UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): July 30, 2020

	CRA INTERNATION	AL, INC.
	(Exact name of registrant as specifi	ied in its charter)
Massachusetts	000-24049	04-2372210
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	(IRS employer
of incorporation)	file number)	identification no.)
200 Clarendon Street, Boston, Massachusetts		02116
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code:	(617) 425-3000	
(Form	ner Name or Former Address, if Cha	nged Since Last Report)
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S	ecurities registered pursuant to Sect	ion 12(b) of the Act:
Title of Each Class Common Stock, no par value	Trading Symbol CRAI	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered Nasdaq Global Select Market
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is ar chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange		ned in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this pter).
Emerging growth company \square		
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check or revised financial accounting standards provided		ot to use the extended transition period for complying with any new change Act. \Box

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 30, 2020, we issued a press release reporting our financial results for our fiscal quarter ended June 27, 2020. A copy of the press release is set forth as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein. On July 30, 2020, we also posted on our website supplemental financial information, including prepared CFO remarks. A copy of the supplemental financial information is set forth as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated by reference herein.

The information contained in Item 2.02 of this report and Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On July 30, 2020, we announced that our board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend on our common stock of \$0.23 per share to be paid on September 14, 2020 to all shareholders of record as of August 25, 2020. A copy of the press release is set forth as Exhibit 99.3 and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information contained in Item 7.01 of this report and Exhibit 99.3 attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

<u>Number</u>	<u>Title</u>
<u>99.1</u>	July 30, 2020 earnings press release
99.2	Supplemental financial information (prepared CFO remarks)
99.3	July 30, 2020 dividend press release
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURES

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

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Dated: July 30, 2020 By: /s/ Daniel Mahoney

Daniel Mahoney

Chief Financial Officer, Executive Vice President and Treasurer

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CHARLES RIVER ASSOCIATES (CRA) REPORTS FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2020

CRA Reports Highest Q2 Revenue in Its History; Strength Across Services and Geographies Drives Growth in Revenue and Profits

BOSTON, July 30, 2020 – <u>Charles River Associates</u> (NASDAQ: CRAI), a worldwide leader in providing <u>economic, financial and management consulting services</u>, today announced financial results for the fiscal second quarter ended June 27, 2020.

Key Second-Quarter Fiscal 2020 Highlights

- · Revenue grew 11.3% year over year to \$123.0 million.
- Utilization was 66%, while quarter-end headcount was relatively unchanged compared with the first quarter of 2020 and increased 20.8% year over year.
- Net income increased 6.3% year over year to \$5.9 million, or 4.8% of revenue, compared with \$5.6 million, or 5.0% of revenue, in the second quarter of fiscal 2019; non-GAAP net income increased 4.7% year over year to \$6.3 million, or 5.2% of revenue, compared with \$6.1 million, or 5.5% of revenue, in the second quarter of fiscal 2019.
- Earnings per diluted share increased 10.3% year over year to \$0.75; non-GAAP earnings per diluted share increased 9.6% year over year to \$0.80.
- · Non-GAAP EBITDA increased 2.0% to \$11.9 million, or 9.7% of revenue, compared with \$11.7 million, or 10.6% of revenue, in the second quarter of fiscal 2019.
- On a constant currency basis relative to the second quarter of fiscal 2019, revenue would have been higher by \$0.8 million, GAAP net income would have been higher by \$0.1 million, and GAAP earnings per diluted share would have remained unchanged. Non-GAAP net income, earnings per diluted share and EBITDA would have been higher by \$0.1 million, \$0.01 per diluted share, \$0.1 million, respectively.
- · CRA made dividend payments of \$1.8 million during the quarter.

Management Commentary

"Our first priority is the health and well-being of our people as we continue to address our clients' most important business challenges," said <u>Paul Maleh</u>, CRA's President and Chief Executive Officer. "We are focused on providing our colleagues with a foundation of stability and safety during this unprecedented time. Although our offices remain open and capable of hosting our colleagues, we have asked everyone to work from home whenever possible."

"Continuing to build on a record fiscal 2019, CRA reported its highest second-quarter revenue in our company's history. These results were led by double-digit revenue growth year over year in each of our Finance, Forensic Services, and Life Sciences practices, and continued strong contributions from our Labor & Employment and Risk, Investigations & Analytics practices. Geographically, we continue to see strong demand for our services resulting in revenue growth of 14.1% in our North American operations and 3.6% internationally on a constant currency basis."

"Although we entered the year with lofty revenue expectations as evidenced by the increase in our headcount, we still grew second quarter profits year over year by effectively managing our consulting services and overhead. Combining the revenue and profit growth of the second quarter with our strong Q1 performance, on a constant currency basis, we have increased revenue by 15.7% to \$250.3 million and non-GAAP EBITDA by 24.2% to \$25.1 million, achieving a margin of 10.0%. Although we are pleased with our performance through the second quarter, we recognize the challenges and uncertainties that accompany the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. We remain confident that the same factors that have driven our success in recent years will continue to drive our performance in the months and years ahead," Maleh concluded.

Quarterly Dividend

On July 30, 2020, CRA's Board of Directors announced a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.23 per common share, payable on September 14, 2020 to shareholders of record as of August 25, 2020. CRA expects to continue paying quarterly dividends, the declaration, timing and amounts of which remain subject to the discretion of CRA's Board of Directors.

Conference Call Information and Prepared CFO Remarks

CRA will host a conference call today at 10:00 a.m. ET to discuss its second-quarter 2020 financial results. To listen to the live call, please visit the "Investor Relations" section of CRA's website at http://www.crai.com, or dial (877) 709-8155 or (201) 689-8881. An archived version of the webcast will be available on CRA's website for one year.

