by other companies and deteriorating general economic conditions. If our customers do not renew their subscriptions for our service or decrease the amount they spend with us, our revenue will decline and our business will suffer.

Our average monthly business service revenue churn was 1.3% for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014 compared with 1.7% for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2013. Our churn rate could increase in the future if customers are not satisfied with our service. Other factors, including increased competition from other providers of communications and collaborations services, alternative technologies, and adverse business conditions also influence our churn rate.

Because of churn, we must acquire new customers on an ongoing basis to maintain our existing level of customers and revenues. As a result, marketing expenditures are an ongoing requirement of our business. If our churn rate increases, we will have to acquire even more new customers in order to maintain our existing revenues. We incur significant costs to acquire new customers, and those costs are an important factor in determining our net profitability. Therefore, if we are unsuccessful in retaining customers or are required to spend significant amounts to acquire new customers beyond those budgeted, our revenue could decrease and our net income could decrease.

Although the majority of our billing arrangements with customers are prepaid, we regularly monitor the percentage of customers who cease to pay for our services due to closing or downsizing their business. Even though our customer churn rates improved in fiscal 2014, we believe that between 25% and 50% of our total customer churn is related to customers' financial condition and we cannot be certain that we will continue to experience the same improvement in churn rates given current economic conditions. Due to the length of our sales cycle, especially in adding new mid-market and larger distributed enterprises as customers, we may experience delays in acquiring new customers to replace those that have terminated our services. Such delays would be exacerbated if general economic conditions worsen. An increase in churn, particularly in challenging economic times, could have a negative impact on the results of our operations.

The impact of the current economic climate and adverse credit markets may impact demand for our products and services by our targeted customers.

The majority of our existing and target customers are in the SMB and mid-market business sectors. These businesses may be more likely to be significantly affected by economic downturns than larger, more established businesses. They

also may be more likely to require working capital financing from local and regional banks whose lending activities have been reduced substantially since 2008, as a result of which many of our existing and target customers may lack the funds necessary to add new equipment and services such as ours. Additionally, these customers often have limited discretionary funds which they may choose to spend on items other than our products and services. If small and medium businesses continue to experience economic hardship, this could negatively affect the overall demand for our products and services, delay and lengthen sales cycles and lead to slower growth or even a decline in our revenue, net income and cash flows.

The market for cloud communications and collaboration services is subject to rapid technological change, and we depend on new product and service introductions in order to maintain and grow our business.

We operate in an emerging market that is characterized by rapid changes in customer requirements, frequent introductions of new and enhanced products, and continuing and rapid technological advancement. To compete successfully in this emerging market, we must continue to design, develop, manufacture, and sell new and enhanced cloud communications and collaboration products and services that provide higher levels of performance and reliability at lower cost. If we are unable to develop new services that address our customers' needs, to deliver our applications in one seamless integrated product offering that addresses our customers' needs, or to enhance and improve our services in a timely manner, we may not be able to achieve or maintain adequate market acceptance of our services. Our ability to grow is also subject to the risk of future disruptive technologies. Access and use of our services is provided via the cloud, which, itself, has been disruptive to the previous premise-based model. If new technologies emerge that are able to deliver communications and collaboration services at lower prices, more efficiently, more conveniently or more securely, such technologies could adversely impact our ability to compete.

Maintaining adequate research and development personnel and resources is essential to new product development and continued innovation, and we intend to increase our investment in research and development activities to add new features and services to our offerings. If we are unable to develop new features and services internally due to certain constraints, such as high employee turnover, lack of management ability or a lack of other research and development resources, we may miss market opportunities. Further, many of our competitors expend a considerably greater amount of funds on their research and development programs, and those that do not may be acquired by larger companies that would allocate greater resources to our competitors' research and development programs. In addition, there is no guarantee that our research and development efforts will succeed, or that our new products and services will enable us to maintain or grow our revenue or recover our development costs. Our failure to maintain adequate research and development resources, to compete effectively with the research and development programs of our competitors and to successfully monetize our research and development efforts could materially and adversely affect our business and results of operations.

