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# FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF  $^{\rm X}$  1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2016

or

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

For the transition period from to

Commission file number: 000-50129

#### HUDSON GLOBAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 59-3547281

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1325 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (212) 351-7300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No o

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definition of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer", and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filero Accelerated filer x Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting companyo

Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No x

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class Outstanding on September 30, 2016

Common Stock - \$0.001 par value 32,205,826

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# PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# HUDSON GLOBAL, INC.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except per share amounts) (unaudited)

(unaudica)							
	Three Months Ended						
	Septembe			Septemb	er		
	2016	2015		2016		2015	
Revenue	\$108,136	\$110,028	3	\$322,430	)	\$357,088	3
Direct costs	64,594	64,883		190,787		213,817	
Gross margin	43,542	45,145		131,643		143,271	
Operating expenses:							
Selling, general and administrative expenses	43,344	45,565		135,301		151,281	
Depreciation and amortization	801	955		2,294		3,040	
Business reorganization expenses	183	2,264		964		5,667	
Total operating expenses	44,328	48,784		138,559		159,988	
Gain (loss) on sale and exit of businesses	_	(187	)			19,818	
Operating income (loss)	(786	) (3,826	)	(6,916	)	3,101	
Non-operating income (expense):							
Interest income (expense), net	(109	) (93	)	(264	)	(542	)
Other income (expense), net	(295	) 242		(445	)	215	
Income (loss) from continuing operations before provision for income	(1,190	) (2 677	`	(7,625	`	2 774	
taxes	(1,190	) (3,677	)	(7,023	)	2,774	
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes from continuing operations	718	(1,648	)	1,200		(1,317	)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(1,908	) (2,029	)	(8,825	)	4,091	
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	35	(55	)	327		864	
Net income (loss)	\$(1,873	) \$(2,084	)	\$(8,498	)	\$4,955	
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share:							
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations	\$(0.06	) \$(0.06	)	\$(0.26	)	\$0.12	
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share from discontinued operations	S —			0.01		0.03	
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$(0.06	) \$(0.06	)	\$(0.25	)	\$0.15	
Weighted-average shares outstanding:							
Basic	33,572	34,687		34,121		33,784	
Diluted	33,572	34,687		34,121		33,795	

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

# HUDSON GLOBAL, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

(unaudited)

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	Ended Se	ptember	Ended Septembe	
	30,		30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Comprehensive income (loss):				
Net income (loss)	\$(1,873)	\$(2,084)	\$(8,498)	\$4,955
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Foreign currency translation adjustment, net of income taxes	300	(1,876)	(864)	(3,447)
Pension liability adjustment	(4)	(5)	(11)	(24)
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net of income taxes	296	(1,881)	(875)	(3,471)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$(1,577)	\$(3,965)	\$(9,373)	\$1,484

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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# HUDSON GLOBAL, INC.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

(unaudited)

	September 30 2016	, December 31, 2015	,
ASSETS	2010	2013	
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 17,402	\$ 37,663	
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$867 and \$860, respectivel		62,420	
Prepaid and other	4,831	5,979	
Current assets of discontinued operations	38	81	
Total current assets	87,201	106,143	
Property and equipment, net	7,276	7,928	
Deferred tax assets, non-current	5,967	6,724	
Other assets, non-current	4,497	4,154	
Total assets	\$ 104,941	\$ 124,949	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	φ 10 1,5 11	Ψ 12 1,5 15	
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 3,970	\$ 5,184	
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	36,135	40,344	
Short-term borrowings	8,095	2,368	
Accrued business reorganization expenses	1,632	2,252	
Current liabilities of discontinued operations	363	1,443	
Total current liabilities	50,195	51,591	
Deferred rent and tenant improvement contributions	3,458	4,244	
Income tax payable, non-current	2,246	2,279	
Other non-current liabilities	4,340	5,655	
Total liabilities	60,239	63,769	
Commitments and contingencies			
Stockholders' equity:			
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 10,000 shares authorized; none issued or outstanding	_	_	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 100,000 shares authorized; issued 35,208 and 35,260	34	34	
shares, respectively	34	34	
Additional paid-in capital	482,094	480,816	
Accumulated deficit	(440,186)	(428,287)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of applicable tax	9,417	10,292	
Treasury stock, 3,003 and 646 shares, respectively, at cost	(6,657)	(1,675)	
Total stockholders' equity	44,702	61,180	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 104,941	\$ 124,949	

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

# HUDSON GLOBAL, INC.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Nine Mor Ended Se 30,	eptember
	2016	2015
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income (loss)	\$(8,498)	\$4,955
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,294	3,040
Provision for (recovery of) doubtful accounts	224	227
Provision for (benefit from) deferred income taxes	690	(1,628)
Stock-based compensation	1,278	3,961
Gain on sale and exit of businesses		(21,228)
Other, net	190	218
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable		(4,451)
Decrease (increase) in prepaid and other assets	502	3,028
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities		(7,197)
Increase (decrease) in accrued business reorganization expenses	(2,566)	
Net cash used in operating activities	(15,055)	(18,152)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(1,820)	(2,384)
Proceeds from sale of consolidated subsidiary, net of cash sold	_	7,894
Proceeds from sale of assets	42	16,815
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(1,778)	22,325
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Borrowings under credit agreements	89,804	110,412
Repayments under credit agreements	(84,280)	(110,268)
Repayment of capital lease obligations	(63)	(24)
Dividend payments	(3,401)	<b>—</b>
Purchase of treasury stock	(4,917)	(712)
Purchase of restricted stock from employees	(65)	(239)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(2,922)	(831)
Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents	(506)	(970 )
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(20,261)	2,372
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	37,663	33,989
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	\$17,402	\$36,361
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$249	\$143
Net cash payments (refunds) during the period for income taxes	\$731	\$13

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

# HUDSON GLOBAL, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (in thousands) (unaudited)

	Commo	n	Additional paid-in capital	Accumulate deficit	Accumulated other comprehens income (los	siv		Total	
	Shares	Value	2						
Balance at December 31, 2015	34,611	\$ 34	\$480,816	\$ (428,287	\$ 10,292		\$(1,675)	\$61,180	)
Net income (loss)		_	_	(8,498	) —		_	(8,498	)
Other comprehensive income (loss),									
currency translation adjustments, net of applicable tax	_	_			(864	)	_	(864	)
Other comprehensive income (loss), pension liability adjustment	_	_	_	_	(11	)	_	(11	)
Cash dividends (\$0.10 per share)		_	_	(3,401	) —			(3,401	)
Purchase of treasury stock	(2,319)	_		_			(4,917)	(4,917	)
Purchase of restricted stock from employees	(35)	_	_				(65)	(65	)
Stock-based compensation	(52)	_	1,278					1,278	
Balance at September 30, 2016	32,205	\$ 34	\$482,094	\$ (440,186	\$ 9,417		\$(6,657)	\$44,702	2

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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#### NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

These interim unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with United States of America ("U.S.") generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP") for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes of Hudson Global, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the "Company") filed in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported amounts of operating revenues and expenses. These estimates are based on management's knowledge and judgments. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for a fair presentation of the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows at the dates and for the periods presented have been included. The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations for the full year. The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company and all of its wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries. All significant intra-entity balances and transactions between and among the Company and its subsidiaries have been eliminated in consolidation.

# NOTE 2 – DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

The Company is comprised of the operations, assets and liabilities of the three Hudson regional businesses of Hudson Americas, Hudson Asia Pacific, and Hudson Europe ("Hudson regional businesses" or "Hudson"). The Company provides specialized professional-level recruitment and related talent solutions. The Company's core service offerings include Permanent Recruitment, Temporary Contracting, Recruitment Process Outsourcing ("RPO") and Talent Management Solutions.

The Company operates in 12 countries with three reportable geographic business segments: Hudson Americas, Hudson Asia Pacific, and Hudson Europe. See Note 18 for further details regarding the reportable segments. Corporate expenses are reported separately from the reportable segments and pertain to certain functions, such as executive management, corporate governance, human resources, accounting, tax, marketing, information technology and treasury. A portion of these expenses are attributed to the reportable segments for providing the above services to them and have been allocated to the segments as management service fees and are included in the segments' non-operating other income (expense).

The Company's core service offerings include those services described below.

Permanent Recruitment: Offered on both a retained and contingent basis, Hudson's Permanent Recruitment services leverage its consultants, psychologists and other professionals in the development and delivery of its proprietary methods to identify, select and engage the best-fit talent for critical client roles.

Temporary Contracting: In Temporary Contracting, Hudson provides a range of project management, interim management and professional contract staffing services. These services draw upon a combination of specialized recruiting and project management competencies to deliver a wide range of solutions. Hudson-employed professionals - either individually or as a team - are placed with client organizations for a defined period of time based on a client's specific business need.

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RPO: Hudson RPO delivers both permanent recruitment and temporary contracting outsourced recruitment solutions tailored to the individual needs of primarily mid-to-large-cap multinational companies. Hudson RPO's delivery teams utilize state-of-the-art recruitment process methodologies and project management expertise in their flexible, turnkey solutions to meet clients' ongoing business needs. Hudson RPO services include complete recruitment outsourcing, project-based outsourcing, contingent workforce solutions and recruitment consulting.

