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Q2 FY 2025 Conference Call

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. October 24, 2024



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Safe Harbor

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Non-GAAP Financial Metrics

To supplement the financial measures presented in NETSCOUT's press release in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP), NETSCOUT also reports the following non-GAAP measures: non-GAAP gross profit, non-GAAP income from operations, non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP net income, non-GAAP diluted net income per share and non-GAAP earnings before interest and other expense, income taxes, depreciation, and amortization (Non-GAAP EBITDA) from operations. Non-GAAP gross profit removes expenses related to the amortization of acquired intangible assets, share based compensation expense, and acquisition-related depreciation expense. Non-GAAP income from operations includes the aforementioned adjustments, and also removes legal (benefit) expense related to civil judgments, restructuring charges and goodwill impairment charges. Non-GAAP operating margin includes the foregoing adjustments related to non-GAAP income from operations. Non-GAAP net income includes the foregoing adjustments related to non-GAAP income from operations, and also removes change in fair value of derivative instruments, net of related income tax effects. Non-GAAP diluted net income per share includes the foregoing adjustments related to non-GAAP net income. Non-GAAP EBITDA from operations includes the aforementioned items related to non-GAAP income from operations and also removes non-acquisition related depreciation expense. Investors are encouraged to review the related GAAP financial measures and the reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures included in the attached tables within this press release.

These non-GAAP measures are not in accordance with GAAP, should not be considered an alternative for measures prepared in accordance with GAAP (gross profit, operating margin, net income, and diluted net income per share), and may have limitations because they do not reflect all NETSCOUT's results of operations as determined in accordance with GAAP. These non-GAAP measures should only be used to evaluate NETSCOUT's results of operations in conjunction with the corresponding GAAP measures. The presentation of non-GAAP information is not meant to be considered superior to, in isolation from, or as a substitute for results prepared in accordance with GAAP. NETSCOUT believes these non-GAAP financial measures will enhance the reader's overall understanding of NETSCOUT's current financial performance and NETSCOUT's prospects for the future by providing a higher degree of transparency for certain financial measures and providing a level of disclosure that helps investors understand how the Company plans and measures its own business. NETSCOUT believes that providing these non-GAAP measures affords investors a view of NETSCOUT's operating results that may be more easily compared to peer companies and also enables investors to consider NETSCOUT's operating results on both a GAAP and non-GAAP basis during and following the integration period of NETSCOUT's acquisitions. Presenting the GAAP measures on their own, without the supplemental non-GAAP disclosures, might not be indicative of NETSCOUT's core operating results. Furthermore, NETSCOUT believes that the presentation of non-GAAP measures when shown in conjunction with the corresponding GAAP measures provides useful information to management and investors regarding present and future business trends relating to its financial condition and results of operations.

NETSCOUT management regularly uses supplemental non-GAAP financial measures internally to understand, manage and evaluate its business and to make operating decisions. These non-GAAP measures are among the primary factors that management uses in planning and forecasting.

CEO Perspective

Anil Singhal

President and Chief Executive Officer

Q2 & 1H FY'25 Non-GAAP Financial Results

Non-GAAP	Q	2 FY'24	Q	2 FY'25	1 H	I FY'24	1H FY'25		
(\$ in millions, except per share data)	9/3	30/2023	9/	30/2024	9/3	0/2023	9/30/2024		
Revenue	\$	196.8	\$	191.1	\$	407.9	\$	365.7	
Gross Margin		80.3%		79.7%		79.3%		78.4%	
Operating Margin		28.0%		23.1%		20.8%		15.9%	
EPS	\$	0.61	\$	0.47	\$	0.92	\$	0.75	

- Q2 results were in line with the Company's expectations
- Q2 revenue comparison impacted by PY backlog benefit and Test Optimization business divestiture, normalizing for those items, revenue would have grown at a mid-single digit percentage YoY. EPS comparison would be essentially consistent YoY excluding prior year incentive related expense reversal and the current year foreign investment loss
- 1H half revenue impacted by prior year's backlog related revenue benefit and Test Optimization business divestiture. EPS impacted by headwind from PY reversal of incentive related expenses