We may not be able to scale our business quickly enough to meet our customers' growing needs and if we are not able to grow efficiently, our operating results could be harmed.

As usage of our communications and collaboration services by mid-market and larger distributed enterprises expands and as customers continue to integrate our services across their enterprises, we will need to devote additional resources to improving our application architecture, integrating our products and applications across our technology platform, integrating with third-party systems, and maintaining infrastructure performance. As our customers gain more experience with our services, the number of users and transactions managed by our services, the amount of data transferred, processed and stored by us, the number of locations where our service is being accessed, and the volume of communications managed by our services have in some cases, and may in the future, expand rapidly. In addition, we will need to appropriately scale our internal business systems and our services organization, including customer support and services, to serve our growing customer base. Any failure of or delay in these efforts could cause impaired system performance and reduced customer satisfaction. These issues could reduce the attractiveness of our cloud communications and collaboration services to customers, resulting in decreased sales to new customers, lower renewal rates by existing customers, the issuance of service credits, or requested refunds, which could hurt our revenue growth and our reputation. Even if we are able to upgrade our systems and expand our staff, any such expansion will be expensive and complex, requiring management time and attention and increasing our operating expenses. We could also face inefficiencies or operational failures as a result of our efforts to scale our infrastructure. Moreover, there are inherent risks associated with upgrading, improving and expanding our information technology systems. We cannot be sure that the expansion and improvements to our infrastructure and systems will be fully or effectively implemented on a timely basis, if at all. These efforts may reduce revenue and our margins and adversely impact our financial results.

To provide our services, we rely on third parties for all of our network connectivity and co-location facilities.

We currently use the infrastructure of third-party network service providers, including the services of Equinix, Inc., and Level 3 Communications, Inc., to provide all of our cloud services over their networks rather than deploying our own networks.

We also rely on third-party network service providers to originate and terminate substantially all of the PTSN calls using our cloud-based services. We leverage the infrastructure of third party network service providers to provide telephone numbers, PSTN call termination and origination services, and local number portability for our customers rather than deploying our own network throughout the United States. This decision has resulted in lower capital and operating costs for our business in the short-term, but has reduced our operating flexibility and ability to make timely service changes. If any of these network service providers cease operations or otherwise terminate the services that we depend on, the delay in switching our technology to

another network service provider, if available, and qualifying this new service provider could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or operating results. The rates we pay to our network service providers may also increase, which may reduce our profitability and increase the retail price of our service.

While we believe that relations with our current service providers are good, and we have contracts in place, there can be no assurance that these service providers will be able or willing to supply cost-effective services to us in the future or that we will be successful in signing up alternative or additional providers. Although we believe that we could replace our current providers, if necessary, our ability to provide service to our subscribers could be impacted during this any such transition, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. The loss of access to, or requirement to change, the telephone numbers we provide to our customers also could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or operating results.

Due to our reliance on these service providers, when problems occur in a network, it may be difficult to identify the source of the problem. The occurrence of hardware and software errors, whether caused by our service or products or those of another vendor, may result in the delay or loss of market acceptance of our products and any necessary revisions may force us to incur significant expenses. The occurrence of some of these types of problems may seriously harm our business, financial condition or operating results.

Our physical infrastructure is concentrated in a few facilities and any failure in our physical infrastructure or services could lead to significant costs and disruptions and could reduce our revenue, harm our business reputation and have a material adverse effect on our financial results.

Our leased network and data centers are subject to various points of failure. Problems with cooling equipment, generators, uninterruptible power supply, routers, switches, or other equipment, whether or not within our control, could result in service interruptions for our customers as well as equipment damage. Because our services do not require geographic proximity of our data centers to our customers, our infrastructure is consolidated into a few large data center facilities. Any failure or downtime in one of our data center facilities could affect a significant percentage of our customers. The total destruction or severe impairment of any of our data center facilities could result in significant downtime of our services and the loss of customer data. Because our ability to attract and retain customers depends on our ability to provide customers with highly reliable service, even minor interruptions in our service could harm our reputation. Additionally, in connection with the expansion or consolidation of our existing data center facilities from time to time, there is an increased risk that service interruptions may occur as a result of server relocation or other unforeseen construction-related issues.

