

Priority Technology Holdings, Inc. Announces Second Quarter 2022 Financial Results

Strong Second Quarter Revenue Growth Across all Business Segments

ALPHARETTA, Ga.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Priority Technology Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRTH) ("Priority" or the "Company"), a leading payments technology company helping customers collect, store and send money, today announced its second quarter 2022 financial results including strong quarter-over-quarter diversified revenue growth.

Highlights of Consolidated Results

Second Quarter 2022, Compared with Second Quarter 2021

Financial highlights of the second quarter of 2022 compared with the second quarter of 2021, are as follows:

- Revenue of \$166.4 million increased 33.1% from \$125.0 million.
- Gross profit (a non-GAAP measure¹) of \$55.7 million increased 58.2% million from \$35.2 million.
- Gross profit margin (a non-GAAP measure¹) of 33.5% increased 540 basis points from 28.1%.
- Operating income of \$13.1 million increased 77.0% from \$7.4 million.
- Adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP measure¹) of \$33.9 million increased 61.4% from \$21.0 million.

"We delivered another strong quarter of top- and bottom-line growth, driven by increasing demand for our products and services," said Tom Priore, Chairman and CEO of Priority. "Priority's financial performance demonstrates that our unified commerce product vision continues to win in the marketplace. We have built with intention to perform in varying economic climates and our numbers back up our ability to deliver."

¹ See "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" and the reconciliations of Gross Profit, Gross Profit Margin, and Adjusted EBITDA, to their most comparable GAAP measures provided below for additional information.

Priority's outlook remains strong and we are reaffirming our full-year 2022 guidance.

- Revenue is forecasted to range between \$650 million to \$665 million, a growth rate of 26% to 29%.
- Adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP measure) is forecasted to range between \$145 million to \$150 million, a growth rate of 51% to 56%.

Conference Call

Priority Technology Holdings, Inc.'s leadership will host a conference call on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. EDT to discuss its second quarter 2022 financial results. Participants can access the call by phone in the U.S. or Canada at (833) 636-1319 or internationally at (412) 902-4286.

The Internet webcast link and accompanying slide presentation can be accessed at https://edge.media-server.com/mmc/p/fgpa38jm and will also be posted in the "Investor Relations" section of the Company's website at www.PRTH.com.

An audio replay of the call will be available shortly after the conference call until August 16, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. EDT. To listen to the audio replay, dial (877) 344-7529 or (412) 317-0088 and enter conference ID number **4629057**. Alternatively, you may access the webcast replay in the "Investor Relations" section of the Company's website at www.PRTH.com.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This communication includes certain non-GAAP financial measures that we regularly review to evaluate our business and trends, measure our performance, prepare financial projections, allocate resources, and make strategic decisions. We believe these non-GAAP measures help to illustrate the underlying financial and business trends relating to our results of operations and comparability between current and prior periods. We also use these non-GAAP measures to establish and monitor operational goals. However, these non-GAAP measures are not superior to or a substitute for prominent measurements calculated in accordance with GAAP. Rather, the non-GAAP measures are meant to be a complement to understanding measures prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin

The Company's non-GAAP gross profit metric represents revenues less costs of services. Gross profit margin is gross profit divided by revenues. We review these non-GAAP measures to evaluate our underlying profit trends. The reconciliation of gross profit to its most comparable GAAP measure is provided below:

	(in thousands)							
	Three Months Ended June 30							
		2022		2021				
Revenues	\$	166,430	\$	125,014				
Costs of services		(110,749)		(89,831)				
Gross profit	\$	55,681	\$	35,183				
Gross profit margin	1	33.5%		28.1%				

EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA are performance measures. EBITDA is earnings before interest, income tax, and depreciation and amortization expenses ("EBITDA"). Adjusted EBITDA begins with EBITDA but further excludes certain non-cash costs, such as stock-based compensation and the write-off of the carrying value of investments or other assets, as well as debt extinguishment and modification expenses and other expenses and income items considered non-recurring, such as acquisition integration expenses, certain professional fees, and litigation settlements. We review the non-GAAP adjusted EBITDA measure to evaluate our business and trends, measure our performance, prepare financial projections, allocate resources, and make strategic decisions.

The reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA to its most comparable GAAP measure is provided below:

	(in thousands)						
	Three Months Ended June 30						
	2022 2021						
Net income (loss)	\$	287	\$	(9,477)			
Interest expense		12,335		7,285			
Income tax expense Depreciation and amortization		467		1,490			
		17,505		10,723			
EBITDA		30,594		10,021			
Debt extinguishment and modification		_		8,322			
Selling, general and administrative		1,743		1,834			
Non-cash stock-based compensation		1,542		856			
Other non-operating expense				(17)			
Adjusted EBITDA		33,879	21,016				

Further detail of certain of these adjustments, and where these items are recorded in our consolidated statements of operations, is provided below:

	(in thousands)					
	Three Months Ended June 30,					
	2022 2021					
Selling, general and administrative expenses:						
Certain legal fees	\$	213	\$	1,587		
Professional, accounting and consulting fees		373		247		
IRS penalty for 2014 and 2015		703		_		
General ledger transition expenses		96		_		
Other expenses		358		_		
Write-down of note receivable		_		_		
	\$	1,743	\$	1,834		

Priority does not provide a reconciliation of forward-looking non-GAAP financial measures to their comparable GAAP financial measures because it could not do so without unreasonable effort due to the unavailability of the information needed to calculate reconciling items and due to the variability, complexity and limited visibility of the adjusting items that would be excluded from the non-GAAP financial measures in future periods. When planning, forecasting and analyzing future periods, the Company does so primarily on a non-GAAP basis without preparing a GAAP analysis as that would require estimates for various cash and non-cash reconciling items that would be difficult to predict with reasonable accuracy. For example, stock-based compensation expense would be difficult to estimate because it depends on the Company's future hiring and retention needs, as well as the future fair market value of the Company's common stock, all of which are difficult to predict and subject

to constant change. As a result, the Company does not believe that a GAAP reconciliation would provide meaningful supplemental information about the Company's outlook.

About Priority Technology Holdings, Inc.

Priority is a payments powerhouse driving the convergence of payments and banking. The company has built a single platform to collect, store, and send money that operates at scale. We help our customers take and make payments while managing business and consumer operating accounts to monetize payment networks. Our tailored, agile technology powers high-value, payments products bolstered by our industry-leading personalized support. Additional information can be found at www.PRTH.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements include, but are not limited to, statements about future financial and operating results, our plans, objectives, expectations and intentions with respect to future operations, products and services, and other statements identified by words such as "may," "will," "should," "anticipates," "believes," "expects," "plans," "future," "intends," "could," "estimate," "predict," "projects," "targeting," "potential" or "contingent," "guidance," "outlook" or words of similar meaning. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, our 2022 outlook and statements regarding our market and growth opportunities. Such forward-looking statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of our management and are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive risks, trends and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected, expressed, or implied by such forward-looking statements. Our actual results could differ materially, and potentially adversely, from those discussed or implied herein.

We caution that it is very difficult to predict the impact of known factors, and it is impossible for us to anticipate all factors that could affect our actual results. All forward-looking statements are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements. You should evaluate all forward-looking statements made in this press release in the context of the risks and uncertainties disclosed in our SEC filings, including our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 17, 2022. These filings are available online at www.sec.gov or www.PRTH.com.

We caution you that the important factors referenced above may not contain all of the factors that are important to you. In addition, we cannot assure you that we will realize the results or developments we expect or anticipate or, even if substantially realized, that they will result in the consequences we anticipate or affect us or our operations in the way we expect. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a predictor of future performance. The forward-looking statements included in this press release are made only as of the date hereof. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law. If we do update one or more forward-looking statements, no inference should be made that we will make additional updates with respect to those or other forward-looking statements. We qualify all of our forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements.

Priority Technology Holdings, Inc.

Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Operations

(in thousands, except per share amounts)		En),	nded June					
		2022		2021		2022		2021
Revenues	\$	166,430	\$	125,014	\$	319,669	\$	238,311
Operating expenses								
Cost of revenue		110,749		89,831		212,229		171,694
Salary and employee benefits		15,770		10,351		31,847		19,899
Depreciation and amortization		17,505		10,723		34,858		19,793
Selling, general and administrative		9,346		6,704	_	16,849		14,993
Total operating expenses		153,370		117,609		295,783		226,379
Operating income		13,060		7,405		23,886		11,932
Other (expense) income								
Interest expense		(12,335)		(7,285)		(23,870)		(16,453)
Debt extinguishment and modification costs		_		(8,322)		_		(8,322)
Other income (expense), net		29		215		80		(54)
Total other expense, net		(12,306)		(15,392)		(23,790)		(24,829)
Income (loss) before income taxes		754		(7,987)		96		(12,897)
Income tax expense (benefit)		467		1,490		142		(741)
Net income (loss)		287		(9,477)		(46)		(12,156)
Less: Dividends and accretion attributable to redeemable senior preferred								
stockholders		(8,549)		(3,911)		(16,949)		(3,911)
Less: NCI preferred unit redemptions				(10,777)	_			(10,777)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	_	(8,262)	_	(24,165)	\$	(16,995)	\$	(26,844)
Loss per common share:								
Basic and diluted	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.35)	\$	(0.22)	\$	(0.39)
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:								
Basic and diluted		78,603		69,496		78,600		68,525

Priority Technology Holdings, Inc. Unaudited Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands)

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Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	22,162	\$	20,300
Restricted cash		11,717		28,859
Accounts receivable, net of allowances		70,437		58,423
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		18,200		15,807
Current portion of notes receivable		781		272
Settlement assets and customer account balances		504,132		479,471
Total current assets		627,429		603,132
Notes receivable, less current portion		2,049		105
Property, equipment and software, net		26,749		25,233
Goodwill		365,740		365,740
Intangible assets, net		316,964		340,211
Deferred income taxes, net		11,319		8,265
Other noncurrent assets		11,053		9,256
Total assets	\$	1,361,303	\$	1,351,942
Liabilities, Redeemable Senior Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Deficit				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	55,200	\$	42,523
Accrued residual commissions		34,513		29,532
Customer deposits and advance payments		1,065		5,021
Current portion of long-term debt		6,200		6,200
Settlement and customer account obligations		506,691		500,291
Total current liabilities		603,669		583,567
Long-term debt, net of current portion, discounts and debt issuance costs		602,224		604,105
Other noncurrent liabilities		15,533		18,349
Total noncurrent liabilities		617,757		622,454
Total liabilities		1,221,426		1,206,021
Redeemable senior preferred stock		220,031		210,158
Stockholders' deficit:				
Preferred stock		_		_
Common stock		78		77
Additional paid-in capital		26,042		39,835
Treasury stock, at cost		(6,170)		(4,091)
Accumulated deficit		(100,104)		(100,058)
Total stockholders' deficit		(80,154)		(64,237)
Total liabilities, redeemable senior preferred stock and stockholders' defic	it\$	1,361,303	\$	1,351,942