Talent Management Solutions: Featuring embedded proprietary talent assessment and selection methodologies, Hudson's Talent Management capability encompasses services such as talent assessment (utilizing a variety of competency, attitude and experiential testing), interview training, executive coaching, employee development and outplacement.

# NOTE 3 – RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In August 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-15, "Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230) - Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments" ("ASU 2016-15"), which provides clarification on how companies present and classify certain cash receipts and cash payments in the statement of cash flows. ASU 2016-15 will be effective after December 15, 2017 and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. If an entity early adopts the amendments in an interim period, any adjustments must be reflected as of the beginning of the fiscal year that includes that interim period. An entity that elects early adoption must adopt all of the amendments in the same period. The Company is currently evaluating the impact to its consolidated financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-09, "Stock Compensation (Topic 718)" ("ASU 2016-09"), which is intended to simplify several aspects of the accounting for share-based payment award transactions. ASU 2016-09 will be effective for the fiscal year beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within that year. Early adoption is permitted and is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, "Leases (Topic 842)" ("ASU 2016-02"), which amends the existing standards for lease accounting. This new standard requires the recognition of lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet and the disclosure of key information about leasing arrangements including the amounts, timing, and uncertainty of cash flows arising from leases. ASU 2016-02 will be effective for the Company on January 1, 2019 and will require modified retrospective application as of the beginning of the earliest year presented in the financial statements. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact to its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)." This ASU is a comprehensive new revenue recognition model that requires a company to recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to a customer at an amount that reflects the consideration it expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. This ASU also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. In July 2015, the FASB amended the effective date of this ASU to fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017 and early adoption is permitted only for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016. In March, April and May 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-08 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Principal versus Agent Considerations (Reporting Revenue Gross versus Net)," ASU 2016-10 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Identifying Performance Obligations and Licensing," and ASU 2016-12 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Narrow-Scope Improvements and Practical Expedients" which provide further clarifications to be considered when implementing ASU 2014-09. The Company plans to adopt this guidance on January 1, 2018. Companies may use either a full retrospective or a modified retrospective approach to adopt this ASU. The Company is currently evaluating the impact to its

consolidated financial statements.

There are no other recently issued accounting pronouncements that have had, or that the Company believes will have, a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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#### NOTE 4 – DIVESTITURES

Hudson Information Technology (US) business (the "US IT business")

On June 15, 2015, the Company completed the sale (the "US IT Business Sale") of substantially all of the assets (excluding working capital) of its US IT business to Mastech, Inc. (the "Purchaser"). The completion of the US IT Business Sale was effective June 14, 2015. The US IT Business Sale was pursuant to an Asset Purchase Agreement, dated as of May 8, 2015 (the "Agreement"), by and among the Company, Hudson Global Resources Management, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and the Purchaser. At the closing of the U.S. IT Business Sale, the Company received from the Purchaser pursuant to the Agreement the purchase price of \$16,977 in cash. The US IT business pre-tax loss in accordance with ASC No. 205 "Reporting Discontinued Operations" ("ASC 205") for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 was \$0 and \$130, respectively.

On the US IT Business Sale, for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 the Company recognized a pre-tax gain of \$15,918, net of closing and other direct transaction costs. Income tax on the gain was \$11. For U.S. Federal income tax purposes, the gain is offset in full by net operating loss carryforwards. For state and local income tax purposes, the gain was mostly offset by net operating loss carryforwards. As the divestiture did not meet the requirements for classification as discontinued operations, the results of operations and the gain on sale is presented as a component of income (loss) from operations.

#### Netherlands business

On May 7, 2015, the Company entered into a Share Purchase Agreement and completed the sale (the "Netherlands Business Sale") of its Netherlands business to InterBalance Group B.V., effective April 30, 2015, in a management buyout for \$9,029, which included cash retained of \$1,135. As the divestiture did not reach the thresholds required to qualify as discontinued operations, the operations remain within the Company's continuing operations for all periods presented. The Netherlands pre-tax profit in accordance with ASC 205 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 was \$0 and \$373, respectively.

# Exit of Businesses in Central and Eastern Europe

In February 2015, the Company's Board of Directors approved the exit of operations in certain countries within Central and Eastern Europe (Ukraine, Czech Republic and Slovakia). During the quarter ended June 30, 2015, the Company deemed the liquidation of its Central and Eastern Europe businesses to be substantially complete. As such, under ASC 830, "Foreign Currency Matters," for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 the Company transferred \$4 and \$1,190 of accumulated foreign currency translation gains from accumulated other comprehensive income to the statement of operations within gain on sale and exit of businesses.

#### Luxembourg

In March 2015, the Company's management approved the exit of operations in Luxembourg. In the third quarter of 2015, the Company deemed the liquidation of its Luxembourg business to be substantially complete. As such, under ASC 830, "Foreign Currency Matters," for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 the Company transferred \$131 of accumulated foreign currency translation losses from accumulated other comprehensive income to the statement of operations within gain on sale and exit of businesses.

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# NOTE 5 – DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

Effective November 9, 2014, the Company completed the sale of substantially all of the assets and certain liabilities of its Legal eDiscovery business in the U.S. and United Kingdom ("U.K.") to Document Technologies, LLC and DTI of London Limited. In addition, in 2014, the Company ceased operations in Sweden, which was included within the Hudson Europe segment. The Company concluded that the divestiture of the Legal eDiscovery business and the cessation of operations in Sweden meet the criteria for discontinued operations set forth in ASC 205. The Company reclassified its discontinued operations for all periods presented and has excluded the results of its discontinued operations from continuing operations and from segment results for all periods presented.

The carrying amounts of the classes of assets and liabilities from the Legal eDiscovery business and Sweden operations included in discontinued operations were as follows:

September 30, 2016 December 31, 2015 eDisconvergen Total eDiscovnergen Total Total current assets \$38 \$ — \$38 \$49 \$ 32 \$81 Total liabilities (a) \$396 \$ 10 \$406 \$1,439 \$ 4 \$1,443

(a) Total liabilities primarily consisted of restructuring liabilities for lease termination payments.

Reported results for the discontinued operations by period were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2016  Three Months Ended September 30, 2015
	eDiscoSweeylen Total eDiscoSovyyden Total
Revenue	\$30 \$ -\$30 \$ \$11 \$11
Gross margin	71 — 71 124 11 135
Reorganization expenses	34 — 34 155 — 155
Operating income (loss), excluding gain (loss) from sale of business	29 — 29 (98 ) 1 (97 )
Gain (loss) from sale and liquidation of discontinued operations (1)	<u> </u>
Income (loss) from discontinued operations before income taxes	29 — 29 (54 ) (1 ) (55 )
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(6) — $(6)$ — — —
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	\$35 \$ -\$35 \$(54) \$ (1 ) \$(55)

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	Nine M	onths Ended	Nine Months Er	nded
	Septem	ber 30, 2016	September 30, 2	2015
	eDiscov	Sewyeden Total	eDiscov <b>S</b> rweden	Total
Revenue	\$30	\$ _\$30	\$(1) \$17	\$16
Gross margin	130 -	130	21 17	38
Reorganization expenses	(309) -	<b>—</b> (309)	511 (29	482
Operating income (loss), excluding gain (loss) from sale of business	385 -	<b>—</b> 385	(593) 18	(575)
Other non-operating income (loss), including interest			(8 ) —	(8)
Gain (loss) from sale and liquidation of discontinued operations (1)			138 1,272	1,410
Income (loss) from discontinued operations before income taxes	385 -	<b>—</b> 385	(463 ) 1,290	827
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	58 -	58	(37 ) —	(37)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	\$327	\$ _\$327	\$(426) \$1,290	\$864

<sup>(1)</sup> During the quarter ended June 30, 2015, the Company deemed the liquidation of its Sweden business to be substantially complete. As such under ASC 830, "Foreign Currency Matters," for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015, the Company transferred the amount of the foreign entity's accumulated foreign currency translation gains and losses from accumulated other comprehensive income to income (loss) from discontinued operations.