In combination with this press release, CRA has posted prepared remarks by its CFO Dan Mahoney under "<u>Conference Call Materials</u>" in the "<u>Investor Relations</u>" section on CRA's website at http://www.crai.com. These remarks are offered to provide the investment community with additional background on CRA's financial results prior to the start of the conference call.

About Charles River Associates (CRA)

Charles River Associates® is a leading global consulting firm specializing in <u>economic, financial, and management consulting services</u>. CRA advises clients on economic and financial matters pertaining to litigation and regulatory proceedings, and guides corporations through critical business strategy and performance-related issues. Since 1965, clients have engaged CRA for its unique combination of functional expertise and industry knowledge, and for its objective solutions to complex problems. Headquartered in Boston, CRA has offices throughout the world. Detailed information about Charles River Associates, a registered trade name of CRA International, Inc., is available at <u>www.crai.com</u>. Follow us on <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Facebook</u>.

NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

In this release, CRA has supplemented the presentation of its financial results calculated in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles or "GAAP" with financial measures that were not calculated in accordance with GAAP. CRA believes that the non-GAAP financial measures described in this press release are important to management and investors because these measures supplement the understanding of CRA's ongoing operating results and financial condition. In addition, these non-GAAP measures are used by CRA in its budgeting process, and the non-GAAP adjustments described below are made to the performance measures for some of CRA's performance-based compensation.

The adjustments made to the financial measures identified in this release as "non-GAAP" are as follows: for each of the periods presented, the adjustments exclude non-cash amounts relating to valuation changes in contingent consideration and related tax effects. This release also presents certain current fiscal period financial measures on a "constant currency" basis in order to isolate the effect that foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations can have on CRA's financial results. These constant currency measures are determined by recalculating the current fiscal period local currency financial measure using the specified corresponding prior fiscal period's foreign exchange rates. On a constant currency basis relative to the first half of 2019, revenue would have been higher by \$1.1 million and EBITDA would have been higher by \$0.3 million. Finally, this release also presents the non-GAAP financial metric EBITDA.

All of the non-GAAP financial measures referred to above should be considered in conjunction with, and not as a substitute for, the GAAP financial information presented in this release. EBITDA and the financial measures identified in this release as "non-GAAP" are reconciled to their GAAP comparable measures in the financial tables appended to the end of this press release. In evaluating these non-GAAP financial measures, note that the non-GAAP financial measures used by CRA may be calculated differently from, and therefore may not be comparable to, similarly titled measures used by other companies.

SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT

Statements in this press release concerning our future business, operating results and financial condition, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, our ability to effectively provide our services remotely, the impact of exchange rate fluctuations on our financial results, our expectations regarding continued growth, our expectations regarding the payment of any future quarterly dividends and the level and extent of any purchases under our share repurchase program, and statements using the terms "outlook," "expect," or similar expressions, are "forward-looking" statements as defined in Section 21 of the Exchange Act. These statements are based upon our current expectations and various underlying assumptions. Although we believe there is a reasonable basis for these statements and assumptions, and these statements are expressed in good faith, these statements are subject to a number of additional factors and uncertainties. Our actual performance and results may differ materially from the performance and results contained in or implied by the forwardlooking statements made herein, due to many important factors. These factors include, but are not limited to, the possibility that the demand for our services may decline as a result of changes in general and industry specific economic conditions; the timing of engagements for our services; the effects of competitive services and pricing; our ability to attract and retain key employee or non-employee experts; the inability to integrate and utilize existing consultants and personnel; the decline or reduction in project work or activity; global economic conditions including less stable political and economic environments; the extent and duration of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our operations and results, including the effects on the financial health of our clients, and the impact of the imposition of public health measures and travel, health-related, business and other restrictions; foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations; unanticipated expenses and liabilities; risks inherent in international operations; changes in tax law or accounting standards, rules, and regulations; our ability to collect on forgivable loans should any become due; and professional and other legal liability or settlements. Additional risks and uncertainties are discussed in our periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the heading "Risk Factors" (all of which risks may be amplified by the COVID-19 pandemic). The inclusion of such forward-looking information should not be regarded as our representation that the future events, plans, or expectations contemplated will be achieved. Except as may be required by law, we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statements after the date of this press release, and we do not intend to do so.

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE FISCAL QUARTERS AND FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE PERIODS ENDED JUNE 27, 2020 COMPARED TO JUNE 29, 2019

(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)

			Fisca	l Quar	ter	Ended		Fiscal Year-to-Date Period Ended							
	June 202		As a 9		J	une 29, 2019	 % of enue		ıne 27, 2020	As a Reve			ıne 29, 2019	As a % of Revenue	
Revenues	\$ 123	3,031	1	00.0%	\$	110,573	 100.0%	\$ 2	249,189		100.0%	\$ 2	216,422	100.0%	
Cost of services (exclusive of depreciation															
and amortization)	90	,168		73.3%		75,972	68.7%	1	181,165		72.7%		149,607	69.1%	
Selling, general and administrative															
expenses	21	,418		17.4%		23,737	21.5%		45,541		18.3%		46,480	21.5%	
Depreciation and amortization	3	,106		2.5%		2,553	2.3%		6,049		2.4%		5,169	2.4%	
Income from operations	8	3,339		6.8%		8,311	7.5%		16,434		6.6%		15,166	7.0%	
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Interest expense, net		(372)		-0.3%		(519)	-0.5%		(734)		-0.3%		(530)	-0.2%	
Foreign currency gains (losses), net		(102)		-0.1%		155	0.1%		1,320		0.5%		(589)	-0.3%	
Income before provision for income taxes	7	,865		6.4%		7,947	7.2%		17,020		6.8%		14,047	6.5%	
Provision for income taxes	1	,934		1.6%		2,367	2.1%		4,621		1.9%		3,802	1.8%	
Net income	_	,931		4.8%	\$	5,580	5.0%	\$	12,399		5.0%	\$	10,245	4.7%	
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Net income per share:															
Basic	\$	0.76			\$	0.70		\$	1.59			\$	1.28		
Diluted	\$	0.75			\$	0.68		\$	1.55			\$	1.23		
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Weighted average number of shares outstanding:															
Basic	7	,764				7,925			7,784				7,970		
Diluted		,920				8,218			7,979				8,282		

