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Q2 FY 2021 Conference Call

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. October 29, 2020



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- CEO Perspective
 - Anil Singhal, President and CEO
- COO Update
 - Michael Szabados, COO
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 - Jean Bua, EVP and CFO



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CEO Perspective

Anil Singhal
President and Chief Executive Officer

Q2 FY'21 Non-GAAP Financial Results

Non-GAAP		Q2 FY'21		2 FY'20	1H FY'21			1H FY'20	
(\$ in millions, except per share data)	9/30/2020		9/30/2019		9/30/2020		30/2020 9/3		
Revenue	\$	205.3	\$	216.5	\$	389.2	\$	402.5	
Gross Margin		74.7%		76.6%		74.7%		75.8%	
Operating Margin		19.4%		14.6%		15.5%		10.9%	
EPS	\$	0.38	\$	0.28	\$	0.55	\$	0.35	

- Delivered solid EPS on lower revenue as we prudently managed costs.
- Service provider and security revenue grew.
- Lower federal government spending impacted enterprise revenue.

Business Insights and Market Trends

Service Provider Vertical

Enterprise Vertical

Security Market



FY'21 Outlook & Summary

- Our business has proven to be largely resilient during the global pandemic and uncertain macro-economic environment
- However, we are not immune, and expect FY'21 results to be affected:
 - Expect revenue to decline in the mid-to-upper single digits, on a percentage basis, compared with last fiscal year
 - Anticipate delivering annual EPS in-line with our FY'20 EPS number
- We are well-positioned when we emerge from the pandemic given our solution set and long-term market trends favoring NETSCOUT



COO Update

Michael Szabados
Chief Operating Officer

COO Highlights

Customer Wins

Go-to-Market Activities



Financial Review & FY'21 Outlook

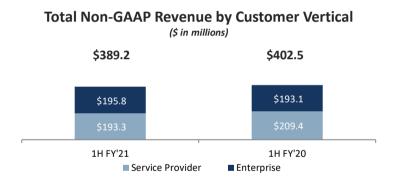
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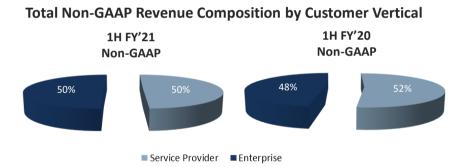
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Q2 and 1H FY'21 Results

	Q	2 FY'21	Q	2 FY'20		11	H FY'21	11	H FY'20		Q	2 FY'21	Q:	2 FY'20		1H	FY'21	1⊦	FY'20	
		GAAP		GAAP	%		GAAP	(GAAP	%	No	n-GAAP	No	n-GAAP	%	Nor	-GAAP	No	n-GAAP	%
(in millions except EPS and % data)	9/3	30/2020	9/3	30/2019	Change	9/3	30/2020	9/3	30/2019	Change	9/3	30/2020	9/3	30/2019	Change	9/3	0/2020	9/3	0/2019	Change
Revenue:																				
Product	\$	92.0	\$	102.8	-10.5%	\$	163.7	\$	178.5	-8.3%	\$	92.0	\$	102.8	-10.5%	\$	163.7	\$	178.5	-8.3%
Service	\$	113.4	\$	113.6	-0.3%	\$	225.5	\$	224.0	0.7%	\$	113.4	\$	113.7	-0.3%	\$	225.5	\$	224.0	0.6%
Total revenue	\$	205.3	\$	216.4	-5.1%	\$	389.2	\$	402.4	-3.3%	\$	205.3	\$	216.5	-5.1%	\$	389.2	\$	402.5	-3.3%
Cost of revenue	\$	58.9	\$	59.1	-0.4%	\$	111.9	\$	113.9	-1.8%	\$	52.0	\$	50.7	2.5%	\$	98.6	\$	97.5	1.2%
Gross profit	\$	146.4	\$	157.3	-6.9%	\$	277.3	\$	288.6	-3.9%	\$	153.4	\$	165.8	-7.5%	\$	290.5	\$	305.1	-4.8%
Gross profit margin		71.3%		72.7%			71.3%		71.7%			74.7%		76.6%			74.7%		75.8%	
Operating expenses	\$	142.7	\$	164.6	-13.3%	\$	288.0	\$	320.3	-10.1%	\$	113.5	\$	134.1	-15.4%	\$	230.1	\$	261.4	-12.0%
Income (loss) from operations	\$	3.8	\$	(7.3)	-151.8%	\$	(10.7)	\$	(31.7)	-66.3%	\$	39.8	\$	31.6	25.9%	\$	60.5	\$	43.7	38.4%
Income (loss) from operations margin		1.8%		-3.4%			-2.8%		-7.9%			19.4%		14.6%			15.5%		10.9%	
Net income (loss)	\$	(3.7)	\$	(17.5)	-78.9%	\$	(21.1)	\$	(46.8)	-54.9%	\$	28.2	\$	21.4	32.2%	\$	40.5	\$	27.0	50.1%
Diluted net income (loss) per share	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.23)	-78.3%	\$	(0.29)	\$	(0.61)	-52.5%	\$	0.38	\$	0.28	35.7%	\$	0.55	\$	0.35	57.1%
Diluted shares outstanding		73.1		75.7	-3.5%		72.7		76.5	-5.0%		73.6		76.3	-3.6%		73.5		77.4	-5.0%