We have experienced interruptions in service in the past. While we have not experienced a material increase in customer attrition following these events, the harm to our reputation is difficult to assess. We have taken and continue to take steps to improve our infrastructure to prevent service interruptions, including upgrading our electrical and mechanical infrastructure. However, service interruptions continue to be a significant risk for us and could materially impact our business.

Any future service interruptions could:

- cause our customers to seek damages for losses incurred;
- require us to replace existing equipment or add redundant facilities;
- affect our reputation as a reliable provider of hosting services;
- cause existing customers to cancel or elect to not renew their contracts; or
- make it more difficult for us to attract new customers.

Any of these events could materially increase our expenses or reduce our revenue, which would have a material adverse effect on our operating results.

We may also be required to transfer our servers to new data center facilities in the event that we are unable to renew our leases on acceptable terms, or at all, or the owners of the facilities decide to close their facilities, and we may incur significant costs and possible service interruption in connection with doing so. In addition, any financial difficulties, such as bankruptcy or foreclosure, faced by our third-party data center operators, or any of the service providers with which we or they contract, may have negative effects on our business, the nature and extent of which are difficult to predict. Additionally, if our data centers

are unable to keep up with our increasing needs for capacity, our ability to grow our business could be materially and adversely impacted.

We depend on third-party vendors for IP phones and software endpoints, and any delay or interruption in supply by these vendors would result in delayed or reduced shipments to our customers and may harm our business.

We rely on third-party vendors for IP phones and software endpoints required to utilize our service. We currently do not have long-term supply contracts with any of these vendors. As a result, most of these third-party vendors are not obligated to provide products or services to us for any specific period, in any specific quantities or at any specific price, except as may be provided in a particular purchase order. The inability of these third-party vendors to deliver IP phones of acceptable quality and in a timely manner, particularly the sole source vendors, could adversely affect our operating results or cause them to fluctuate more than anticipated. Additionally, some of our products may require specialized or high-performance component parts that may not be available in quantities or in time frames that meet our requirements.

If we do not or cannot maintain the compatibility of our communications and collaboration software with third-party applications and mobile platforms that our customers use in their businesses, our revenue will decline.

The functionality and popularity of our communications and collaboration services depends, in part, on our ability to integrate our services with third-party applications and platforms, including enterprise resource planning, customer relations management, human capital management and other proprietary application suites. Third-party providers of applications and application programmable interfaces, or APIs, may change the features of their applications and platforms, restrict our access to their applications and platforms or alter the terms governing use of their applications and APIs and access to those applications and platforms in an adverse manner. Such changes could functionally limit or terminate our ability to use these third-party applications and platforms in conjunction with our services, which could negatively impact our offerings and harm our business. If we fail to integrate our software with new third-party back- end enterprise applications and platforms used by our customers, we may not be able to offer the functionality that our customers need, which would negatively impact our ability to generate revenue and adversely impact our business.

Our services also allow our customers to use and manage our cloud communications and collaboration services on smartphones, tablets and other mobile devices. As new smart devices and operating systems are released, we may encounter difficulties supporting these devices and services, and we may need to devote significant resources to the creation, support, and maintenance of our mobile applications. In addition, if we experience difficulties in the future integrating our mobile applications into smartphones, tablets or other mobile devices or if problems arise with our relationships with providers of mobile operating systems, such as those of Apple Inc. or Google Inc., our future growth and our results of operations could suffer.

If our software fails due to defects or similar problems, and if we fail to correct any defect or other software problems, we could lose customers, become subject to service performance or warranty claims or incur significant costs.