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#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### NOTE 6 - REVENUE, DIRECT COSTS AND GROSS MARGIN

The Company's revenue, direct costs and gross margin were as follows:

Three Months Ended September 30,

2016

Temporar Permanent Contracti Recruitment

Revenue \$70,440 \$ 28,437 \$9,259 \$108,136

Direct costs (1) 61,619 627 2,348 64,594

Gross margin \$8,821 \$ 27,810 \$6,911 \$43,542

Three Months Ended September 30,

2015

Temporar**₽**ermanent Other Total Contracti Recruitment \$70,810 \$ 30,263 Revenue \$8,955 \$110,028 Direct costs (1) 61,562 867 2,454 64,883 Gross margin \$9,248 \$ 29,396 \$6,501 \$45,145 Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016 Temporary Permanent Other Total Contractin Recruitment Revenue \$208,330 \$ 84,499 \$29,601 \$322,430 Direct costs (1) 181,797 1,812 7,178 190,787 Gross margin \$26,533 \$ 82,687 \$22,423 \$131,643

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015

		y Permanent	Other	Total
	Contractin	Recruitment	Other	Total
Revenue	\$237,778	\$ 90,242	\$29,068	\$357,088
Direct costs (1)	204,279	2,049	7,489	213,817
Gross margin	\$33,499	\$ 88,193	\$21,579	\$143,271

Direct costs in Temporary Contracting include the direct staffing costs of salaries, payroll taxes, employee benefits, travel expenses, rent and insurance costs for the Company's contractors and reimbursed out-of-pocket expenses and other direct costs. Permanent Recruitment and Other category include direct costs for out-of-pocket expenses and (1)third party suppliers. The region where services are provided, the mix of contracting and permanent recruitment, and the functional nature of the staffing services provided can affect gross margin. The salaries, commissions, payroll taxes and employee benefits related to recruitment professionals are included under the caption "Selling, general and administrative expenses" in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### NOTE 7 – STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

**Incentive Compensation Plan** 

The Company maintains the Hudson Global, Inc. 2009 Incentive Stock and Awards Plan, as amended and restated May 24, 2016 (the "ISAP"), pursuant to which it can issue equity-based compensation incentives to eligible participants. The ISAP permits the granting of stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units, and other types of equity-based awards, The Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee") will establish such conditions as it deems appropriate on the granting or vesting of stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units and other types of equity-based awards. As determined by the Compensation Committee, equity awards also may be subject to immediate vesting upon the occurrence of certain events following a change in control of the Company. The Company primarily grants restricted stock and restricted stock units to its employees. A restricted stock unit is equivalent to one share of the Company's common stock and is payable only in common stock of the Company issued under the ISAP.

The Compensation Committee administers the ISAP and may designate any of the following as a participant under the ISAP: any officer or other employee of the Company or its affiliates or individuals engaged to become an officer or employee; consultants or other independent contractors who provide services to the Company or its affiliates; and non-employee directors of the Company. On May 24, 2016, the Company's stockholders approved an amendment and restatement of the ISAP to, among other things, increase the number of shares of the Company's common stock that are reserved for issuance by 2,400,000 shares. As of September 30, 2016, there were 2,567,135 shares of the Company's common stock available for future issuance under the ISAP.

The Company's stock plan agreements provide that a change in control of the Company will occur if, among other things, individuals who were directors as of the date of the agreement and any new director whose appointment or election was approved or recommended by a vote of at least two-thirds of the directors then in office who were either directors on the date of the agreement or whose appointment or election was previously so approved or recommended (each, a "continuing director") cease to constitute a majority of the Company's directors. A change in control occurred as of the Company's 2015 annual meeting of stockholders on June 15, 2015 under these agreements because continuing directors ceased to constitute a majority of the Company's directors. As a result, certain equity awards vested resulting in an accelerated stock-based compensation expense of \$2,541 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. A summary of the quantity and vesting conditions for stock-based units granted to the Company's employees for the

nine months ended September 30, 2016 was as follows:

Number of Restricted Stock Units

Vesting conditions

(a)

Performance and service conditions (1) (2) 500,000

(1) The performance conditions with respect to restricted stock units may be satisfied as follows:

Granted

For employees from the Americas, Asia Pacific and Europe 80% of the restricted stock units may be earned on the basis of performance as measured by a "regional adjusted EBITDA," and 20% of the restricted stock units may be earned on the basis of performance as measured by a "group adjusted EBITDA"; and

- For employees from the Corporate office 100% of the restricted stock units may be earned on the basis of performance as measured by a "group adjusted EBITDA."
- To the extent restricted stock units are earned on the basis of performance, such restricted stock units will vest on the basis of service as follows: the basis of service as follows:
- One-third of the restricted stock units will vest on the first anniversary of the grant (a) date:

(b) One-third of the restricted stock units will vest on the second anniversary of the grant date; and One-third of the restricted stock units will vest on the third anniversary of the grant date; provided that, in each (c) case, the employee remains employed by the Company from the grant date through the applicable service vesting date.

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The Company also maintains the Director Deferred Share Plan (the "Director Plan") pursuant to which it can issue restricted stock units to its non-employee directors. A restricted stock unit is equivalent to one share of the Company's common stock and is payable only in common stock issued under the ISAP upon a director ceasing service as a member of the Board of Directors of the Company. The restricted stock units vest immediately upon grant and are credited to each of the non-employee director's retirement accounts under the Director Plan. Restricted stock units issued under the Director Plan contain the right to a dividend equivalent award in the form of additional restricted stock units. The dividend equivalent award is calculated using the same rate as the cash dividend paid on a share of the Company's common stock, and then divided by the closing price of the Company's common stock on the date the dividend is paid to determine the number of additional restricted stock units to grant. Dividend equivalent awards have the same vesting terms as the underlying awards. During the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Company granted 212,440 restricted stock units to its non-employee directors pursuant to the Director Plan.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, the Company's stock-based compensation expense related to stock options, restricted stock and restricted stock units were as follows:

	Three Month Ended	s	Nine Months Ended			
	Septen	nber	September 30			
	30,		September 50,			
	2016	2015	2016	2015		
Stock options	\$5	\$—	\$15	<b>\$</b> —		
Restricted stock	172	138	632	2,998		
Restricted stock units	(25)	65	631	963		
Total	\$152	\$203	\$1,278	\$3,961		

#### **Stock Options**

Stock options granted by the Company generally expire between five and ten years after the date of grant and have an exercise price of at least 100% of the fair market value of the underlying share of common stock on the date of grant. As of September 30, 2016, the Company had approximately \$2 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to outstanding unvested stock options. The Company expects to recognize that cost over a weighted average service period of 0.10 years.

Changes in the Company's stock options for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	2016			2015		
		W	eighted		W	eighted
	Number of Average N			Number of Average		
	Options	Ex	ercise Price	Options	Ex	ercise Price
		pe	r Share		pe	r Share
Options outstanding at January 1,	206,000	\$	8.13	756,800	\$	8.78
Expired/forfeited	(82,500)	11	.09	(133,300)	13	.78
Options outstanding at September 30,	123,500	\$	6.16	623,500	\$	7.72
Options exercisable at September 30,	98,500	\$	7.09	623,500	\$	7.72

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#### Restricted Stock

As of September 30, 2016, the Company had approximately \$50 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to outstanding unvested restricted stock. The Company expects to recognize that cost over a weighted average service period of 0.12 years. Restricted stock awards have voting and dividend rights as of the grant date. Changes in the Company's restricted stock for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	2016		2015			
		Weighted		Weighted		
	Number o	fAverage	Number of	Average		
	Shares of	Grant	Shares of	Grant		
	Restricted	Date	Restricted	Date		
	Stock	Fair	Stock	Fair		
		Value		Value		
Unvested restricted stock at January 1,	680,000	\$ 1.60	803,999	\$ 3.00		
Granted			1,090,500	2.12		
Vested	(180,000)	2.49	(1,204,798)	2.90		
Forfeited	(51,800)	0.79	(189,701)	3.14		
Unvested restricted stock at September 30,	448,200	\$ 1.38	500,000	\$ 1.27		

# Restricted Stock Units

As of September 30, 2016, the Company had approximately \$265 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to outstanding unvested restricted stock units. The Company expects to recognize that cost over a weighted average service period of 1.57. Restricted stock units have no voting or dividend rights until the awards are vested. Changes in the Company's restricted stock units for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			0,
	2016		2015	
	Number of Weighted		Number of Weighted	
	Restricted Average		Restricted Average	
	Stock	Grant-Date	Stock	Grant-Date
	Units	Fair Value	Units	Fair Value
Unvested restricted stock units at January 1,	_	\$ —	119,940	\$ 3.57
Granted	712,440	2.64	349,742	2.47
Vested	(212,440)	2.28	(427,182)	2.71
Forfeited	_		(42,500)	3.21
Unvested restricted stock units at September 30,	500,000	\$ 2.79		\$ —

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#### Defined Contribution Plan and Employer-Matching Contributions

The Company maintains the Hudson Global, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan (the "401(k) plan"). The 401(k) plan allows eligible employees to contribute up to 15% of their earnings to the 401(k) plan. The Company has the discretion to match employees' contributions up to 3% of the employees' earnings through a contribution of the Company's common stock or cash to the 401(k) plan. Vesting of the Company's contribution occurs over a five-year period. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, the Company's current year expenses and contributions to satisfy the prior years' employer-matching liability for the 401(k) plan were as follows:

	Three	Months	Nine N	Months
	Ended		Ended	
	Septen	nber 30,	, Septer	nber 30,
(\$ in thousands, except otherwise stated)	2016	2015	2016	2015
Expense recognized for the 401(k) plan	\$ 44	\$ 32	\$ 117	\$ 159
Contributions to satisfy prior years' employer-matching liability				
Number of shares of the Company's common stock issued (in thousands)				116
Market value per share of the Company's common stock on contribution date (in dollars	s)\$ —	\$ —	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ 2.71
Non-cash contribution made for employer matching liability	\$ —	\$ —	\$ <i>-</i>	\$314
Cash contribution made for employer-matching liability	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 162	\$ <i>—</i>
Total contribution made for employer-matching liability	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 162	\$314

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#### NOTE 8 - INCOME TAXES

Under ASC 270, "Interim Reporting", and ASC 740-270, "Income Taxes – Intra Period Tax Allocation", the Company is required to adjust its effective tax rate for each quarter to be consistent with the estimated annual effective tax rate. Jurisdictions with a projected loss for the full year where no tax benefit can be recognized are excluded from the calculation of the estimated annual effective tax rate. Applying the provisions of ASC 270 and ASC 740-270 could result in a higher or lower effective tax rate during a particular quarter, based upon the mix and timing of actual earnings versus annual projections.