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

FOR THE FISCAL QUARTERS AND FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE PERIODS ENDED JUNE 27, 2020 COMPARED TO JUNE 29, 2019 (IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)

			Fiscal Quar	tei	r Ended		Fiscal Year-to-Date Period Ended								
	Jı	une 27, As a % of June 29, 2020 Revenue 2019		,	As a % of Revenue	J	June 27, 2020	As a % of Revenue		June 29, 2019		As a % of Revenue			
Revenues	\$	123,031	100.0%	\$	110,573	100.0%	\$	249,189		100.0%	\$	216,422	100.0%		
				_			_				_				
Net income	\$	5,931	4.8%	\$	5,580	5.0%	\$	12,399		5.0%	\$	10,245	4.7%		
Adjustments needed to reconcile GAAP net income to non-GAAP net income:															
Non-cash valuation change in															
contingent consideration		566	0.5%		651	0.6%		996		0.4%		434	0.2%		
Tax effect on adjustments		(153)	-0.1%		(174)	-0.2%		(270)		-0.1%		(116)	-0.1%		
Non-GAAP net income	\$	6,344	5.2%	\$	6,057	5.5%	\$	13,125	_	5.3%	\$	10,563	4.9%		
Non-GAAP net income per share:															
Basic	\$	0.81		\$	0.76		\$	1.68			\$	1.32			
Diluted	\$	0.80		\$	0.73		\$	1.64			\$	1.27			
Weighted average number of shares															
outstanding:															
Basic		7,764			7,925			7,784				7,970			
Diluted		7,920		_	8,218			7,979			_	8,282			

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CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES FOR THE FISCAL QUARTERS AND FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE PERIODS ENDED JUNE 27, 2020 COMPARED TO JUNE 29, 2019 (IN THOUSANDS)

		Fiscal Quart	ter Ended		Fiscal Year-to-Date Period Ended							
	June 27,	As a % of	June 29,	As a % of	June 27,	As a % of	June 29,	As a % of				
	2020	Revenue	2019	Revenue	2020	Revenue	2019	Revenue				
Revenues	\$ 123,031	100.0%	\$ 110,573	100.0%	\$ 249,189	100.0%	\$ 216,422	100.0%				
Net income	\$ 5,931	4.8%	\$ 5,580	5.0%	\$ 12,399	5.0%	\$ 10,245	4.7%				
Adjustments needed to reconcile GAAP												
net income to non-GAAP net income:												
Non-cash valuation change in												
contingent consideration	566	0.5%	651	0.6%	996	0.4%	434	0.2%				
Tax effect on adjustments	(153)	-0.1%	(174)	-0.2%	(270)	-0.1%	(116)	-0.1%				
Non-GAAP net income	\$ 6,344	5.2%	\$ 6,057	5.5%	\$ 13,125	5.3%	\$ 10,563	4.9%				
Adjustments needed to reconcile non-												
GAAP net income to non-GAAP												
EBITDA:												
Interest expense, net	372	0.3%	519	0.5%	734	0.3%	530	0.2%				
Provision for income taxes	2,087	1.7%	2,541	2.3%	4,891	2.0%	3,918	1.8%				
Depreciation and amortization	3,106	2.5%	2,553	2.3%	6,049	2.4%	5,169	2.4%				
Non-GAAP EBITDA	\$ 11,909	9.7%	\$ 11,670	10.6%	\$ 24,799	10.0%	\$ 20,180	9.3%				

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (IN THOUSANDS)

	J	une 27, 2020	De	cember 28, 2019
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	18,807	\$	25,639
Accounts receivable and unbilled services, net		152,031		144,410
Other current assets		19,119		14,028
Total current assets		189,957		184,077
Property and equipment, net		65,402		61,295
Goodwill and intangible assets, net		93,704		94,980
Right-of-use assets		122,983		130,173
Other assets		76,543		62,718
Total assets	\$	548,589	\$	533,243
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	ф	22.004	Φ.	20.000
Accounts payable	\$	20,894	\$	26,069
Accrued expenses		82,199		121,301
Current portion of lease liabilities		13,208		12,847
Revolving line of credit		59,000		-
Other current liabilities		22,223		11,193
Total current liabilities		197,524		171,410
Non-current portion of lease liabilities		141,528		146,551
Other non-current liabilities		7,322		17,531
Total liabilities		346,374		335,492
Total shareholders' equity		202 215		107 751
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>*</u>	202,215	ф	197,751
Total Habilities and Shareholders equity	<u>\$</u>	548,589	\$	533,243

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (IN THOUSANDS)