Our customers use our service to manage important aspects of their businesses, and any errors, defects, disruptions to our service or other performance problems with our service could hurt our reputation and may damage our customers' businesses. Our services and the systems infrastructure underlying our communications and collaboration platform incorporate software that is highly technical and complex. Our software has contained, and may now or in the future contain, undetected errors, bugs, or vulnerabilities. Some errors in our software code may only be discovered after the code has been released. Any errors, bugs, or vulnerabilities discovered in our code after release could result in damage to our reputation, loss of users, loss of revenue, or liability for damages, any of which could adversely affect our business and financial results. We implement bug fixes and upgrades as part of our regularly scheduled system

maintenance, which may lead to system downtime. Even if we are able to implement the bug fixes and upgrades in a timely manner, any history of defects, or the loss, damage or inadvertent release of confidential customer data, could cause our reputation to be harmed, and customers may elect not to purchase or renew their agreements with us and subject us to service performance credits, warranty claims or increased insurance costs. The costs associated with any material defects or errors in our software or other performance problems may be substantial and could materially adversely affect our operating results.

Our inability to use software licensed from third parties, or our use of open source software under license terms that interfere with our proprietary rights, could disrupt our business.

Our technology platform incorporates software licensed from third parties, including some software, known as open source software, which we use without charge. Although we monitor our use of open source software, the terms of many open source licenses to which we are subject have not been interpreted by U.S. or foreign courts, and there is a risk that such licenses could

be construed in a manner that imposes unanticipated conditions or restrictions on our ability to provide our platform to our customers, content creators and brand advertisers. In the future, we could be required to seek licenses from third parties in order to continue offering our platform, which licenses may not be available on terms that are acceptable to us, or at all. Alternatively, we may need to re-engineer our platform or discontinue use of portions of the functionality provided by our platform. In addition, the terms of open source software licenses may require us to provide software that we develop using such software to others on unfavorable license terms. Our inability to use third party software could result in disruptions to our business, or delays in the development of future offerings or enhancements of existing offerings, which could impair our business.

Our business depends on continued, unimpeded access to the Internet by us and our users, but Internet access providers and Internet backbone providers may be able to block, degrade or charge for access to or bandwidth use of certain of our products and services, which could lead to additional expenses and the loss of users.

Our products and services depend on the ability of our users to access the Internet, and certain of our products require significant bandwidth to work effectively. In addition, users who access our services and applications through mobile devices, such as smartphones and tablets, must have a high-speed connection, such as Wi-Fi, 3G, 4G or LTE, to use our services and applications. Currently, this access is provided by companies that have significant and increasing market power in the broadband and Internet access marketplace, including incumbent telephone companies, cable companies and mobile communications companies. Some of these providers offer products and services that directly compete with our own offerings, which give them a significant competitive advantage. Some of these providers have stated that they may take measures that could degrade, disrupt or increase the cost of user access to certain of our products by restricting or prohibiting the use of their infrastructure to support or facilitate our offerings, or by charging increased fees to us or our users to provide our offerings, while others, including some of the largest providers of broadband Internet access services, have committed to not engaging in such behavior. These providers have the ability generally to increase their rates, which may effectively increase the cost to our customers of using our cloud communications and collaboration services.

On January 14, 2014, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit vacated and remanded part of the Commission's Open Internet rules. Subsequently, on May 15, 2014, the Federal Communications Commission or FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to consider new rules. We cannot predict the outcome of this rulemaking or predict whether any new rules will be subject to a legal appeal. Although we believe interference with access to our products and services is unlikely, broadband Internet access provider interference has occurred in limited circumstances in the United States and could result in a loss of existing users and increased costs, and could impair our ability to attract new users, thereby negatively impacting our revenue and growth.

Vulnerabilities to security breaches, cyber intrusions and other malicious acts could adversely impact our business.

Our operations depend on our ability to protect our network from interruption by damage from unauthorized entry, computer viruses or other events beyond our control. In the past, we may have been subject to denial or disruption of service, or DDOS, attacks by hackers intent on bringing down our services, and we may be subject to DDOS attacks in the future. We cannot assure you that our backup systems, regular data backups, security protocols, DDOS mitigation and other procedures that are currently in place, or that may be in place in the future, will be adequate to prevent significant damage, system failure or data loss.