# Effective Tax Rate

The provision for income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was \$1,200 on a pre-tax loss from continuing operations of \$7,625, compared to a benefit from income taxes of \$1,317 on pre-tax income from continuing operations of \$2,774 for the same period in 2015. The Company's effective income tax rate was negative 15.7% and negative 47.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the effective tax rate differed from the U.S. Federal statutory rate of 35% primarily due to the inability of the Company to recognize tax benefits on certain losses until positive earnings are achieved in the U.S. and certain other foreign jurisdictions, a decrease in tax benefits that were previously recognized, non-deductible expenses, and variations from the U.S. tax rate in foreign jurisdictions. For the nine months ended September 30, 2015, the effective tax rate differed from the U.S. Federal statutory rate of 35% due to the utilization of U.S. tax losses not previously recognized as tax benefits to offset gain on sale of business, foreign tax exemptions applicable to gains on sale or exit of businesses, the inability of the Company to recognize tax benefits on losses until positive earnings are achieved in the U.S. and certain other foreign jurisdictions, non-deductible expenses, and variations from the U.S. tax rate in foreign jurisdictions.

#### **Uncertain Tax Positions**

As of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company had \$2,246 and \$2,279, respectively, of unrecognized tax benefits, including interest and penalties, which if recognized in the future, would lower the Company's annual effective income tax rate. Accrued interest and penalties were \$577 and \$536 as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. Estimated interest and penalties are classified as part of the provision for income taxes in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations and totaled to a provision of \$31 and \$53 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

In many cases, the Company's unrecognized tax benefits are related to tax years that remain subject to examination by the relevant tax authorities. Tax years with net operating losses ("NOLs") remain open until such losses expire or until the statutes of limitations for those years when the NOLs are used expire. As of September 30, 2016, the Company's open tax years, which remain subject to examination by the relevant tax authorities, were principally as follows:

	i ear
Earliest tax years which remain subject to examination by the relevant tax authorities:	
U.S. Federal	2013
Majority of U.S. state and local jurisdictions	2012
United Kingdom	2014
Australia	2012
Majority of other non-U.S. jurisdictions	2011

The Company believes that its tax reserves are adequate for all years that remain subject to examination or are currently under examination.

Based on information available as of September 30, 2016, it is reasonably possible that the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits could decrease in the range of \$200 to \$500 over the next 12 months as a result of projected resolutions of global tax examinations and controversies and potential expirations of the applicable statutes of limitations.

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#### NOTE 9 – EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

Basic earnings (loss) per share is computed by dividing the Company's net income (loss) by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period. When the effects are not anti-dilutive, diluted earnings (loss) per share is computed by dividing the Company's net income (loss) by the weighted average number of shares outstanding and the impact of all dilutive potential common shares, primarily stock options "in-the-money", unvested restricted stock and unvested restricted stock units. The dilutive impact of stock options, unvested restricted stock, and unvested restricted stock units is determined by applying the "treasury stock" method. Performance-based restricted stock awards are included in the computation of diluted earnings per share only to the extent that the underlying performance conditions: (i) are satisfied prior to the end of the reporting period; or (ii) would be satisfied if the end of the reporting period were the end of the related performance period and the result would be dilutive under the treasury stock method. Stock awards subject to vesting or exercisability based on the achievement of market conditions are included in the computation of diluted earnings per share only when the market conditions are met.

A reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of the basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share calculations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 were as follows:

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	Ended September		Ended	
	30,		September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Earnings (loss) per share ("EPS"):				
EPS - basic and diluted:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$(0.06)	\$(0.06)	\$(0.26)	\$0.12
Income (loss) from discontinued operations		_	0.01	0.03
Net income (loss)	\$(0.06)	\$(0.06)	\$(0.25)	\$0.15
EPS numerator - basic and diluted:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$(1,908)	\$(2,029)	\$(8,825)	\$4,091
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	35	(55)	327	864
Net income (loss)	\$(1,873)	\$(2,084)	\$(8,498)	\$4,955
EPS denominator (in thousands):				
Weighted average common stock outstanding - basic	33,572	34,687	34,121	33,784
Common stock equivalents: stock options and other stock-based awards (a)		_		11
Weighted average number of common stock outstanding - diluted	33,572	34,687	34,121	33,795

For the periods in which net losses are presented, the diluted weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding did not differ from the basic weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding because (a) the effects of any potential common stock equivalents (see Note 7 for further details on outstanding stock options, unvested restricted stock units and unvested restricted stock) were anti-dilutive and therefore not included in the calculation of the denominator of dilutive earnings per share.

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The weighted average number of shares outstanding used in the computation of diluted net income (loss) per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 did not include the effect of the following potentially outstanding shares of common stock because the effect would have been anti-dilutive:

-	Three Months		Nine Months		
	Ended		Ended		
	September 30,		September 30, September		er 30,
	2016	2015	2016	2015	
Unvested restricted stock	150,000	150,000	150,000	_	
Unvested restricted stock units	50,769	_	50,769	_	
Stock options	98,500	623,500	98,500	623,500	
Total	299,269	773,500	299,269	623,500	

#### NOTE 10 - RESTRICTED CASH

A summary of the Company's restricted cash included in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 was as follows:

	September 30,	December 31,
	2016	2015
Included under the caption "Prepaid and other":		
Client guarantees	\$ 136	\$ 118
Other	113	110
Total amount under the caption "Prepaid and other"	\$ 249	\$ 228
Included under the caption "Other assets":		
Collateral accounts	\$ 558	\$ 229
Rental deposits	406	480
Total amount under the caption "Other assets"	\$ 964	\$ 709
Total restricted cash	\$ 1,213	\$ 937

Collateral accounts primarily include deposits held under a collateral trust agreement, which supports the Company's workers' compensation policy and an outstanding letter of credit in the U.S. The rental deposits with banks include amounts held as guarantees from subtenants in the U.K. Client guarantees were held in banks in Belgium as deposits for various client projects. Other primarily includes bank guarantee for licensing in Switzerland.

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#### NOTE 11 – PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET

As of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, property and equipment, net, was as follows:

	September 30,	December 31,
	2016	2015
Computer equipment	\$ 6,181	\$ 5,911
Furniture and equipment	1,967	2,668
Capitalized software costs	17,827	17,946
Leasehold improvements	14,299	15,522
_	40,274	42,047
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	32,998	34,119
Property and equipment, net	\$ 7,276	\$ 7,928

The Company had expenditures of approximately \$589 and \$513 for acquired property and equipment, mainly consisting of software, furniture and fixtures and leasehold improvements, which had not been placed in service as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. Depreciation expense is not recorded for such assets until they are placed in service.

#### Non-Cash Capital Expenditures

The Company has acquired certain computer equipment under capital lease agreements. The current portion of the capital lease obligations are included under the caption "Accrued expenses and other current liabilities" in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 and the non-current portion of the capital lease obligations are included under the caption "Other non-current liabilities" in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015. A summary of the Company's equipment acquired under capital lease agreements were as follows:

	September 30,		December 31,	
	201	6	201	15
Capital lease obligation, current	\$	68	\$	62
Capital lease obligation, non-current	\$	172	\$	229

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#### NOTE 12 - GOODWILL

The following is a summary of the changes in the carrying value of the Company's goodwill, which was included under the caption "Other Assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015. The goodwill related to the earn-out payment made in 2010 for the Company's 2007 acquisition of the businesses of Tong Zhi (Beijing) Consulting Service Ltd and Guangzhou Dong Li Consulting Service Ltd. The goodwill is recorded in the Asia Pacific segment.

Carrying
Value
2016
Goodwill, January 1, \$1,938
Currency translation (52)
Goodwill, September 30, \$1,886

As a result of continued unfavorable financial performance in the Company's China reporting unit, the Company concluded that it is more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit is less than its carrying value. As such, the Company performed an interim test for impairment of goodwill as of September 30, 2016. The Company estimated the fair value of the reporting unit using the income approach which valued the reporting unit based on the future cash flows expected from the reporting unit. The Company's estimated fair value of its China reporting unit substantially exceeded its carrying value. As such, the Company concluded goodwill was not impaired as of the interim reporting date.

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#### NOTE 13 – BUSINESS REORGANIZATION EXPENSES

The Company initiated and executed certain strategic actions requiring business reorganization expenses ("2016 Exit Plan"). Business exit costs associated with the 2016 Exit Plan primarily consisted of employee termination benefits, lease termination payments and costs for elimination of contracts for certain discontinued services and locations.