Operating activities:	J	une 27,	
Operating activities:		unc 27,	June 29,
Operating activities:		2020	2019
operating activities.		_	
Net income	\$	12,399	\$ 10,245
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities:			
Non-cash items, net		12,107	11,611
Accounts receivable and unbilled services		(8,962)	(1,068)
Working capital items, net		(59,844)	 (66,897)
Net cash used in operating activities		(44,300)	(46,109)
Investing activities:			
Purchases of property and equipment		(13,517)	(3,904)
Net cash used in investing activities		(13,517)	(3,904)
Financing activities:			
Issuance of common stock, principally stock option exercises		569	1,526
Borrowings under revolving line of credit		77,000	50,000
Repayments under revolving line of credit		(18,000)	(9,000)
Tax withholding payments reimbursed by shares		(390)	(388)
Cash paid on dividend equivalents		(40)	(35)
Cash dividends paid to shareholders		(3,584)	(3,196)
Repurchase of common stock		(3,810)	 (11,510)
Net cash provided by financing activities		51,745	27,397
Effect of foreign exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(760)	 176
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(6,832)	(22,440)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		25,639	 38,028
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	18,807	\$ 15,588
Noncash investing and financing activities:			
Purchases of property and equipment not yet paid for	\$	3,784	\$ 4,053
Purchases of property and equipment paid by a third party	\$	_	\$ 62
Asset retirement obligations	\$	155	\$ 335
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for lease obligations	\$	_	\$ 37,284
Right-of-use assets related to the adoption of ASC 842	\$	-	\$ 82,329
Lease liabilities related to the adoption of ASC 842	\$	-	\$ 106,765
Supplemental cash flow information:			
Cash paid for taxes	\$	2,057	\$ 3,583
Cash paid for interest	\$	676	\$ 510
Cash paid for amounts included in operating lease liabilities	\$	9,243	\$ 8,113

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CHARLES RIVER ASSOCIATES (CRA) SECOND QUARTER FISCAL YEAR 2020 EARNINGS ANNOUNCEMENT PREPARED CFO REMARKS

CRA is providing these prepared remarks by CFO Dan Mahoney in combination with its press release. These remarks are offered to provide the investment community with additional information on CRA's financial results prior to the start of the conference call.

As previously announced, the conference call will be held July 30, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. ET. These prepared remarks will not be read on the call.

Q2 Fiscal 2020 Summary (Quarter ended June 27, 2020)

- · Revenue: \$123.0 million
- Net income: \$5.9 million, or 4.8% of revenue; non-GAAP net income: \$6.3 million, or 5.2% of revenue
- · Net income per diluted share: \$0.75; non-GAAP net income per diluted share: \$0.80
- · Operating margin: 6.8%; non-GAAP operating margin: 7.2%
- · Non-GAAP EBITDA: \$11.9 million, or 9.7% of revenue
- Effective tax rate: 24.6%; non-GAAP effective tax rate: 24.8%
- · Utilization: 66%
- · Consultant headcount at the end of Q2 of fiscal 2020: 802, which consists of 136 officers, 450 other senior staff and 216 junior staff

Cash and cash equivalents: \$18.8 million at June 27, 2020

Revenue

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, revenue was \$123.0 million, compared with revenue of \$110.6 million for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Headcount

The following table outlines CRA's consultant headcount at the end of the stated quarters:

	Q2 2020	Q1 2020	Q4 2019	Q3 2019	Q2 2019
Officers	136	135	128	121	123
Other Senior Staff	450	442	434	412	378
Junior Staff	216	222	217	208	163
Total	802	799	779	741	664

Utilization

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, companywide utilization was 66%, compared with 77% for Q2 fiscal 2019.

Client Reimbursables

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, client reimbursables were \$14.8 million, or 12.0% of revenue, compared with \$12.2 million, or 11.0% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Contingent Liability

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, the estimated value of the contingent consideration obligation increased from Q1 of fiscal 2020 by \$0.6 million to \$12.6 million at June 27, 2020. For Q2 of fiscal 2019, the estimated value of the contingent consideration obligation increased from Q1 of fiscal 2019 by \$0.7 million to \$6.6 million at June 29, 2019.

The change in the value of the contingent liability is recorded as an increase (decrease) to cost of services (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the period reported.

Selling, General and Administrative (SG&A) Expenses

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, SG&A expenses were \$21.4 million, or 17.4% of revenue, compared with \$23.7 million, or 21.5% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019. Commissions to non-employee experts are included in SG&A expenses. These commissions represented approximately 2.4% of revenue for Q2 of fiscal 2020, compared with 2.9% in Q2 of fiscal 2019. Excluding these commissions, SG&A expenses were 15.0% of revenue for Q2 of fiscal 2020, compared with 18.6% in Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Depreciation & Amortization

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, depreciation and amortization expenses amounted to \$3.1 million, or 2.5% of revenue, compared with \$2.6 million, or 2.3% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Forgivable Loan Amortization

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, forgivable loan amortization was \$7.5 million, or 6.1% of revenue, compared with \$6.5 million, or 5.9% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Share-Based Compensation Expense

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, share-based compensation expense was approximately \$0.8 million, or 0.6% of revenue, compared with \$0.8 million, or 0.8% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Operating Income

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, operating income was \$8.3 million, or 6.8% of revenue, compared with operating income of \$8.3 million, or 7.5% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019. Non-GAAP operating income was \$8.9 million, or 7.2% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2020, compared with \$9.0 million, or 8.1% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

	Fiscal Quarter ended													
				As a % of										
\$ in 000's	June	e 27, 2020	29, 2019	Revenue										
Income from operations	\$	8,339	6.8%	\$	8,311	7.5%								
Adjustments needed to reconcile GAAP income from operations to non-														
GAAP income from operations:														
Non-cash valuation change in contingent consideration		566	0.5%		651	0.6%								
Non-GAAP Income from operations	\$	8,905	7.2%	\$	8,962	8.1%								

Interest Income (Expense), net

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, net interest expense was \$0.4 million, or 0.3% of revenue, compared with net interest expense of \$0.5 million, or 0.5% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Foreign Currency Gains (Losses), net

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, net foreign currency losses were \$0.1 million, or 0.1% of revenue, compared with net foreign currency gains, of \$0.2 million, or 0.1% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Foreign currency gains (losses), net, is comprised of net gains and losses on foreign denominated transactions and the revaluation of working capital balances.