Critical to our provision of service is the storage, processing, and transmission of confidential and sensitive data. We store, process and transmit a wide variety of confidential and sensitive information including credit card, bank account and other financial information, proprietary, trade secret or other data that may be protected by intellectual property laws, customers' and employees' personally identifiable information, as well as other sensitive information. We, along with others in the industry, will be subject to cyber threats and security breaches, either by third parties or employees, given the nature of the information we store, process and transmit. Our continued ability to securely store, process and transmit data is essential to our business.

We are aware of the risks associated with cyber threats and we have implemented a number of measures to protect ourselves from cyber attacks. Specifically, we have redundant servers such that if we suffer equipment or software failures in one location or on one set of servers, we have the ability to provide continuity of service. We actively monitor our network for cyber threats and implement protective measures periodically. We conduct vulnerability assessments and penetration testing and engage in remedial action based on such assessments. Depending on the evolving nature of cyber threats and the measures we may have to implement to continue to maintain the security of our networks and data, our profitability may be adversely be impacted or we may have to increase the price of our services that may make our offerings less competitive with other communications providers.

But, like all other companies in the marketplace, there is no guarantee that we will not be adversely impacted by cyber attacks. If our employees or third parties obtain unauthorized access to our network, or if our network is penetrated, our service could be disrupted and sensitive information could be lost, stolen or disclosed which could have a variety of negative impacts, including legal liability, investigations by federal and state law enforcement agencies, and exposure to fines or penalties, any of which could harm our business reputation and have a material negative impact on our business. In addition, to the extent we market our services as compliant with particular laws governing data privacy and security, such as HIPAA, a security breach that exposes protected information may make us susceptible to claims of false advertising and unfair trade practices for misrepresenting our level of compliance, in addition to any liability we may have for the breach itself.

Many governments have enacted laws requiring companies to notify individuals of data security incidents involving certain types of personal data. In addition, some of our customers contractually require notification of any data security compromise. Security compromises experienced by our competitors, by our customers or by us may lead to public disclosures, which may lead to widespread negative publicity. Any security compromise in our industry, whether actual or perceived, could harm our reputation, erode customer confidence in the effectiveness of our security measures, negatively impact our ability to attract new customers, cause existing customers to elect not to renew their subscriptions or subject us to third-party lawsuits, regulatory fines or other action or liability, which could materially and adversely affect our business and operating results.

There can be no assurance that any limitations of liability provisions in our contracts for a security breach would be enforceable or adequate or would otherwise protect us from any such liabilities or damages with respect to any particular claim. We also cannot be sure that our existing general liability insurance coverage and coverage for errors or omissions will continue to be available on acceptable terms or will be available in sufficient amounts to cover one or more large claims, or that the insurer will not deny coverage as to any future claim. The successful assertion of one or more large claims against us that exceed available insurance coverage, or the occurrence of changes in our insurance policies, including premium increases or the imposition of large deductible or co-insurance requirements, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and operating results.

Failure to comply with laws and contractual obligations related to data privacy and protection could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and operating results.

We are subject to the data privacy and protection laws and regulations adopted by federal, state and foreign governmental agencies. Data privacy and protection is highly regulated, and may become the subject of additional regulation in the future. Privacy laws restrict our storage, use, processing, disclosure, transfer and protection of non-public personal information, including credit card data, provided to us by our customers. We strive to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies and legal obligations relating to privacy and data protection. However, it is possible that these requirements may be interpreted and applied in a manner that is inconsistent from one jurisdiction to another and may conflict with other rules or our practices. We are also subject to the privacy and data protection-related obligations in our contracts with our customers and other third parties. Any failure, or perceived failure, by us to comply with federal, state, or international laws, including laws and regulations regulating privacy, data or consumer protection, or to comply with our contractual obligations related to privacy, could result in proceedings or actions against us by governmental entities or others, which could result in significant liability to us as well as harm to our reputation.

We could be liable for breaches of security on our website, fraudulent activities of our users, or the failure of third party vendors to deliver credit card transaction processing services.