The Board previously approved other reorganization plans in prior years (the "Previous Plans"). Business exit costs associated with Previous Plans primarily consisted of employee termination benefits, lease termination payments and costs for elimination of contracts for certain discontinued services and locations.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, restructuring charges associated with these initiatives primarily included employee separation costs in Europe and Asia Pacific and lease termination payments for rationalized offices in Europe under the 2016 Exit Plan and Previous Plans. Business reorganization expenses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 by plan were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2016 2015	2016 2015	
Previous Plans	\$183 \$2,264	\$467 \$5,582	
2016 Exit Plan		497 —	
Total reorganization expenses in continuing operations	\$183 \$2,264	\$964 \$5,582	

The following table contains amounts for Changes in Estimate, Additional Charges, and Payments related to the 2016 Exit Plan and Previous Plans that were incurred or recovered during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 in continuing operations. The amounts in the "Changes in Estimate" and "Additional Charges" columns are classified as business reorganization expenses in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations. Amounts in the "Payments" column represent primarily the cash payments associated with the 2016 Exit Plan and Previous Plans. Changes in the accrued business reorganization expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 were as follows:

	December 31,	Changes in	Additional	Dovimente	September 30, 2016
	2015	Estimate	Charges	rayments	2016
Lease termination payments	\$ 2,970	\$ 317	\$ 190	\$(1,158)	\$ 2,319
Employee termination benefits	1,186	(92)	304	(1,173)	225
Other associated costs	208	32	213	(402)	51
Total	\$ 4,364	\$ 257	\$ 707	\$(2,733)	\$ 2,595

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#### NOTE 14 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Consulting, Employment and Non-compete Agreements

The Company has entered into various consulting and employment agreements with certain key members of management. These agreements generally (i) are one year in length, (ii) contain restrictive covenants, (iii) under certain circumstances, provide for compensation and, subject to providing the Company with a release, severance payments, and (iv) are automatically renewed annually unless either party gives sufficient notice of termination. Litigation and Complaints

The Company is subject, from time to time, to various claims, lawsuits, contracts disputes and other complaints from, for example, clients, candidates, suppliers, landlords for both leased and subleased properties, former and current employees, and regulators or tax authorities arising in the ordinary course of business. The Company routinely monitors claims such as these, and records provisions for losses when the claim becomes probable and the amount due is estimable. Although the outcome of these claims cannot be determined, the Company believes that the final resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

For matters that have reached the threshold of probable and estimable, the Company has established reserves for legal, regulatory and other contingent liabilities. The Company's reserves were \$112 and \$109 as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

Costs Associated with Termination

As previously disclosed, in May 2015, the Company incurred compensation and benefits obligations to its former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Manuel Marquez, under his employment agreement, dated March 7, 2011, in connection with the Company providing Mr. Marquez notice of non-renewal of his employment agreement, which is treated as a termination without cause. The Company had accrued \$747 as of March 31, 2016 in connection with compensation and benefits Mr. Marquez was entitled to upon a termination without cause, subject to his execution of a release. Mr. Marquez did not agree with the Company's treatment of compensation and benefits under his employment agreement and, in August 2015, filed an arbitration claim against the Company for additional amounts of up to approximately \$2,000 and reimbursement of his legal fees.

On May 27, 2016, the arbitrator issued his decision on Mr. Marquez's claim and awarded Mr. Marquez approximately \$1,800 in additional compensation and benefits and approximately \$700 toward the reimbursement of a portion of his legal fees incurred pursuing his claim. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Company recorded an additional charge of \$0 and \$3,025, respectively for the resolution of this arbitration.

# **Asset Retirement Obligations**

The Company has certain asset retirement obligations that are primarily the result of legal obligations for the removal of leasehold improvements and restoration of premises to their original condition upon termination of leases. The asset retirement obligations are included under the caption "Other non-current liabilities" in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company's asset retirement obligations that are included in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 were as follows:

September 30, December 31,

2016 2015

Total asset retirement obligations \$ 1,901 \$ 1,962

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**NOTE 15 – CREDIT AGREEMENTS** 

Receivables Finance Agreement with Lloyds Bank Commercial Finance Limited and Lloyds Bank PLC

On August 1, 2014, the Company's U.K. subsidiary ("U.K. Borrower") entered into a receivables finance agreement for an asset-based lending funding facility (the "Lloyds Agreement") with Lloyds Bank PLC and Lloyds Bank Commercial Finance Limited (together, "Lloyds"). Until September 15, 2016, the Lloyds Agreement provided the U.K. Borrower with the ability to borrow up to \$19,464 (£15,000), at which time the U.K. Borrower entered into an amendment to the Lloyds Agreement that reduced the borrowing limit to \$15,571 (£12,000). Extensions of credit are based on a percentage of the eligible accounts receivable less required reserves from the Company's U.K. operations. The initial term was two years with renewal periods every three months thereafter. Borrowings under this facility are secured by substantially all of the assets of the U.K. Borrower.

The credit facility under the Lloyds Agreement contains two tranches. The first tranche is a revolving facility based on the billed temporary contracting and permanent recruitment activities in the U.K. operations ("Lloyds Tranche A"). The borrowing limit of Lloyds Tranche A is \$14,922 (£11,500) and is based on 83% of eligible billed temporary contracting and permanent recruitment receivables. The second tranche is a revolving facility that is based on the unbilled work-in-progress (as defined under the receivables finance agreement) activities in the Company's U.K. operations ("Lloyds Tranche B"). The borrowing limit of Lloyds Tranche B is \$649 (£500) and is based on 25% of eligible work-in-progress from permanent recruitment activities. For both tranches, borrowings may be made with an interest rate based on a base rate as determined by Lloyds Bank PLC, based on the Bank of England base rate, plus 1.75%.

The Lloyds Agreement contains various restrictions and covenants including (1) that true credit note dilution may not exceed 5%, measured at audit on a regular basis; (2) debt turn may not exceed 55 days over a three month rolling period; (3) dividends by the U.K. Borrower to the Company are restricted to the value of post-tax profits; and (4) at the end of each month, there must be a minimum excess availability of \$2,595 (£2,000).

The details of the Lloyds Agreement as of September 30, 2016 were as follows:

September 30, 2016

Borrowing capacity \$ 7,691

Less: outstanding borrowing (436)

Additional borrowing availability \$ 7,255

Interest rates on outstanding borrowing 2.00 %

The Company was in compliance with all financial covenants under the Lloyds Agreement as of September 30, 2016.

Facility Agreement with National Australia Bank Limited

On October 30, 2015, Hudson Global Resources (Aust) Pty Limited ("Hudson Australia") and Hudson Global Resources (NZ) Limited ("Hudson New Zealand"), both subsidiaries of Hudson Global, Inc., entered into a Finance Agreement, dated as of October 27, 2015 (the "Finance Agreement"), with National Australia Bank Limited ("NAB"), a NAB Corporate Receivables Facility Agreement, dated as of October 27, 2015 (the "Australian Receivables Agreement"), with NAB and a BNZ Corporate Receivables Facility Agreement, dated as of October 27, 2015 (the "New Zealand Receivables Agreement"), with Bank of New Zealand ("BNZ").

The Finance Agreement provides a bank guarantee facility of up to \$2,298 (AUD 3,000) for Hudson Australia and Hudson New Zealand. The Finance Agreement matures and becomes due and payable on October 27, 2018. A fee equal to 1.5% per annum will be charged on each bank guarantee issued under the Finance Agreement. The Finance Agreement bears a fee, payable semiannually in arrears, equal to 0.3% per annum of NAB's commitment under the Finance Agreement.

The Australian Receivables Agreement provides a receivables facility of up to \$19,150 (AUD 25,000) for Hudson Australia, which is based on an agreed percentage of eligible accounts receivable, and of which up to \$3,064 (AUD 4,000) may be used to support the working capital requirements of operations in China, Hong Kong and Singapore. The Australian Receivables Agreement does not have a stated maturity date and can be terminated by Hudson Australia or NAB upon 90 days

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written notice. Borrowings under the Australian Receivables Agreement may be made with an interest rate based on a market rate plus a margin of 1.5% per annum. The Australian Receivable Agreement bears a fee, payable monthly in advance, equal to \$5 (AUD 6) per month.

The New Zealand Receivables Agreement provides a receivables facility of up to \$3,643 (NZD 5,000) for Hudson New Zealand, which is based on an agreed percentage of eligible accounts receivable. The New Zealand Receivables Agreement does not have a stated maturity date and can be terminated by Hudson New Zealand or BNZ upon 90 days written notice. Borrowings under the New Zealand Receivables Agreement may be made with an interest rate based on a market rate. The New Zealand Receivables Agreement bears a fee, payable monthly in advance, equal to \$1 (NZD 1) per month.

The details of the Finance Agreement, Australian Receivables Agreement and New Zealand Receivables Agreement as of September 30, 2016 were as follows:

	September	30,
	2016	
Finance Agreement:		
Financial guarantee capacity	\$ 2,298	
Less: outstanding financial guarantees	(1,904	)
Additional availability for financial guarantees	\$ 394	
Interest rates on outstanding financial guarantees	1.80	%
Australian Receivables Agreement:		
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Borrowing capacity	\$ 16,274	
Less: outstanding borrowing	(7,659	)
Additional borrowing availability	\$ 8,615	
Interest rates on outstanding borrowing	3.17	%
New Zealand Receivables Agreement:		
Borrowing capacity	\$ 1,962	
Less: outstanding borrowing	_	
Additional borrowing availability	\$ 1,962	
Interest rates on outstanding borrowing	4.19	%

Amounts owing under the Finance Agreement, the Australian Receivables Agreement and the New Zealand Receivables Agreement are secured by substantially all of the assets of Hudson Australia and Hudson New Zealand. Each of the Finance Agreement, the Australian Receivables Agreement and the New Zealand Receivables Agreement contains various restrictions and covenants applicable to Hudson Australia and Hudson New Zealand, including: a requirement that Hudson Australia and Hudson New Zealand maintain (1) a minimum Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio (as defined in the NAB Facility Agreement) of 1.50x as of the last day of each calendar quarter; and (2) a minimum Receivables Ratio (as defined by the NAB Facility Agreement) of 1.20x.