Income Taxes

The following table outlines CRA's income tax provision recorded and the resulting effective tax rates:

	GAAP	NON-GAAP						
	$\mathbf{Q}2$			$\mathbf{Q}2$				
\$ in 000's	 2020	2019		2020		2019		
Tax Provision	\$ 1,934 \$	2,367	\$	2,087	\$	2,541		
Effective Tax Rate	24.6%	29.8%		24.8%		29.6%		

	Fiscal Quarter ended											
				As a % of								
\$ in 000's	June	27, 2020	Revenue	Ju	ne 29, 2019	Revenue						
Income before provision for income taxes		7,865	6.4%	\$	7,947	7.2%						
Adjustments needed to reconcile GAAP income before provision for												
income taxes to non-GAAP income before provision for income taxes												
Non-cash valuation change in contingent consideration		566	0.5%		651	0.6%						
Non-GAAP income before provision for income taxes	\$	8,431	6.9%	\$	8,598	7.8%						
GAAP provision for income taxes	\$	1,934		\$	2,367							
Tax effect on non-GAAP adjustments		153			174							
Non-GAAP provision for income taxes	\$	2,087		\$	2,541							

Net Income

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, net income was \$5.9 million, or 4.8% of revenue, or \$0.75 per diluted share, compared with net income of \$5.6 million, or 5.0% of revenue, or \$0.68 per diluted share, for Q2 of fiscal 2019. Non-GAAP net income for Q2 of fiscal 2020 was \$6.3 million, or 5.2% of revenue, or \$0.80 per diluted share, compared with \$6.1 million, or 5.5% of revenue, or \$0.73 per diluted share, for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Non-GAAP EBITDA

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, non-GAAP EBITDA was \$11.9 million, or 9.7% of revenue, compared with \$11.7 million, or 10.6% of revenue, for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

Constant Currency Basis

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, revenue was \$123.0 million, and net income was \$5.9 million, or 4.8% of revenue, or \$0.75 per diluted share. On a constant currency basis relative to Q2 of fiscal 2019, Q2 of fiscal 2020 revenue would have been higher by \$0.8 million to \$123.8 million, GAAP net income would have increased by \$0.1 million to \$6.0 million, or 4.8% of revenue, and earnings per diluted share would have remained unchanged.

For Q2 of fiscal 2020, revenue was \$123.0 million, and non-GAAP net income was \$6.3 million, or 5.2% of revenue, or \$0.80 per diluted share. On a constant currency basis relative to Q2 of fiscal 2019, Q2 of fiscal 2020 revenue would have been higher by \$0.8 million to \$123.8 million, non-GAAP net income would have increased by \$0.1 million to \$6.4 million, or 5.2% of revenue, non-GAAP earnings per diluted share would have increased by \$0.01 to \$0.81, and non-GAAP EBITDA would have increased by \$0.1 million to \$12.0 million, or 9.7% of revenue.

A description of the process for calculating the measures presented on a constant currency basis is contained under the heading "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below.

Key Balance Sheet Metrics

Billed and unbilled receivables at June 27, 2020 were \$152.0 million, compared with \$132.1 million at June 29, 2019. Current liabilities at June 27, 2020 were \$197.5 million, compared with \$152.8 million at June 29, 2019.

Total Days Sales Outstanding, or DSO, for Q2 of fiscal 2020 was 107 days, consisting of 70 days of billed and 37 days of unbilled. This compares with 105 days reported for Q2 of fiscal 2019, consisting of 68 days of billed and 37 days of unbilled.

Cash and Cash Flow

Cash and cash equivalents were \$18.8 million at June 27, 2020, compared with \$15.6 million at June 29, 2019.

Net cash provided by operating activities for Q2 of fiscal 2020 was \$21.1 million, compared with \$10.5 million for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

As of June 27, 2020, outstanding borrowings under CRA's revolving credit facility amounted to \$59.0 million. At June 29, 2019, outstanding borrowings under CRA's revolving credit facility amounted to \$41.0 million.

Capital expenditures totaled \$5.6 million for Q2 of fiscal 2020, compared with \$3.1 million for Q2 of fiscal 2019.

CRA did not repurchase shares of its common stock during Q2 of fiscal 2020, compared with Q2 of fiscal 2019, when approximately 177,000 shares of common stock were repurchased for \$7.2 million.

A quarterly cash dividend of \$0.23 per common share, for total dividends and dividend equivalents of \$1.8 million was paid in Q2 of fiscal 2020, compared with a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.20 per common share, for total dividends and dividend equivalents of \$1.6 million paid in Q2 of fiscal 2019.