Priority Technology Holdings, Inc. Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands)	Six Months End		nde	ded June 30,		
		2022		2021		
Cash flows from operating activities:						
Net loss	\$	(46)	\$	(12,156)		
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:						
Depreciation and amortization of assets		34,858		19,793		
Stock-based compensation		3,100		1,414		
Amortization of debt issuance costs and discounts		1,719		1,158		
Write-off of deferred loan costs and discount		_		3,006		
Deferred income tax benefit		(3,053)		(881)		
PIK interest		_		(23,715)		
Other non-cash items, net		_		(39)		
Change in operating assets and liabilities:						
Accounts receivable		(12,015)		(9,115)		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(4,445)		(3,232)		
Income taxes (receivable) payable		(304)		1,606		
Notes receivable		297		198		
Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities		14,792		10,490		
Customer deposits and advance payments		(3,957)		1,385		
Other assets and liabilities, net		(612)		307		
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		30,334		(9,781)		
Cash flows from investing activities:						
Acquisitions of businesses, net of cash acquired		_		(34,507)		
Additions to property, equipment and software		(6,011)		(5,222)		
Notes receivable loan funding		(2,750)		_		
Acquisitions of intangible assets		(3,724)		(43,353)		
Other investing activities		(250)				
Net cash used in investing activities		(12,735)		(83,082)		
Cash flows from financing activities:						
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net of issue discount		_		293,619		
Debt issuance and modification costs paid		_		(7,597)		
Repayments of long-term debt		(3,100)		(358,325)		
Borrowings under revolving credit facility		12,000		30,000		
Repayments of borrowings under revolving credit facility		(12,500)		_		
Proceeds from the issuance of redeemable senior preferred stock, net of discount				145,000		
Redeemable senior preferred stock issuance fees and costs		_		(5,472)		
Repurchases of common stock and shares withheld for taxes		(2,079)				
Dividends paid to redeemable senior preferred stockholders		(7,076)		(1,575)		
Settlement and customer accounts obligations, net		15,180		(61,570)		
Contingent consideration for business combinations and asset acquisitions		(1,863)		_		
Other financing activities		_		6		
Net cash provided by financing activities		562		34,086		
Net change in cash and cash equivalents, and restricted cash:						
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents, and restricted cash		18,161		(58,777)		
Cash and cash equivalents, and restricted cash at beginning of period		518,093		88,120		
Cash and cash equivalents, and restricted cash equivalents at end of period	\$	536,254	\$	29,343		
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Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents, and restricted cash:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	22,162	\$	11,111		
Restricted cash		11,717		18,232		
Customer account balances		502,375				
Total cash and cash equivalents, and restricted cash	\$	536,254	\$	29,343		

Priority Technology Holdings, Inc. Reportable Segments' Results

(in thousands)	TI	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months E		Ended June 30,			
		2022		2021	2022			2021			
SMB Payments:											
Revenue	\$	142,506	\$	120,311	\$	272,465	\$	229,412			
Operating expenses		128,511		105,867		245,984		201,679			
Operating income	\$	13,995	\$	14,444	\$	26,481	\$	27,733			
Operating margin		9.8%	_	12.0%		9.7%		12.1%			
Depreciation and amortization	\$	10,980	\$	10,373	\$	21,804	\$	19,081			
Key indicators:											
Merchant bankcard processing dollar value	\$	15,402,560	\$	13,888,861	\$2	9,479,407	\$2	5,772,028			
Merchant bankcard transaction volume		164,341		150,733		310,289		278,316			
B2B Payments:											
Revenue	\$	5,295	\$	4,041	\$	11,220	\$	7,541			
Operating expenses		4,632		4,020	_	10,148		7,929			
Operating income (loss)	\$	663	\$	21	\$	1,072	\$	(388)			
Operating margin		12.5%		0.5%		9.6%		(5.1) %			
Depreciation and amortization	\$	73	\$	73	\$	146	\$	147			
Key indicators:											
Merchant bankcard processing dollar value	\$	155,462	\$	75,289	\$	263,869	\$	138,939			
Merchant bankcard transaction volume		88		48		176		87			
Enterprise Payments:											
Revenue	\$	18,629	\$	662	\$	35,984	\$	1,358			
Operating expenses		12,931		491		25,792		1,023			
Operating income		5,698		171	\$	10,192		10,192		335	
Operating margin		30.6%		25.8%		28.3%		24.7%			
Depreciation and amortization	\$	6,199	\$	_	\$	12,396	\$	_			
Key indicators:											
Merchant bankcard processing dollar value	\$	387,253	\$	_	\$	603,652	\$	_			
Merchant bankcard transaction volume		842		_		1,214		_			
Operating income of reportable segments	\$	20,356	\$	14,636	\$	37,745	\$	27,680			
Less: Corporate expense		(7,296)		(7,231)		(13,859)		(15,748)			
Consolidated operating income	\$	13,060	\$	7,405	\$	23,886	\$	11,932			
Corporate depreciation and amortization	\$	253	\$	277	\$	512	\$	565			
Key indicators:							•				
Merchant bankcard processing dollar value	\$	15,945,275	\$	13,964,150	\$3	0,346,928	\$2	5,910,967			
Merchant bankcard transaction volume		165,271		150,781		311,680		278,403			

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