A fundamental requirement for operating an Internet-based, worldwide communication and collaboration service and electronically billing our customers is the secure transmission of confidential information and media over public networks. Although we have developed systems and processes that are designed to protect consumer information and prevent fraudulent credit card transactions and other security breaches, failure to mitigate such fraud or breaches may

adversely affect our operating results. The law relating to the liability of providers of online payment services is currently unsettled and states may enact their own rules with which we may not comply. We rely on third party providers to process and guarantee payments made by our subscribers up to certain limits, and we may be unable to prevent our customers from fraudulently receiving goods and services. Our liability risk will increase if a larger fraction of transactions effected using our cloud-based services involve fraudulent or disputed credit card transactions. Any costs we incur as a result of fraudulent or disputed transactions could harm our business. In addition, the functionality of our current billing system relies on certain third party vendors delivering services. If these vendors are unable or unwilling to provide services, we will not be able to charge for our services in a timely or scalable fashion, which could significantly decrease our revenue and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and operating results.

We must maintain Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard, or PCI DSS, compliance to bill our customers via credit card. If we fail to meet minimum-security standards for PCI DSS compliance, credit card providers such as American Express Company or Visa Inc. could refuse to process credit card transactions on our behalf and our ability to collect payments from our customers would be adversely impacted.

We may also experience losses due to subscriber fraud and theft of service. Subscribers have, in the past, obtained access to our service without paying for monthly service and international toll calls by unlawfully using our authorization codes or by submitting fraudulent credit card information. To date, such losses from unauthorized credit card transactions and theft of service have not been significant. We have implemented anti-fraud procedures in order to control losses relating to these practices, but these procedures may not be adequate to effectively limit all of our exposure in the future from fraud. If our procedures are not effective, consumer fraud and theft of service could significantly decrease our revenue and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and operating results. In addition, software and security flaws in our software can result in unauthorized access to our core network resulting in damages such as fraudulent toll usage on our network.

Additionally, third parties have attempted in the past, and may attempt in the future, to fraudulently induce domestic and international employees, consultants or customers into disclosing sensitive information, such as user names, passwords or customer proprietary network information, or CPNI, or other information in order to gain access to our customers' data or to our data. CPNI includes information such as the phone numbers called by a consumer, the frequency, duration, and timing of such calls, and any services/features purchased by the consumer, such as call waiting, call forwarding, and caller ID, in addition to other information that may appear on a consumer's bill.

Natural disasters, war, terrorist attacks or malicious conduct could adversely impact our operations that could degrade or impede our ability to offer services.

As a provider of "cloud-based" services, our services rely on uninterrupted connection to the Internet through data centers and networks. Any interruption or disruption to our network, or the third parties on which we rely, could adversely impact our ability to provide service. Our network could be disrupted by circumstances outside of our control including natural disasters, acts of war, terrorist attacks or other malicious acts including, but not limited to, cyber attacks. Our headquarters, global networks operations center and one of our third- party data center facilities are located in the San Francisco Bay Area, a region known for seismic activity. Should any of these events occur and interfere with our ability to operate our network even for a limited period of time, we could incur significant expenses, lose substantial amounts of revenue, suffer damage to our reputation, and lose customers. Such an event may also impede our customers' connections to our network, since these connections also occur over the Internet, and would be perceived by our customers as an interruption of our services, even though such interruption would be beyond our control. Any of these events could have a material adverse impact on our business.

We license technology from third parties that we do not control and cannot be assured of retaining.

We rely upon certain technology, including hardware and software, licensed from third parties. There can be no assurance that the technology licensed by us will continue to provide competitive features and functionality or that licenses for technology currently utilized by us or other technology which we may seek to license in the future, will be available to us on commercially reasonable terms or at all. The loss of, or inability to maintain, existing licenses could result in delays or reductions in the installation and deployment of our cloud communications and collaboration services until equivalent technology or suitable alternative products could be developed, identified, licensed and integrated, and could harm our business. Software defects in the core IP and networking hardware we license from vendors, over which we have little or no control, can adversely affect our ability to deliver services to our customers and could harm our business. These licenses are on standard commercial terms made generally available by the companies providing the licenses. The cost and terms of these licenses individually are not material to our business.

Our infringement of a third party's proprietary technology could disrupt our business.