GAAP Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

CRA has derived the condensed consolidated statement of cash flow data for the years ended December 28, 2019 and December 29, 2018 from its audited financial statements appearing on Form 10-K for fiscal year ended December 28, 2019, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 27, 2020. The condensed consolidated statement of cash flow data for the third quarter of fiscal year 2018, the first, second and third quarters of fiscal year 2019, and the first and second quarters of fiscal year 2020 have been derived from CRA's unaudited financial statements appearing on Form 10-Q for each of the respective fiscal quarters as well as the consolidated statements of cash flows appearing on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2019 and December 29, 2018 and have been prepared on the same basis as CRA's audited financial statements.

GAAP Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows	LTM		Q2		Q1		Q4		$\mathbf{Q3}$
(\$ in 000's)	Q2 2020		2020		2020		2019		2019
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	29,641	\$	21,075	\$	(65,375)	\$	47,739	\$ 26,202
Net cash used in investing activities		(26,306)		(5,568)		(7,949)		(4,145)	(8,644)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		530		(12,370)		64,115		(38,591)	(12,624)
Effect of foreign exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(646)		(148)		(612)		803	(689)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,219	\$	2,989	\$	(9,821)	\$	5,806	\$ 4,245
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		15,588		15,818		25,639		19,833	15,588
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	18,807	\$	18,807	\$	15,818	\$	25,639	\$ 19,833

GAAP Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows		LTM	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q 3
(\$ in 000's)	Q	2 2019	2019	2019	2018	2018
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	22,881	\$ 10,458	\$ (56,567)	\$ 44,583	\$ 24,407
Net cash used in investing activities		(10,412)	(3,130)	(774)	(2,068)	(4,440)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(5,560)	(6,741)	34,138	(16,217)	(16,740)
Effect of foreign exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(346)	43	133	(133)	(389)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$	6,563	\$ 630	\$ (23,070)	\$ 26,165	\$ 2,838
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		9,025	14,958	38,028	11,863	9,025
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	15,588	\$ 15,588	\$ 14,958	\$ 38,028	\$ 11,863

Adjusted Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities

Below are the quarterly and last twelve-month reconciliations of GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities for each of the periods presented to non-GAAP adjusted net cash provided by (used in) operating activities. The reconciling items are forgivable loan advances and repayments for each period, which are reported as a component of GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities.

Adjusted Net Cash Flows from Operations (\$ in 000's)		LTM Q2 2020		Q2 2020		Q1 2020		Q4 2019		Q3 2019
GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	29,641	\$	21,075	\$	(65,375)	\$	47,739	\$	26,202
Forgivable loan advances		49,657		4,932		33,442		1,762		9,521
Forgivable loan repayments		(473)		-		-		(67)		(406)
Adjusted net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	78,825	\$	26,007	\$	(31,933)	\$	49,434	\$	35,317
Net revenue	\$	484,060	\$	123,031	\$	126,158	\$	119,185	\$	115,686
GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities as a percentage of net revenue Adjusted net cash provided by (used in) operating activities as a	_	6.1%	_	17.1%	_	-51.8 [%]	_	40.1%	_	<u>22.6</u> %
percentage of net revenue		16.3%		21.1%		-25.3%		41.5%		30.5%
Adjusted Net Cash Flows from Operations		LTM		Q2		Q1		Q4		Q3
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(\$ in 000's)	(Q2 2019		2019		2019		2018		2018
GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	Q2 2019 22,881	\$	2019 10,458	\$	2019 (56,567)	\$	-	\$	_
GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities Forgivable loan advances			\$		\$		\$	2018	\$	2018
GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities Forgivable loan advances Forgivable loan repayments		22,881	\$	10,458	\$	(56,567)	\$	2018 44,583	\$	2018 24,407
GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities Forgivable loan advances		22,881 31,806	\$	10,458 1,953	\$	(56,567) 21,930	\$	2018 44,583 1,219	\$	2018 24,407 6,704
GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities Forgivable loan advances Forgivable loan repayments	\$	22,881 31,806 (763)		10,458 1,953 (300)	<u> </u>	(56,567) 21,930 (400)	_	2018 44,583 1,219 3	_	2018 24,407 6,704 (66)
GAAP net cash provided by (used in) operating activities Forgivable loan advances Forgivable loan repayments Adjusted net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	22,881 31,806 (763) 53,924	\$	10,458 1,953 (300) 12,111	\$	(56,567) 21,930 (400) (35,037)	\$	2018 44,583 1,219 3 45,805	\$	2018 24,407 6,704 (66) 31,045

NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

In these remarks, CRA has supplemented the presentation of its financial results calculated in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles or "GAAP" with financial measures that were not calculated in accordance with GAAP. CRA believes that the non-GAAP financial measures described below are important to management and investors because these measures supplement the understanding of CRA's ongoing operating results, financial condition and cash flows. Non-GAAP adjusted net cash provided by (used in) operating activities is used by management to assess CRA's ability to fund items such as the acquisition of talent, office expansions, debt repayment and distributions to shareholders. In addition, non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP EBITDA are used by CRA in its budgeting process, and the non-GAAP adjustments described below are made to the performance measures for some of CRA's performance-based compensation.

The adjustments made to non-GAAP net income, non-GAAP EBITDA, non-GAAP income from operations and non-GAAP provision for income taxes in these remarks are as follows: for the second quarter of each of fiscal 2020 and fiscal 2019, the adjustments exclude non-cash amounts relating to valuation changes in contingent consideration and related tax effects. The adjustments made to non-GAAP adjusted net cash provided by (used in) operating activities add back forgivable loan issuances, net of repayments. These remarks also present certain current fiscal period financial measures on a "constant currency" basis in order to isolate the effect that foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations can have on CRA's financial results. These constant currency measures are determined by recalculating the current fiscal period local currency financial measure using the specified corresponding prior fiscal period's foreign exchange rates.