The Company was in compliance with all financial covenants under the NAB Facility Agreement as of September 30, 2016.

Other Credit Agreements

The Company also has lending arrangements with local banks through its subsidiaries in Belgium and Singapore. The Belgium subsidiary has a \$1,124 (€1,000) overdraft facility. Borrowings under the Belgium arrangement may be made using an interest rate based on the one-month EURIBOR plus a margin, and the interest rate was 2.75% as of September 30, 2016. The lending arrangement in Belgium has no expiration date and can be terminated with a 15-day notice period. In Singapore, the Company's subsidiary can borrow up to \$147 (SGD 200) for working capital purposes. Interest on borrowings under the

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Singapore overdraft facility is based on the Singapore Prime Rate plus a margin of 1.75%, and it was 6.00% on September 30, 2016. The Singapore overdraft facility expires annually each August, but can be renewed for one year periods at that time. There were no outstanding borrowings under the Belgium and Singapore lending agreements as of September 30, 2016.

The average aggregate monthly outstanding borrowings under the Lloyds Agreement, NAB Facility Agreement and the credit agreements in Belgium and Singapore were \$9,465 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The weighted average interest rate on all outstanding borrowings for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was 3.45%.

The Company continues to use the aforementioned credit to support its ongoing global working capital requirements, capital expenditures and other corporate purposes and to support letters of credit. Letters of credit and bank guarantees are used primarily to support office leases.

#### NOTE 16 - ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, consisted of the following:

	September December		
	30,	31,	
	2016	2015	
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ 9,295	\$ 10,159	
Pension plan obligations	122	133	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 9,417	\$ 10,292	

As a result of the sale of the Netherlands business and substantially complete liquidation of certain foreign owned entities, the net foreign currency translation loss transferred from accumulated other comprehensive income and included in determining net income (loss) was \$169 and \$468 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 and \$0 and \$0 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, respectively. See Note 4 and 5 regarding the substantially complete liquidation of certain foreign owned entities and the sale of the Netherlands business.

# NOTE 17 – STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

The Company's Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.05 per share paid on June 24, 2016 to shareholders of record as of June 14, 2016. Prior to that, a cash dividend of \$0.05 per share was paid on March 25, 2016 to shareholders of record as of March 15, 2016. As a result, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Company paid \$0 and \$3,401, respectively, in dividends to shareholders. The cash dividend payments are applied to accumulated deficit.

On July 30, 2015, the Company announced that its Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$10,000 of the Company's common stock. The Company intends to make purchases from time to time as market conditions warrant. This authorization does not expire. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Company repurchased 270,199 and 1,218,822 shares on the open market for a total cost of \$584 and \$2,937, respectively. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Company purchased 1,100,000 shares from Sagard Capital Partners, L.P. in a private transaction pursuant to a securities purchase agreement for a total cost of \$1,980 or \$1.80 per share. As of September 30, 2016, under the July 30, 2015 authorization, the Company had

repurchased 2,846,456 shares for a total cost of \$6,302.

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# NOTE 18 – SEGMENT AND GEOGRAPHIC DATA

**Segment Reporting** 

The Company operates in three reportable segments: the Hudson regional businesses of Hudson Americas, Hudson Asia Pacific, and Hudson Europe. Corporate expenses are reported separately from the three reportable segments and pertain to certain functions, such as executive management, corporate governance, human resources, accounting, administration, tax and treasury, the majority of which are attributable to and have been allocated to the reportable segments. Segment information is presented in accordance with ASC 280, "Segments Reporting." This standard is based on a management approach that requires segmentation based upon the Company's internal organization and disclosure of revenue and certain expenses based upon internal accounting methods. The Company's financial reporting systems present various data for management to run the business, including internal profit and loss statements prepared on a basis not consistent with U.S. GAAP. Accounts receivable, net and long-lived assets are the only significant assets separated by segment for internal reporting purposes.

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	Hudson Americas	Hudson Asia Pacif	ïc	Hudson Europe		Corporat	te	Elimina	tior	ı Total	
For The Three Months Ended September 30, 20	16			•							
Revenue, from external customers	\$4,163	\$64,607		\$39,366		<b>\$</b> —		\$ —		\$108,130	6
Inter-segment revenue	42	_		73		_		(115	)	_	
Total revenue	\$4,205	\$64,607		\$39,439		<b>\$</b> —		\$ (115	)	\$108,130	6
Gross margin, from external customers	\$3,691	\$22,414		\$17,437		<b>\$</b> —		\$ —	ŕ	\$43,542	
Inter-segment gross margin	13	(59	)	46		_				_	
Total gross margin	\$3,704	\$22,355	_	\$17,483		<b>\$</b> —		\$ —		\$43,542	
Gain on sale and exit of businesses	\$—	\$—		<b>\$</b> —		\$—		\$ —		\$—	
Business reorganization expenses (recovery)	\$(3)	\$(1	)	\$188		\$(1	)	\$ —		\$183	
EBITDA (loss) (a)	\$326	\$275	_	\$(466	)		)	\$ —		\$(280	)
Depreciation and amortization	12	457		253	_	79	_			801	
Intercompany interest income (expense), net				(48	)	48					
Interest income (expense), net		(101	)	(6	_	(2	)			(109	)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before		•						Φ.			
income taxes	\$314	\$ (283	)	\$(773	)	\$ (448	)	\$ —		\$(1,190	)
For The Nine Months Ended September 30, 201	6										
Revenue, from external customers	\$11,660	\$177,717		\$133,053	3	<b>\$</b> —		\$ —		\$322,430	0
Inter-segment revenue	21	(1	)	220				(240	)		
Total revenue	\$11,681	\$177,716		\$133,273	3	<b>\$</b> —		\$ (240	)	\$322,430	0
Gross margin, from external customers	\$10,210	\$63,601		\$57,832		<b>\$</b> —		\$ —		\$131,64	3
Inter-segment gross margin	(11)	(182	)	193		_					
Total gross margin	\$10,199	\$63,419		\$58,025		<b>\$</b> —		\$ —		\$131,64	3
Gain on sale and exit of businesses	\$	\$		<b>\$</b> —		<b>\$</b> —		\$ —		\$—	
Business reorganization expenses (recovery)	\$(41)	\$273		\$781		\$ (49	)	\$ —		\$964	
EBITDA (loss) (a)	\$313	\$(370	)	\$761		\$(5,771	)	\$ —		\$(5,067	)
Depreciation and amortization	43	1,296		629		326				2,294	-
Intercompany interest income (expense), net	_	_		(163	)	163		_		_	
Interest income (expense), net	_	(230	)	(28	)	(6	)	_		(264	)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before	φ.070	φ (1.006		•			`	Ф		Ф. /7. /0.5	,
income taxes	\$270	\$(1,896	)	\$(59	)	\$(5,940	)	\$ —		\$(7,625	)
As of September 30, 2016											
Accounts receivable, net	\$2,937	\$34,806		\$27,187		<b>\$</b> —		\$ —		\$64,930	
Long-lived assets, net of accumulated	\$8	\$7,364		\$1,431		\$445		\$ —		\$9,248	
depreciation and amortization	ψο	φ 1,30 <del>4</del>		φ1,431		ψ <del>11</del> 3		<b>υ</b> —		ψ 2,240	
Total assets	\$5,383	\$53,778		\$42,978		\$2,802		\$ —		\$104,94	1
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For The Three Months Ended Soutember 20, 201		Hudson Asia Pacific	Hudson Europe	Corporate	Inter- segment elimination	Total n
For The Three Months Ended September 30, 201 Revenue, from external customers Inter-segment revenue Total revenue Gross margin, from external customers Inter-segment gross margin Total gross margin Gain on sale and exit of businesses Business reorganization expenses (recovery) EBITDA (loss) (a) Depreciation and amortization Intercompany interest income (expense), net Interest income (expense), net Income (loss) from continuing operations before	\$3,735 - \$3,735 \$3,176 (3 ) \$3,173	\$23,254 \$— \$336 \$1,680 333 — (68	\$1,278 \$(2,094) 171 (125) (20)	\$— \$— \$— \$— \$— \$61 \$(1,186) 68 125 (5)	_ _ _	\$45,145 \$45,145 \$(187) \$2,264 \$(2,629) 955 (93)
income taxes	\$(1,412)	\$1,279	\$(2,410)	\$(1,134)	<b>&gt;</b> —	\$(3,677)
For The Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 Revenue, from external customers Inter-segment revenue Total revenue Gross margin, from external customers Inter-segment gross margin Total gross margin Gain on sale and exit of businesses Business reorganization expenses (recovery) EBITDA (loss) (a) Depreciation and amortization Intercompany interest income (expense), net Interest income (expense), net Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	\$24,896 	\$67,712 \$— \$669 \$1,852 1,576	618 (394 ) (35	\$— \$— \$— \$— \$— \$1,314 ) \$(7,486) 255 ) 394 ) (9	_ _ _	\$357,088  \$357,088 \$143,271  \$143,271 \$19,818 \$5,667 \$6,356 3,040  (542 ) \$2,774
As of September 30, 2015 Accounts receivable, net Long-lived assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization Total assets	\$3,876 \$64 \$8,128	\$ 28,317 \$ 7,010 \$ 46,576	\$33,528 \$1,969 \$55,587	\$— \$749 \$18,127	\$ — \$ — \$ —	\$65,721 \$9,792 \$128,418

<sup>(</sup>a) Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Regulation S-K Item 229.10(e)1(ii)(A) defines EBITDA as earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA is presented to provide additional information to investors about the Company's operations on a basis consistent with the measures that the Company uses to manage its operations and evaluate its performance. Management also uses this measurement to evaluate working capital

requirements. EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for operating income and net income prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP or as a measure of the Company's profitability.