There has been substantial litigation in the communications, cloud telephony services, semiconductor, electronics, and related industries regarding intellectual property rights and, from time to time, third parties may claim that we, our customers, our licensees or parties' indemnified by us are infringing, misappropriating or otherwise violating their intellectual property rights. Third parties may also claim that our employees have misappropriated or divulged their former employers' trade secrets or confidential information. Our broad range of current and former technology, including IP telephony systems, digital and analog circuits, software, and semiconductors, increases the likelihood that third parties may claim infringement by us of their

intellectual property rights. For example, on May 2, 2008, we received a letter from AT&T Intellectual Property, L.L.C., or AT&T IP, expressing the belief that we must license a specified patent for use in our 8x8 broadband telephone service, as well as suggesting that we obtain a license to its portfolio of MPEG-4 patents for use with our video telephone products and services. At the same time, we began an evaluation of whether AT&T IP's affiliated entities may need to license any of our patents or other intellectual property. We have continued to engage in discussions with AT&T IP to explore a mutually agreeable resolution of the parties' respective assertions regarding these intellectual property issues. We are unable at this time to state whether we will enter into any license or cross-license agreements with AT&T IP or whether we ultimately anticipate any material effects on our operating results or financial condition as a consequence of these matters.

Certain technology necessary for us to provide our services may, in fact, be patented by other parties either now or in the future. If such technology were held under patent by another person, we would have to negotiate a license for the use of that technology, which we may not be able to negotiate at a price that is acceptable or at all. The existence of such a patent, or our inability to negotiate a license for any such technology on acceptable terms, could force us to cease using such technology and offering products and services incorporating such technology.

We have recently been named as defendants in four patent infringement lawsuits. On February 22, 2011, we were named a defendant in a lawsuit, Bear Creek Technologies, Inc. v. 8x8, Inc. et al., along with 20 other defendants. On October 25, 2011, we were named a defendant in a lawsuit, Klausner Technologies, Inc. v. Oracle Corporation et al., along with 30 other defendants. On March 31, 2014, we were named a defendant in a lawsuit, CallWave Communications LLC v. 8x8, Inc. On April 23, 2014, we were named but not served as a defendant in a lawsuit, TQP Development LLC v. 8x8, Inc. On April 30, 2014 (and before any service of the complaint), TOP Development filed papers to dismiss this lawsuit and other lawsuits that were filed on or about the same time. If we are found to be infringing on the intellectual property rights of any third party in these lawsuits or other claims and proceedings that may be asserted against us in the future, we could be subject to monetary liabilities for such infringement, which could be material. We could also be required to refrain from using, manufacturing or selling certain products or using certain processes, either of which could have a material adverse effect on our business and operating results. From time to time, we have received, and may continue to receive in the future, notices of claims of infringement, misappropriation or misuse of other parties' proprietary rights. There can be no assurance that we will prevail in these discussions and actions or that other actions alleging infringement by us of third party patents will not be asserted or prosecuted against us. Furthermore, lawsuits like these may require significant time and expense to defend, may divert management's attention away from other aspects of our operations and, upon resolution, may have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. More information regarding the four pending suits is provided under Part I, Item 3 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014.

Inability to protect our proprietary technology would disrupt our business.

We rely, in part, on trademark, copyright, and trade secret law to protect our intellectual property in the United States and abroad. We seek to protect our software, documentation, and other written materials under trade secret and copyright law, which afford only limited protection. We also rely, in part, on patent law to protect our intellectual property in the United States and internationally. As of March 31, 2014, we had been awarded 92 United States patents, more than 60 of which we currently hold and which we expect to expire between 2014 and 2032. We have additional United States and foreign patents pending. We cannot predict whether such pending patent applications will result in issued patents, and if they do, whether such patents will effectively protect our intellectual property. The intellectual property rights we obtain may not be sufficient to provide us with a competitive advantage, and could be challenged, invalidated, infringed or misappropriated. We may not be able to protect our proprietary rights in the United States or internationally (where effective intellectual property protection may be unavailable or limited), and competitors may independently develop technologies that are similar or superior to our technology, duplicate our technology or design around any patent of ours.