All of the non-GAAP financial measures referred to above should be considered in conjunction with, and not as a substitute for, the GAAP financial information presented in these remarks. EBITDA and the financial measures identified in these remarks as "non-GAAP" are reconciled to their GAAP comparable measures either in these remarks or in the attached financial tables. In evaluating these non-GAAP financial measures, note that the non-GAAP financial measures used by CRA may be calculated differently from, and therefore may not be comparable to, similarly titled measures used by other companies.

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE FISCAL QUARTERS AND FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE PERIODS ENDED JUNE 27, 2020 COMPARED TO JUNE 29, 2019

	Fiscal Quarter Ended							Fiscal Year-to-Date Period Ended							
	Jı	ıne 27,	As a	% of	Jı	une 29,	As a '	% of	Jı	ıne 27,	As a	a % of	J	une 29,	As a % of
		2020	Rev	enue		2019	Reve			2020	Rev	venue		2019	Revenue
Revenues	\$	123,031		100.0%	\$	110,573	1	00.0%	\$	249,189		100.0%	\$	216,422	100.0%
Cost of services (exclusive of depreciation															
and amortization)		90,168		73.3%		75,972		68.7%		181,165		72.7%		149,607	69.1%
Selling, general and administrative															
expenses		21,418		17.4%		23,737		21.5%		45,541		18.3%		46,480	21.5%
Depreciation and amortization		3,106		2.5%		2,553		2.3%		6,049		2.4%		5,169	2.4%
Income from operations		8,339		6.8%		8,311		7.5%		16,434		6.6%		15,166	7.0%
Interest expense, net		(372)		-0.3%		(519)		-0.5%		(734)		-0.3%		(530)	-0.2%
Foreign currency gains (losses), net		(102)		-0.1%		155		0.1%		1,320		0.5%		(589)	-0.3%
Income before provision for income taxes		7,865		6.4%		7,947		7.2%		17,020		6.8%		14,047	6.5%
Provision for income taxes		1,934		1.6%		2,367		2.1%		4,621		1.9%		3,802	1.8%
Net income	\$	5,931		4.8%	\$	5,580		5.0%	\$	12,399		5.0%	\$	10,245	4.7%
	_				_				_				_		
Net income per share:															
Basic	\$	0.76			\$	0.70			\$	1.59			\$	1.28	
Diluted	\$	0.75			\$	0.68			\$	1.55			\$	1.23	
													_		
Weighted average number of shares															
outstanding:															
Basic		7,764				7,925				7,784				7,970	
Diluted		7,920				8,218				7,979			_	8,282	
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CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

FOR THE FISCAL QUARTERS AND FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE PERIODS ENDED JUNE 27, 2020 COMPARED TO JUNE 29, 2019

JUNE 27, 2020 COMPARED TO JUNE 25, 2015	
(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA)	

	Fiscal Quarter Ended Fiscal Year-to-Date Period En									eriod En	nded					
		ıne 27, 2020	As a % Reven	-		ıne 29, 2019	As a % Revenu	-		ıne 27, 2020	As a %			une 29, 2019	As a % Reven	-
Revenues	\$	123,031	10	0.0%	\$ 1	110,573	100	.0%	\$ 2	249,189	1	00.0%	\$	216,422	10	0.0%
				_			-					_			-	
Net income	\$	5,931		4.8%	\$	5,580	5	.0%	\$	12,399		5.0%	\$	10,245		4.7%
Adjustments needed to reconcile GAAP net income to non-GAAP net income:																
Non-cash valuation change in																
contingent consideration		566		0.5%		651	0	.6%		996		0.4%		434	(0.2%
Tax effect on adjustments		(153)	-	0.1%		(174)	-0	.2%		(270)		-0.1%		(116)	-	0.1%
Non-GAAP net income	\$	6,344		5.2%	\$	6,057	5	.5%	\$	13,125		5.3%	\$	10,563		4.9%
Non-GAAP net income per share:																
Basic	\$	0.81			\$	0.76			\$	1.68			\$	1.32		
Diluted	\$	0.80			\$	0.73			\$	1.64			\$	1.27		
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:																
Basic		7,764				7,925				7,784				7,970		
Diluted		7,920				8,218				7,979			_	8,282		

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES FOR THE FISCAL QUARTERS AND FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE PERIODS ENDED JUNE 27, 2020 COMPARED TO JUNE 29, 2019 (IN THOUSANDS)

	Fiscal Quarter Ended Fiscal Year-to-Date Period Ende							
	June 27, 2020	As a % of Revenue	June 29, 2019	As a % of Revenue	June 27, 2020	As a % of Revenue	June 29, 2019	As a % of Revenue
Revenues	\$ 123,031	100.0%	\$ 110,573	100.0%	\$ 249,189	100.0%	\$ 216,422	100.0%
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Net income	\$ 5,931	4.8%	\$ 5,580	5.0%	\$ 12,399	5.0%	\$ 10,245	4.7%
Adjustments needed to reconcile GAAP net income to non-GAAP net income:								
Non-cash valuation change in								
contingent consideration	566	0.5%	651	0.6%	996	0.4%	434	0.2%
Tax effect on adjustments	(153	-0.1%	(174)	-0.2%	(270)	-0.1%	(116)	-0.1%
Non-GAAP net income	\$ 6,344	5.2%	\$ 6,057	5.5%	\$ 13,125	5.3%	\$ 10,563	4.9%
Adjustments needed to reconcile non-								
GAAP net income to non-GAAP								
EBITDA:								
Interest expense, net	372	0.3%	519	0.5%	734	0.3%	530	0.2%
Provision for income taxes	2,087	1.7%	2,541	2.3%	4,891	2.0%	3,918	1.8%
Depreciation and amortization	3,106	2.5%	2,553	2.3%	6,049	2.4%	5,169	2.4%
Non-GAAP EBITDA	\$ 11,909	9.7%	\$ 11,670	10.6%	\$ 24,799	10.0%	\$ 20,180	9.3%