Business and Market Insights

Service Assurance

Cybersecurity



FY'25 Outlook & Summary

- Reaffirming our fiscal year 2025 revenue and non-GAAP EPS outlooks
- Expect to benefit from a significant portion of the voluntary separation program related savings in FY25
- Priorities include enhancing Cybersecurity offerings given expanding cyber threat landscape and continuing to manage cost



COO Update

Michael Szabados Chief Operating Officer

COO Highlights

Customer Wins

Service Assurance & Cybersecurity

Go-To-Market Activities

> Recent Announcements & Customer Events



CFO Financial Review Q2 & 1H FY'25 Results

Jean Bua

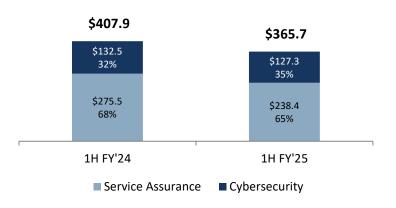
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Q2 & 1H FY'25 Results

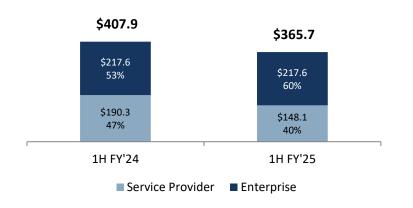
	Q2	FY'24	Q	2 FY'25			1H FY'24		1H FY'25		
	Nor	n-GAAP	No	on-GAAP	%		Non-GAAP		Non-GAAP		%
(in millions except EPS and % data)	9/30/2023		9/30/2024		Change		9/30/2023		9/30/	2024	Change
Revenue:											
Product	\$	80.5	\$	81.0	0.6%		\$	175.2	\$ 1	142.2	-18.8%
Service	\$	116.3	\$	110.1	-5.3%		\$	232.7	\$ 2	223.5	-4.0%
Total revenue	\$	196.8	\$	191.1	-2.9%		\$	407.9	\$ 3	365.7	-10.4%
Gross profit margin		80.3%		79.7%				79.3%	7	78.4%	
Operating Margin		28.0%		23.1%				20.8%	1	15.9%	
Netincome	\$	44.5	\$	33.6	-24.6%		\$	67.3	\$	54.1	-19.5%
Diluted net income per share	\$	0.61	\$	0.47	-23.0%		\$	0.92	\$	0.75	-18.5%
Diluted shares outstanding		72.8		71.8				72.8		72.2	

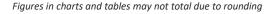
1H FY'25 Revenue Trends: Product Lines & Customer Verticals

Total GAAP & Non-GAAP Revenue by **Product Line**(\$ in millions)



Total GAAP & Non-GAAP Revenue by <u>Customer Vertical</u>
(\$ in millions)

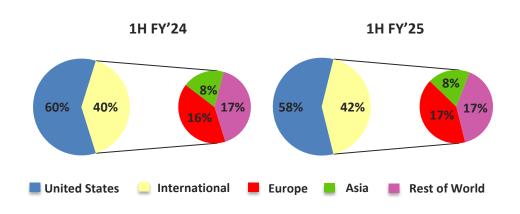






1H FY'25 Revenue Trends: Geographic Mix

	1H FY'24 9/30/23	1H FY'25 9/30/24
Total Revenue	\$407.9	\$365.7
United States	\$243.4	\$211.2
International	\$164.6	\$154.5
Europe	\$66.2	\$63.5
Asia	\$30.7	\$28.9
Rest of World	\$67.7	\$62.1





GAAP Balance Sheet & Free Cash Flow Review

(in millions)

(Unaudited)	Q2 FY'25 9/30/24
Cash and Securities*	\$ 401.9
Accounts Receivable, Net	\$ 118.6
Inventories	\$ 16.4
Total Long-Term Debt	\$ 75.0
Total Deferred Revenue	\$ 379.7
Total Stockholders' Equity	\$ 1,459.4

*	Cash and securities defined as cash, cash equivalents,
	short- and long-term marketable securities, and investments

	6/3	0/2024	9/3	0/2024
Operating Cash Flow	\$	38.3	\$	(3.6)
Purchase of Fixed Assets & Intangible Assets	\$	(1.3)	\$	(2.2)
Free Cash Flow	\$	37.0	\$	(5.8)

Note: Free cash flow is defined as Operating Cash Flow less the purchase of fixed and intangible assets. The table above represents the reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures.