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#### Geographic Data Reporting

A summary of revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 and long-lived assets and net assets by geographic area as of September 30, 2016 and 2015 were as follows:

	United Kingdom	Australia	United States	Continenta Europe	l Other Asia Pacific	Other Americas	Total
For The Three Months Ended September 3	0, 2016			-			
Revenue (a)	\$27,010	\$49,799	\$3,921	\$ 12,356	\$ 14,808	\$ 242	\$108,136
For The Three Months Ended September 3	0, 2015						
Revenue (a)	\$40,102	\$40,075	\$3,575	\$ 10,582	\$ 15,534	\$ 160	\$110,028
For The Nine Months Ended September 30	), 2016						
Revenue (a)	\$93,671	\$136,813	\$11,016	\$ 39,382	\$ 40,904	\$ 644	\$322,430
For The Nine Months Ended September 30	), 2015						
Revenue (a)	\$118,083	\$120,457	\$24,424	\$ 47,986	\$ 45,666	\$ 472	\$357,088
As of September 30, 2016							
Long-lived assets, net of accumulated	\$1,235	\$4,457	\$445	\$ 196	\$ 2,907	\$ 8	\$9,248
depreciation and amortization (b)	Ψ1,233	ΨΤ,ΤΟΙ	ψττυ	Ψ 1 70	Ψ 2,707	ψΟ	Ψ 2,240
Net assets	\$11,962	\$8,601	\$2,954	\$ 8,777	\$ 12,464	\$ (56)	\$44,702
As of September 30, 2015							
Long-lived assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization (b)	\$1,866	\$4,123	\$821	\$ 95	\$ 2,887	\$ —	\$9,792
Net assets	\$15,421	\$9,012	\$17,003	\$ 9,067	\$ 13,554	\$8	\$64,065

<sup>(</sup>a) Revenue by geographic region disclosed above is net of any inter-segment revenue and, therefore, represents only revenue from external customers according to the location of the operating subsidiary.

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<sup>(</sup>b) Comprised of property and equipment and goodwill. Corporate assets are included in the United States.

# ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

This Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A") should be read in conjunction with the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and the notes thereto, included in Item 1 of this Form 10-Q. The financial statements included in the Company's press release issued on October 27, 2016 (and included as Exhibit 99.1 to the current report on Form 8-K filed the same day) inadvertently included an impairment of long-lived assets charge of \$0.6 million related to the Company's China asset group. The financial statements contained in Item 1 of this Form 10-Q have been updated to reflect the exclusion of this impairment charge. The reader should also refer to the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes of Hudson Global, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the "Company") filed in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. This MD&A contains forward-looking statements. Please see "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS" for a discussion of the uncertainties, risks and assumptions associated with these statements. This MD&A also uses the non-generally accepted accounting principle measure of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA"). See Note 18 of this Form 10-Q to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for EBITDA segment reconciliation information.

This MD&A includes the following sections:

**E**xecutive Overview

Results of Operations

Liquidity and Capital Resources

**C**ontingencies

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Critical Accounting Policies

Forward-Looking Statements

#### **Executive Overview**

The Company has expertise in recruiting mid-level professional talent across all management disciplines in a wide range of industries. The Company matches clients and candidates to address client needs on a part time, full time and interim basis. Part of that expertise is derived from research on hiring trends and the Company's clients' current successes and challenges with their staff. This research has helped enhance the Company's understanding about the number of new hires that do not meet its clients' long-term goals, the reasons why, and the resulting costs to the Company's clients. With operations in 12 countries and relationships with specialized professionals around the globe, the Company brings a strong ability to match talent with opportunities by assessing, recruiting, developing and engaging the best and brightest people for the Company's clients. The Company combines broad geographic presence, world-class talent solutions and a tailored, consultative approach to help businesses and professionals achieve maximum performance. The Company's focus is to continually upgrade its service offerings, delivery capability and assessment tools to make candidates more successful in achieving its clients' business requirements.

The Company's proprietary frameworks, assessment tools and leadership development programs, coupled with its broad geographic footprint, have allowed the Company to design and implement regional and global recruitment solutions that the Company believes greatly enhance the quality of its clients' hiring.

To accelerate the implementation of the Company's strategy, the Company engaged in the following initiatives:

Investing in the core businesses and practices that present the greatest potential for profitable growth.

Facilitating growth and development of the global RPO business.

Building and differentiating the Company's brand through its unique talent solutions offerings.

Improving further the Company's cost structure and efficiency of its support functions and infrastructure.

#### **Current Market Conditions**

Economic conditions in most of the world's major markets remain mixed. In the U.K., the June 23, 2016 referendum by British voters to exit the European Union (commonly referred to as "Brexit") adversely impacted global markets, including currencies, and resulted in a decline in the value of the British pound as compared to the U.S. dollar. A weaker British pound compared to the U.S. dollar during a reporting period causes local currency results of the Company's U.K. operations to be translated into fewer U.S. dollars. The Company's U.K. operations, future financial performance and translation of results may be affected, in part, by the outcome of tariff, trade, regulatory, and other negotiations as the U.K. negotiates its exit from the European Union.

Conditions in Continental Europe have shown improvement with GDP growth in most of the major markets, as well as forecasted GDP growth for the remainder of 2016. Australia faces a slow growth outlook for the remainder of 2016, while the outlook for Asia is uncertain given China's slowing growth outlook.

The Company closely monitors the economic environment and business climate in its markets and responds accordingly. At this time, the Company is unable to accurately predict the outcome of these events or changes in general economic conditions and their effect on the demand for the Company's services.

#### Financial Performance

The Company achieved mixed financial performance for the third quarter of 2016 in most of the major markets in which it operates. On a constant currency basis, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, revenue increased by \$1.7 million, or 1.6%, and gross margin declined by \$0.6 million, or 1.4%, respectively, compared to the same period in 2015.

The changes in revenue and gross margin were driven by strong results in Australia, the Americas and Continental Europe and declines in revenue and gross margin in the U.K. and China.

The following is a summary of the highlights for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015. This summary should be considered in the context of the additional disclosures in this MD&A which further highlight the results by segment. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, a primary driver of the difference from the same period in 2015 was the prior year divestitures of the Netherlands, US I.T., Luxembourg and Central and Eastern Europe businesses.

Revenue was \$108.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$110.0 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$1.9 million, or 1.7%.

On a constant currency basis, the Company's revenue increased \$1.7 million, or 1.6%, mainly due to an increase of \$2.6 million in contracting revenue (up 3.8% compared to the same period in 2015) and partially offset by a decrease of \$1.2 million in permanent recruitment revenue (down 3.9% compared to the same period in 2015).

Revenue was \$322.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$357.1 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$34.7 million, or 9.7%.

On a constant currency basis, the Company's revenue decreased \$20.3 million, or 5.9%, mainly due to decreases of \$18.3 million in contracting revenue (down 8.1% compared to the same period in 2015) and \$2.9 million in permanent recruitment revenue (down 3.3% compared to the same period in 2015) partially offset by an increase of \$0.9 million in talent management revenue (up 3.2% compared to the same period in 2015).

Gross margin was \$43.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$45.1 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$1.6 million, or 3.6%.

On a constant currency basis, gross margin decreased \$0.6 million, or 1.4%, mainly due to a decrease of \$0.9 million in permanent recruitment gross margin (down 3.3% compared to the same period in 2015) partially offset by an increase of \$0.1 million in talent management gross margin (up 2.2% compared to the same period in 2015). Temporary recruitment gross margin remained flat, as compared to the same period in 2015.

Gross margin was \$131.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$143.3 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$11.6 million, or 8.1%.

On a constant currency basis, gross margin decreased \$7.2 million, or 5.2%, mainly due to decreases of \$5.5 million in temporary recruitment gross margin (down 17.1% compared to the same period in 2015)

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and \$2.7 million in permanent recruitment gross margin (down 3.2% compared to the same period in 2015) partially offset by an increase of \$1.2 million in talent management gross margin (up 5.5% compared to the same period in 2015).

Selling, general and administrative expenses and other non-operating income (expense) ("SG&A and Non-Op") were \$43.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$45.3 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$1.7 million, or 3.7%.