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (IN THOUSANDS)

	June 27, 2020	De	cember 28, 2019
Assets		-	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 18,807	\$	25,639
Accounts receivable and unbilled services, net	152,031		144,410
Other current assets	19,119		14,028
Total current assets	 189,957		184,077
Property and equipment, net	65,402		61,295
Goodwill and intangible assets, net	93,704		94,980
Right-of-use assets	122,983		130,173
Other assets	 76,543		62,718
Total assets	\$ 548,589	\$	533,243
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity			
Accounts payable	\$ 20,894	\$	26,069
Accrued expenses	82,199		121,301
Current portion of lease liabilities	13,208		12,847
Revolving line of credit	59,000		-
Other current liabilities	 22,223		11,193
Total current liabilities	197,524		171,410
Non-current portion of lease liabilities	141,528		146,551
Other non-current liabilities	 7,322		17,531
Total liabilities	346,374		335,492
Total charabaldare' aquity	202.215		107 751
Total shareholders' equity	202,215		197,751
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 548,589	\$	533,243

CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (IN THOUSANDS)

	Fi	scal Year-to-Da	ate Period Ended			
	J	une 27,	June 29,			
		2020		2019		
Operating activities:				_		
Net income	\$	12,399	\$	10,245		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities:						
Non-cash items, net		12,107		11,611		
Accounts receivable and unbilled services		(8,962)		(1,068)		
Working capital items, net		(59,844)		(66,897)		
Net cash used in operating activities		(44,300)		(46,109)		
Investing activities:						
Purchases of property and equipment		(13,517)		(3,904)		
Net cash used in investing activities		(13,517)		(3,904)		
Financing activities:						
Issuance of common stock, principally stock option exercises		569		1,526		
Borrowings under revolving line of credit		77,000		50,000		
Repayments under revolving line of credit		(18,000)		(9,000)		
Tax withholding payments reimbursed by shares		(390)		(388)		
Cash paid on dividend equivalents		(40)		(35)		
Cash dividends paid to shareholders		(3,584)		(3,196)		
Repurchase of common stock		(3,810)		(11,510)		
Net cash provided by financing activities		51,745		27,397		
Effect of foreign exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(760)		176		
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(6,832)		(22,440)		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		25,639		38,028		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	18,807	\$	15,588		
Noncash investing and financing activities:						
Purchases of property and equipment not yet paid for	\$	3,784	\$	4,053		
Purchases of property and equipment paid by a third party	\$	_	\$	62		
Asset retirement obligations	\$	155	\$	335		
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for lease obligations	\$	_	\$	37,284		
Right-of-use assets related to the adoption of ASC 842	\$		\$	82,329		
Lease liabilities related to the adoption of ASC 842	\$		\$	106,765		
Supplemental cash flow information:				100,700		
Cash paid for taxes	\$	2,057	\$	3,583		
Cash paid for interest						
Cash paid for amounts included in operating lease liabilities	\$	676	\$	510		
Cash paid for amounts included in operating lease natifices	\$	9,243	\$	8,113		

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CHARLES RIVER ASSOCIATES (CRA) DECLARES QUARTERLY CASH DIVIDEND OF \$0.23 PER COMMON SHARE

BOSTON, July 30, 2020 – <u>Charles River Associates</u> (NASDAQ: CRAI), a worldwide leader in providing economic, financial and management consulting services, today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.23 per common share to be paid on September 14, 2020 to shareholders of record of CRA's common stock as of the close of business on August 25, 2020. The Company expects to continue paying quarterly dividends, the declaration, timing and amounts of which remain subject to the discretion of CRA's Board of Directors.

About Charles River Associates (CRA)

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SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT

Statements in this press release concerning our expectations regarding the payment of future quarterly dividends are "forward-looking" statements as defined in Section 21 of the Exchange Act. These statements are based upon our current expectations and various underlying assumptions. Although we believe there is a reasonable basis for these statements and assumptions, and these statements are expressed in good faith, these statements are subject to a number of additional factors and uncertainties. These factors include, but are not limited to, the possibility that the demand for our services may decline as a result of changes in general and industry specific economic conditions; the timing of engagements for our services; the effects of competitive services and pricing; our ability to attract and retain key employee or non-employee experts; the inability to integrate and utilize existing consultants and personnel; the decline or reduction in project work or activity; global economic conditions including less stable political and economic environments; the extent and duration of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our operations and results, including the effects on the financial health of our clients, and the impact of the imposition of public health measures and travel, health-related, business and other restrictions; foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations; unanticipated expenses and liabilities; risks inherent in international operations; changes in tax law or accounting standards, rules, and regulations; our ability to collect on forgivable loans should any become due; and professional and other legal liability or settlements. Additional risks and uncertainties are discussed in our periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the heading "Risk Factors." The inclusion of such forward-looking information should not be regarded as our representation that the future events, plans, or expectations contemplated will be achieved. Except as may be required by law, we undertake no obliga