1st Half FY'21 Revenue Trends: Customer Verticals



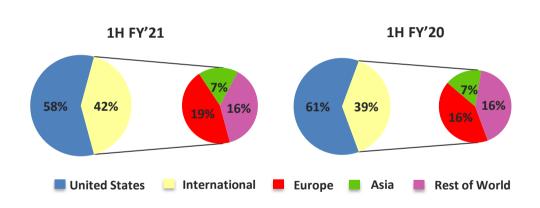


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1st Half FY'21 Revenue Trends: Geographic Mix on a GAAP Basis

	1H FY'21 GAAP 9/30/20	1H FY'20 GAAP 9/30/19
Total Revenue	\$389.2	\$402.4
United States	\$227.4	\$246.6
International	\$161.8	\$155.8
Europe	\$72.7	\$65.2
Asia	\$27.6	\$25.7
Rest of World	\$61.5	\$64.9



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GAAP Balance Sheet Highlights & Free Cash Flow(in millions)

(Unaudited)	Q2 FY'21 9/30/20
Cash and Securities*	\$ 427.8
Accounts Receivable, Net	\$ 169.7
Inventories	\$ 26.2
Total Long-Term Debt	\$ 450.0
Total Deferred Revenue	\$ 335.8
Total Stockholders' Equity	\$ 1,939.3

^{*} Cash and securities defined as cash, cash equivalents and short-term and long-term marketable securities

Free Cash Flow											
	Q1	FY'21	Qź	2 FY'21		H FY'21					
	6/3	0/2020	9/3	0/2020	9/3	30/2020					
Operating Cash Flow	\$	44.9	\$	11.7	\$	56.6					
Purchase of Fixed Assets & Intangible Assets	\$	(6.8)	\$	(3.5)	\$	(10.3)					
Free Cash Flow	\$	38.1	\$	8.3	\$	46.3					

Financial Profile	
	Q2 FY'21 9/30/2020
Cash and Securities position	\$427.8
Liquidity	3.6x
Gross leverage	2.2x
Net leverage	0.2x

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 in the Company's senior secured credit facility, gross leverage is calculated as total debt plus contingent liabilities divided by the 12-month trailing adjusted non-GAAP EBITDA.

Net leverage is calculated as total debt plus contingent liabilities minus cash and securities* divided by the 12-month trailing adjusted non-GAAP EBITDA (as defined within the Company's senior secured credit facility).