Financial Profile									
	Q2 FY'25 9/30/24								
Cash and Securities position	\$401.9								
Liquidity	6.0x								
Gross leverage	0.4x								
Net leverage	(1.7x)								
Credit Facility Net Leverage	(0.8x)								

- Liquidity calculated as available credit under the Company's senior secured credit facility plus cash and securities divided by the 12-month trailing adjusted non-GAAP EBITDA (as defined within the Company's senior secured credit facility).
- · Gross Leverage is calculated as total debt plus contingent debt divided by the 12-month trailing adjusted non-GAAP EBITDA.
- Net leverage is calculated as total debt plus contingent debt minus cash and securities, divided by the 12-month trailing adjusted non-GAAP FRITTA
- As defined in the Company's senior secured credit facility, Credit Facility Net Leverage is calculated as total debt plus contingent debt
 minus the lesser of unrestricted cash and 125% of 12-month trailing adjusted non-GAAP EBITDA divided by the 12-month trailing
 adjusted non-GAAP EBITDA
- The Company's non-GAAP EBITDA from Operations as calculated in its press release may differ from the non-GAAP EBITDA as defined within the Company's senior secured credit facility



Reaffirming FY'25 Non-GAAP Outlook

Revenue

\$ millions	FY'24 GAAP & Non-GAAP	FY'25 Outlook GAAP & Non-GAAP
Revenue	\$829.5	\$800-\$830

EPS (Diluted)

	FY'24	FY'25 EPS
GAAP EPS (diluted)	(\$2.07)*	(\$5.22) to (\$5.01)*
Adjustments	\$4.27	\$7.32 to \$7.31
Non-GAAP EPS (diluted)	\$2.20	\$2.10 to \$2.30

^{*} GAAP EPS includes goodwill impairment charges in both years and restructuring charges in FY'25

Other FY'25 Outlook Assumptions

- Anticipate annual tax rate of approx. 20%
- Anticipate approx. 73 million weighted average diluted shares outstanding



Upcoming Investor Events

Date	Event	Location
November 20, 2024	RBC Capital Markets Global Technology, Internet, Media, and Telecommunications (TIMT) Conference	New York, NY
December 4, 2024	UBS Global Technology and AI Conference	Scottsdale, AZ





Q2 & 1H FY'25 Results

	Q2	FY'24	Q2	2 FY'25		11	H FY'24	1	.H FY'25			Q:	2 FY'24	Q	2 FY'25		1H	FY'24	1 H	FY'25											
	G	AAP	G	GAAP	%	GAAP			GAAP	%		Non-GAAP		Non-GAAP		%	Non-GAAP		Non-GAAP		%										
(in millions except EPS and % data)	9/3	0/2023	9/3	0/2024	Change	9/30/2023		9/	30/2024	Change		9/30/2023		9/30/2023		9/30/202		9/30/2023		9/30/2023		9/30/2023		9/30/2024		Change	9/30	/2023	9/3	0/2024	Change
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Total revenue	\$	196.8	\$	191.1	-2.9%	\$	407.9	\$	365.7	-10.4%		\$	196.8	\$	191.1	-2.9%	\$	407.9	\$	365.7	-10.4%										
Cost of revenue	\$	43.1	\$	42.1	-2.3%	\$	93.4	\$	86.4	-7.5%		\$	38.8	\$	38.9	0.2%	\$	84.6	\$	78.9	-6.7%										
Gross profit	\$	153.8	\$	149.1	-3.1%	\$	314.5	\$	279.2	-11.2%		\$	158.0	\$	152.2	-3.7%	\$	323.3	\$	286.8	-11.3%										
Gross profit margin		78.1%		78.0%			77.1%		76.3%				80.3%		79.7%			79.3%		78.4%											
Operating expenses	\$	127.5	\$	134.9	5.9%	\$	292.9	\$	728.4	148.7%		\$	102.8	\$	108.2	5.2%	\$	238.6	\$	228.7	-4.1%										
Income (loss) from operations	\$	26.3	\$	14.1	46.3%	\$	21.6	\$	(449.2)	N/A		\$	55.2	\$	44.1	20.2%	\$	84.8	\$	58.1	-31.5%										
Income (loss) from operations margin		13.4%		7.4%			5.3%		-122.8%				28.0%		23.1%			20.8%		15.9%											
Net income (loss)	\$	21.5	\$	9.0	58.0%	\$	17.3	\$	(434.3)	N/A		\$	44.5	\$	33.6	24.6%	\$	67.3	\$	54.1	-19.5%										
Diluted net income (loss) per share	\$	0.29	\$	0.13	-55.2%	\$	0.24	\$	(6.08)	N/A		\$	0.61	\$	0.47	-23.0%	\$	0.92	\$	0.75	-18.5%										
Diluted shares outstanding		72.8		71.8			72.8		71.5				72.8		71.8			72.8		72.2											

GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation: Q2'FY25, Q2'FY24, Q1'FY25 & 1H'FY25,1H'FY24 Gross Profit, Income (loss) from Operations and Net Income (loss)

Three Months Ended Three Months Ended

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	Three Months Ended T					ree Months Ended	Six Months Ended						
		Septen	ıber	30,		June 30,		Septen	ıber	30,			
	_	2024	_	2023	_	2024	_	2024	_	2023			
Revenue	\$	191,108	\$	196,802	\$	174,565	\$	365,673	\$	407,940			
Gross Profit (GAAP)	\$	149,051	\$	153,750	\$	130,196	\$	279,247	\$	314,492			
Share-based compensation expense (1)		2,200		2,638		3,320		5,520		5,549			
Amortization of acquired intangible assets (2)		996		1,638		995		1,991		3,276			
Acquisition related depreciation expense (3)		2		4		2		4		9			
Non-GAAP Gross Profit	\$	152,249	\$	158,030	\$	134,513	\$	286,762	\$	323,326			
Income (Loss) from Operations (GAAP)	\$	14,123	\$	26,292	\$	(463,324)	\$	(449,201)	\$	21,597			
GAAP Operating Margin		7.4 %		13.4 %		(265.4)%		(122.8)%		5.3 %			
Share-based compensation expense (1)		14,886		18,445		21,198		36,084		38,289			
Amortization of acquired intangible assets (2)		12,638		14,188		12,609		25,247		28,533			
Restructuring charges		2,409		_		16,563		18,972		_			
Goodwill impairment		_		_		426,967		426,967		_			
Acquisition related depreciation expense (3)		11		37		12		23		96			
Gain on divestiture of a business		_		(3,806)		_		_		(3,806)			
Legal expense related to civil judgments (4)		_		44		_		_		85			
Non-GAAP Income from Operations	s	44.067	\$	55,200	\$	14.025	s	58.092	s	84.794			
Non-GAAP Operating Margin		23.1 %		28.0 %		8.0 %	_	15.9 %	_	20.8 %			
Net Income (Loss) (GAAP)	\$	9,027	\$	21,462	\$	(443,376)	\$	(434,349)	S	17,262			
Share-based compensation expense (1)		14,886		18,445		21,198		36,084		38,289			
Amortization of acquired intangible assets (2)		12,638		14,188		12,609		25,247		28,533			
Restructuring charges		2,409		_		16,563		18,972		_			
Goodwill impairment		_		_		426,967		426,967		_			
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Legal expense related to civil judgments (4)		_		44		_		_		85			
Change in fair value of derivative instrument (5)		_		_		_		_		(206)			
Income tax adjustments (6)		(5,409)		(5,829)		(13,395)	_	(18,804)	_	(13,000)			
Non-GAAP Net Income	\$	33,562	\$	44,541	\$	20,578	\$	54,140	\$	67,253			
Diluted Net Income (Loss) Per Share (GAAP)	\$	0.13	\$	0.29	\$	(6.20)	\$	(6.08)	S	0.24			
Share impact of non-GAAP adjustments identified above		0.34		0.32		6.48		6.83		0.68			
Non-GAAP Diluted Net Income Per Share	\$	0.47	\$	0.61	\$	0.28	\$	0.75	\$	0.92			
	_						_		_				
Shares used in computing non-GAAP diluted net income per share		71,837		72,797		72,793		72,197		72,838			



GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation: Q2'FY25, Q2'FY24, Q1'FY25, 1H'FY25, & 1H'FY24 Itemization

		1	Three Months Ended T September 30,		Th	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended			
					June 30,		September 30,				
			2024		2023		2024		2024		2023
(1)	Share-based compensation expense included in these amounts is as follows:										
	Cost of product revenue	\$	295	\$	349	\$	431	\$	726	\$	721
	Cost of service revenue		1,905		2,289		2,889		4,794		4,828
	Research and development		3,934		4,988		5,886		9,820		10,374
	Sales and marketing		5,275		6,675		7,504		12,779		13,959
	General and administrative		3,477		4,144		4,488		7,965		8,407
	Total share-based compensation expense	\$	14,886	\$	18,445	\$	21,198	\$	36,084	\$	38,289
(2)	Amortization expense related to acquired software and product technology, tradenames, customer relationships included in these amounts is as follows:			_		_					
	Cost of product revenue	\$	996	\$	1,638	\$	995	\$	1,991	\$	3,276
	Operating expenses		11,642		12,550		11,614		23,256		25,257
	Total amortization expense	\$	12,638	\$	14,188	\$	12,609	\$	25,247	\$	28,533
(3)	Acquisition related depreciation expense included in these amounts is as follows:			_							
	Cost of product revenue	\$	2	\$	2	\$	2	\$	4	\$	5
	Cost of service revenue		_		2		_		_		4
	Research and development		7		25		8		15		66
	Sales and marketing		2		6		2		4		14
	General and administrative		_		2		_		_		7
	Total acquisition related depreciation expense	\$	11	\$	37	\$	12	\$	23	\$	96
(4)	Legal expense (benefit) related to civil judgments included in this amount is as follows:			_							
	General and administrative	\$	_	\$	44	\$	_	\$	_	\$	85
	Total legal judgments expense	\$	_	\$	44	\$	_	\$	_	\$	85
(5)	Change in fair value of derivative instrument included in this amount is as follows:			_		_					
	Interest and other (income) expense, net	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(206)
	Total change in fair value of derivative instrument	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$		\$	(206)
(6)	Total income tax adjustment included in this amount is as follows:										·
	Tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments above	\$	(5,409)	\$	(5,829)	\$	(13,395)	\$	(18,804)	\$	(13,000)
	Total income tax adjustments	\$	(5,409)	\$	(5,829)	\$	(13,395)	\$	(18,804)	\$	(13,000)



FY'25 Financial Outlook: GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC.

Reconciliation of GAAP Financial Outlook to Non-GAAP Financial Outlook (Unaudited)

(In millions, except net income per share - diluted)

	FY'		FY'25			
Revenue	\$	829.5	$\sim \$800$ million to $\sim \!\!\$830$ million			
	1	FY'24	FY'25			
GAAP net income (loss)	\$	(147.7)	(~\$374 million) to (~\$359 million)			
Amortization of intangible assets	\$	56.9	~\$50 million			
Share-based compensation expenses	\$	70.8	~\$64 million			
Business development & integration expenses*	\$	0.1	~Less than \$1 million			
Gain on divestiture of a business	\$	(3.8)	_			
Change in fair value of derivative instrument	\$	(0.2)	_			
Legal (benefit) expense related to civil judgments	\$	(4.4)	_			
Restructuring charges	\$	_	~\$19 million to ~\$20 million			
Goodwill impairment	\$	217.3	~\$427 million			
Total adjustments	\$	336.7	~\$561 million to ~\$562 million			
Related impact of adjustments on income tax	\$	(29.8)	(~\$34 million)			
Non-GAAP net income	\$	159.1	~\$153 million to ~\$168 million			
GAAP net income (loss) per share (diluted)	\$	(2.07)	(~\$5.22) to (~\$5.01)			
Non-GAAP net income per share (diluted)	\$	2.20	~\$2.10 to ~\$2.30			
Average weighted shares outstanding (diluted GAAP)		71.5	~72 million			
Average weighted shares outstanding (diluted Non-GAAP)		72.3	~73 million			
*Business development & integration expenses include acquisition-related der	raciation av	nanca				

^{*}Business development & integration expenses include acquisition-related depreciation expense



^{**}Figures in table may not total due to rounding