We attempt to further protect our proprietary technology and content by requiring our employees and consultants to enter into confidentiality and assignment of inventions agreements and third parties to enter into nondisclosure agreements. These agreements may not effectively prevent unauthorized use or disclosure of our confidential information, intellectual property or technology and may not provide an adequate remedy in the event of unauthorized use or disclosure of our confidential information, intellectual property or technology.

Litigation may be necessary in the future to enforce our intellectual property rights, to determine the validity and scope of our proprietary rights or the rights of others, or to defend against claims of infringement or invalidity. Such litigation could result in substantial costs and diversion of management time and resources and could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and operating results. Any settlement or adverse determination in such litigation would also subject us to significant liability.

We may also be required to protect our proprietary technology and content in an increasing number of jurisdictions, a process that is expensive and may not be successful, or which we may not pursue in every location. In addition, effective intellectual property protection may not be available to us in every country, and the laws of some foreign countries may not be as protective of intellectual property rights as those in the United States. Additional uncertainty may result from changes to intellectual property legislation enacted in the United States and elsewhere, and from interpretations of intellectual property laws by applicable courts and agencies. Accordingly, despite our efforts, we may be unable to obtain and maintain the intellectual property rights necessary to provide us with a competitive advantage.

Acquisitions may divert our management's attention, result in dilution to our stockholders and consume resources that are necessary to sustain our business.

On November 29, 2013, we acquired Voicenet Solutions Limited ("Voicenet"), a UK-based provider of cloud communications and collaboration services in the United Kingdom. In fiscal 2012, we completed two acquisitions of businesses. In fiscal 2011, we completed one acquisition and one investment in another company. If appropriate opportunities present themselves, we may make additional acquisitions or investments or enter into joint ventures or strategic alliances with other companies. Risks commonly encountered in such transactions include:

- the difficulty of assimilating the operations and personnel of the combined companies;
- the risk that we may not be able to integrate the acquired services or technologies with our current services, products, and technologies;
- the potential disruption of our ongoing business;
- the diversion of management attention from our existing business;
- the inability of management to maximize our financial and strategic position through the successful integration of the acquired businesses;
- difficulty in maintaining controls, procedures, and policies;
- the impairment of relationships with employees, suppliers, and customers as a result of any integration;
- the loss of an acquired base of customers and accompanying revenue;
- the assumption of leased facilities, other long-term commitments or liabilities that could have a material adverse impact on our profitability and cash flow; and
- the dilution to our existing stockholders from the issuance of additional shares of common stock or reduction of earnings per outstanding share in connection with an acquisition that fails to increase the value of our company.

As a result of these potential problems and risks, among others, businesses that we may acquire or invest in may not produce the revenue, earnings, or business synergies that we anticipate. In addition, there can be no assurance that any potential transaction will be successfully completed or that, if completed, the acquired business or investment will generate sufficient revenue to offset the associated costs or other potential harmful effects on our business.

Our future operating results may vary substantially from period to period and may be difficult to predict.

Our historical operating results have fluctuated significantly and will likely continue to fluctuate in the future, and a decline in our operating results could cause our stock price to fall. On an annual and a quarterly basis, there are a number of factors that may affect our operating results, many of which are outside our control. These include, but are not limited to:

- changes in market demand;
- the timing of customer subscriptions for our cloud communications and collaboration services;
- customer cancellations;

- changes in the competitive dynamics of our market, including consolidation among competitors or customers;
- lengthy sales cycles and/or regulatory approval cycles;
- new product introductions by us or our competitors;
- market acceptance of new or existing services and features;
- the mix of our customer base and sales channels;
- the mix of services sold;
- the number of additional customers, on a net basis;
- the amount and timing of costs associated with recruiting, training and integrating new employees;
- unforeseen costs and expenses related to the expansion of our business, operations and infrastructure;
- continued compliance with industry standards and regulatory requirements;
- introduction and adoption of our cloud communications and collaboration services in markets outside of the United States; and
- general economic conditions.

Due to these a