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

FY'21 Non-GAAP Outlook

- Revenue expect a decline in the mid-toupper single digits, on a percentage basis, compared with FY'20
- **EPS** anticipate EPS in-line with our FY'20 EPS

FY'21 Capital Structure Items

- * Anticipate a tax rate of ~23%
- * Estimate ~74 million weighted average diluted shares outstanding



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Upcoming Investor Event

Date	Event	Location
November 18, 2020	RBC Global Technology, Internet, Media, and Telecommunications Conference	Virtual



GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation: Q2'FY21, Q2'FY20, Q1'FY21, 1H'FY21 & 1H'FY20 Revenue

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. Reconciliation of Current GAAP to Current and Historical Non-GAAP Financial Measures (In thousands, except per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,			lonths Ended June 30,		hs Ended nber 30,
	2020	2019	2020		2020	2019
Product Revenue (GAAP)	\$ 91,979	\$ 102,775	\$	116,538	\$ 163,672	\$ 178,494
Non-GAAP Product Revenue	\$ 91,979	\$ 102,775	\$	116,538	\$ 163,672	\$ 178,494
Service Revenue (GAAP) Service deferred revenue fair value adjustment	\$ 113,360 -	\$ 113,646 48	\$	112,813 48	\$ 225,482	\$ 223,951 96
Non-GAAP Service Revenue	\$ 113,360	\$ 113,694	\$	112,861	\$ 225,482	\$ 224,047
Revenue (GAAP)	\$ 205,339	\$ 216,421	\$	183,815	\$ 389,154	\$ 402,445
Service deferred revenue fair value adjustment	1	48		2	3	96
Non-GAAP Revenue	\$ 205,340	\$ 216,469	\$	183,817	\$ 389,157	\$ 402,541

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GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation: Q2'FY21, Q2'FY20, Q1'FY21, 1H'FY21 & 1H'FY20 Gross Profit, Income from Operations and Net Income (loss)

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Reconciliation of Current GAAP to Current and Historical Non-GAAP Financial Measures (In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

		nths Ended nber 30,	lonths Ended June 30,	Six Monti Septem	
	2020	2019	 2020	2020	2019
Gross Profit (GAAP)	\$ 146,439	\$ 157,289	\$ 130,835	\$ 277,274	\$ 288,570
Service deferred revenue fair value adjustment	1	48	2	3	96
Share-based compensation expense (1)	2,154	2,187	1,595	3,749	3,921
Amortization of acquired intangible assets (2)	4,765	6,225	4,735	9,500	12,455
Acquisition related depreciation expense (6)	5	6	6	11	19
Non-GAAP Gross Profit	\$ 153,364	\$ 165,755	\$ 137,173	\$ 290,537	\$ 305,061
Income (loss) from Operations (GAAP)	\$ 3,779	\$ (7,295)	\$ (14,487)	\$ (10,708)	\$ (31,743)
Service deferred revenue fair value adjustment	1	48	2	3	96
Share-based compensation expense (1)	15,736	15,857	12,096	27,832	28,600
Amortization of acquired intangible assets (2)	20,128	22,357	19,996	40,124	44,730
Business development and integration expense (3)	-	39	16	16	18
New standard implementation expense (4)		-	-	-	9
Compensation for post-combination services (5)	63	135	64	127	328
Restructuring charges	(31)	150	93	62	273
Acquisition related depreciation expense (6)	60	69	61	121	190
Transitional service agreement income (7)	101	275	-	101	1,184
Legal judgments expense (8)			 2,804	2,804	
Non-GAAP Income from Operations	\$ 39,837	\$ 31,635	\$ 20,645	\$ 60,482	\$ 43,685
Net Loss (GAAP)	\$ (3,686)	\$ (17,472)	\$ (17,420)	\$ (21,106)	\$ (46,815)
Service deferred revenue fair value adjustment	1	48	2	3	96
Share-based compensation expense (1)	15,736	15,857	12,096	27,832	28,600
Amortization of acquired intangible assets (2)	20,128	22,357	19,996	40,124	44,730
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Acquisition related depreciation expense (6)	60	69	61	121	190
Change in contingent consideration	-	(6)	-	-	517
Legal judgments expense (8)		-	2,804	2,804	
Income tax adjustments (9)	(4,027)	181	 (5,496)	(9,523)	(994)
Non-GAAP Net Income	\$ 28,244	\$ 21,358	\$ 12,216	\$ 40,460	\$ 26,952
Diluted Net Loss Per Share (GAAP)	\$ (0.05)	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.24)	\$ (0.29)	\$ (0.61)
Share impact of non-GAAP adjustments identified above	0.43	0.51	 0.41	0.84	0.96
Non-GAAP Diluted Net Income Per Share	\$ 0.38 20	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.35
Shares used in computing non-GAAP diluted net income per share	73,594	76,310	73,454	73,521	77,387

GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation: Q2'FY21, Q2'FY20, Q1'FY21, 1H'FY21 & 1H'FY20 Itemization

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. Reconciliation of Current GAAP to Current talk listorical Non-GAAP Financial Measures - Continued (In thousands) (In unudited)

		Three Months Ended September 30,		Three Months Ended June 30.	Six Mont Septen	hs Ended ber 30.
		2020	2019	2020	2020	2019
(1)	Share-based compensation expense included in these amounts is as follows: Cost of product revenue Cost of service revenue Research and development Sales and marketing General and administrative	\$ 344 1,810 4,935 5,357 3,290	\$ 345 1,842 4,820 5,288 3,562	\$ 245 1,350 3,781 3,992 2,728	\$ 589 3,160 8,716 9,349 6,018	\$ 612 3,309 8,639 9,423 6,617
	Total share-based compensation expense	\$ 15,736	\$ 15,857	\$ 12,096	\$ 27,832	\$ 28,600
(2)	Amortization expense related to acquired software and product technology, tradenames, customer relationships included in these amounts is as follows: Cost of product revenue Operating expenses Total amortization expense	\$ 4,765 15,363 \$ 20,128	\$ 6,225 16,132 \$ 22,357	\$ 4,735 15,261 \$ 19,996	\$ 9,500 30,624 \$ 40,124	\$ 12,455 32,275 \$ 44,730
(3)	Business development and integration expense included in these amounts is as follows: Research and development General and administrative Total business development and integration expense	\$ - - \$ -	\$ - 39 \$ 39	\$ - 16 \$ 16	\$ - 16 \$ 16	\$ 43 (25) \$ 18
(4)	New standard implementation expense included in these amounts is as follows: General and administrative Total new standard implementation expense	\$ - \$ -	\$ - \$ -	\$ - \$ -	<u>\$</u> -	\$ 9
(5)	Compensation for post-combination services included in these amounts is as follows: Research and development Sales and marketing Total compensation for post-combination services	\$ 62 1 \$ 63	\$ 135 - \$ 135	\$ 63 1 \$ 64	\$ 125 2 \$ 127	\$ 328 - \$ 328
(6)	Acquisition related depreciation expense included in these amounts is as follows: Cost of product revenue Cost of service revenue Research and development Sales and marketing General and administrative Total acquisition related despreciation expense	\$ 3 2 42 9 4 \$ 60	\$ 4 2 48 9 6 \$ 69	\$ 4 2 42 9 4 \$ 61	\$ 7 4 84 18 8 \$ 121	\$ 14 5 131 19 21 \$ 190
(7)	Transitional service agreement income included in these amounts is as follows: Research and development Sales and marketing General and administrative Other Income (expense), net Total transitional service agreement income	\$ 11 16 74 (101)	\$ 10 42 223 (275) \$ -	\$	\$ 11 16 74 (101) \$ -	\$ 112 168 904 (1,184) \$ -
(8)	Legal judgments expense included in these amounts is as follows: General and administrative Total legal judgments expense	\$ - \$ -	\$ - \$ -	\$ 2,804 \$ 2,804	\$ 2,804 \$ 2,804	\$ -
(9)	Total income tax adjustment included in these amounts is as follows: Tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments above Total income tax adjustments	\$ (4,027) \$ (4,027)	\$ 181 \$ 181	\$ (5,496) \$ (5,496)	\$ (9,523) \$ (9,523)	\$ (994) \$ (994)