On a constant currency basis, SG&A and Non-Op decreased \$0.5 million, or 1.1%. SG&A and Non-Op, as a percentage of revenue, were 40.4% for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to 41.5% for the same period in 2015.

SG&A and Non-Op were \$135.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$151.1 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$15.3 million, or 10.1%.

On a constant currency basis, SG&A and Non-Op decreased \$10.4 million, or 7.1%. SG&A and Non-Op, as a percentage of revenue, were 42.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to 42.6% for the same period in 2015.

Business reorganization expenses were \$0.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$2.3 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of approximately \$2.1 million. On a constant currency basis, business reorganization expenses decreased \$2.1 million.

Business reorganization expenses were \$1.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$5.7 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of approximately \$4.7 million. On a constant currency basis, business reorganization expenses decreased \$4.6 million.

EBITDA loss was \$0.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to EBITDA loss of \$2.6 million for the same period in 2015, an increase in EBITDA of \$2.3 million. On a constant currency basis, EBITDA increased \$2.1 million.

EBITDA loss was \$5.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to EBITDA of \$6.4 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease in EBITDA of \$11.4 million. On a constant currency basis, EBITDA decreased \$12.0 million.

Net loss was \$1.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to net loss of \$2.1 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease in net loss of \$0.2 million. On a constant currency basis, net loss was unchanged. Net loss was \$8.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to net income of \$5.0 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease in net income of \$13.5 million. On a constant currency basis, net income decreased \$14.1 million.

#### **Constant Currency**

The Company operates on a global basis, with the majority of its gross margin generated outside of the U.S. Accordingly, fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates can affect the Company's results of operations. For the discussion of reportable segment results of operations, the Company uses constant currency information. Constant currency compares financial results between periods as if exchange rates had remained constant period-over-period. The Company defines the term "constant currency" to mean that financial data for a previously reported period are translated into U.S. dollars using the same foreign currency exchange rates that were used to translate financial data for the current period. The Company's management reviews and analyzes business results in constant currency and believes these results better represent the Company's underlying business trends. Changes in foreign currency exchange rates generally impact only reported earnings.

Changes in revenue, gross margin, SG&A and Non-Op, business reorganization expenses, operating income (loss), net income (loss) and EBITDA (loss) from continuing operations include the effect of changes in foreign currency exchange rates. The tables below summarize the impact of foreign currency exchange adjustments on the Company's operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015.

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		Three Months Ended September 30, 016 2015							Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016 2015					
	As	As		Currency	.7	Constant		As	As	Currency	.7	Constant		
\$ in thousands	reported	reported	ı	-		currency		reported	reported			currency		
Revenue:	reported	теропес	ı	translatio	<i>)</i> 11	currency		reported	reported	translatio	<i>J</i> 11	currency		
Hudson Americas	\$4,163	\$3,735		\$ 1		\$3,736		\$11,660	\$24,896	\$(22	`	\$24,874		
Hudson Asia Pacific	64,607	55,609		2,451		58,060		177,717	166,123	(3,688	-	162,435		
	39,366	50,684		(6,014	`	44,670		133,053	166,069	(10,643		155,426		
Hudson Europe Total		•	0	\$ (3,562	-	-		•			-	\$342,735	Ξ	
	\$108,136	\$110,02	20	\$ (3,302	)	\$ 100,400	,	\$322,430	\$357,088	\$(14,333	,	\$342,732	,	
Gross margin:	¢2.601	¢2 176		¢ 1		¢2 177		¢ 10 210	¢ 12 976	¢ (20	`	¢ 12 056		
Hudson Americas	\$3,691	\$3,176		\$ 1 521		\$3,177		\$10,210	\$12,876	\$(20	-	\$12,856		
Hudson Asia Pacific	22,414	23,376		521	`	23,897		63,601	68,073	(1,718		66,355		
Hudson Europe	17,437	18,593		(1,505	-	17,088		57,832	62,322	(2,697		59,625		
Total	\$43,542	\$45,145	)	\$ (983	)	\$44,162		\$131,643	\$143,271	\$(4,435	)	\$138,836	)	
SG&A and Non-Op (a):	<b># 2 202</b>	<b>#2.502</b>		Φ.(2		<b># 2 5</b> 00		Φ0.000	<b>41400</b>	<b></b>	,	<b>414044</b>		
Hudson Americas	\$3,382	\$3,593		\$ (3	)	\$3,590		\$9,928	\$14,985	\$(41		\$14,944		
Hudson Asia Pacific	22,072	21,242		358		21,600		63,521	65,191	(1,994	-	63,197		
Hudson Europe	17,756	19,369		(1,555	)	17,814		56,475	64,713	(2,909	)	61,804		
Corporate	429	1,119		13		1,132		5,822	6,177	6		6,183		
Total	\$43,639	\$45,323	3	\$(1,187	)	\$44,136		\$135,746	\$151,066	\$(4,938	)	\$146,128	3	
Business reorganization of	_													
Hudson Americas		) \$589		\$ <i>—</i>		\$589		\$(41)	\$1,006	<b>\$</b> —		\$1,006		
Hudson Asia Pacific	•	336		49		385		273	669	29		698		
Hudson Europe	188	1,278		(89	)	1,189		781	2,678	(120	)	2,558		
Corporate	(1	) 61		88		149		(49)	1,314	(1	)	1,313		
Total	\$183	\$2,264		\$48		\$2,312		\$964	\$5,667	\$(92	)	\$5,575		
Gain (loss) on sale and ex	xit of busin	esses:												
Hudson Americas	<b>\$</b> —	\$(20	)	<b>\$</b> —		\$(20	)	<b>\$</b> —	\$15,918	<b>\$</b> —		\$15,918		
Hudson Asia Pacific	_			_		_		_	_	_		_		
Hudson Europe	_	(167	)	1		(166	)	_	3,900	(7	)	3,893		
Corporate														
Total	<b>\$</b> —	\$(187	)	\$1		\$(186	)	\$—	\$19,818	\$(7	)	\$19,811		
Operating income (loss):		·				•					-			
Hudson Americas	\$409	\$(1,314	)	\$1		\$(1,313	)	\$538	\$12,387	\$7		\$12,394		
Hudson Asia Pacific	714	1,654	Í	69		1,723	ĺ	507	2,258	232		2,490		
Hudson Europe		(1,467	)	106			)	1,289	1,017	288		1,305		
Corporate		) (2,699		(2	)	•				(2	)	(12,563	)	
Total		\$(3,826)		\$174	,				\$3,101	\$525	,	\$3,626	,	
Net income (loss),							_							
consolidated	\$(1,873	) \$(2,084	)	\$ 189		\$(1,895	)	\$(8,498)	\$4,955	\$646		\$5,601		
EBITDA (loss) from con	tinuing one	erations (b	).											
Hudson Americas	\$326	\$(1,029	-	\$ (5	)	\$(1,034	)	\$313	\$12,788	\$24		\$12,812		
Hudson Asia Pacific	275	1,680	,	106	,	1,786	,		1,852	237		2,089		
Hudson Europe		) (2,094	)	144		-	)	761	•	325		(473	)	
Corporate	`	) (1,186	) )	_			_		(7,486)			(7,486	)	
Total		) \$(2,629	) )	\$ 245		•			\$6,356	\$586		\$6,942	,	
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SG&A and Non-Op is a measure that management uses to evaluate the segments' expenses, which include the following captions on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations: Selling, general and administrative expenses; and other income (expense), net. Corporate management service allocations are included in the segments' other income (expense).

(b) See EBITDA reconciliation in the following section.

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#### Use of EBITDA (Non-GAAP measure)

Management believes EBITDA is a meaningful indicator of the Company's performance that provides useful information to investors regarding the Company's financial condition and results of operations. Management also considers EBITDA to be the best indicator of operating performance and most comparable measure across the regions in which the Company operates. Management also uses this measure to evaluate capital needs and working capital requirements. EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for operating income, or net income prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America ("GAAP") or as a measure of the Company's profitability. EBITDA is derived from net income (loss) adjusted for the provision for (benefit from) income taxes, interest expense (income), and depreciation and amortization.

The reconciliation of EBITDA to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure is provided in the table below:

	Three Months		Nine Mo	nths
	Ended		Ended	
	Septembe	er 30,	Septembe	er 30,
\$ in thousands	2016	2015	2016	2015
Net income (loss)	\$(1,873)	\$(2,084)	\$(8,498)	\$4,955
Adjustment for income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	35	(55)	327	864
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$(1,908)	\$(2,029)	\$(8,825)	\$4,091
Adjustments to net income (loss) from continuing operations				
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	718	(1,648)	1,200	(1,317)
Interest expense, net	109	93	264	542
Depreciation and amortization expense	801	955	2,294	3,040
Total adjustments from net income (loss) to EBITDA (loss)	1,628	(600)	3,758	2,265
EBITDA (loss) from continuing operations	\$(280)	\$(2,629)	\$(5,067)	\$6,356

#### **Temporary Contracting Data**

The following table sets forth the Company's temporary contracting revenue, gross margin, and gross margin as a percentage of revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015.

	Three M	lon	ths Ende	Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,								
	2016		2015						2016		2015					
\$ in thousands	As		As		Currency	y	Constan	ıt	As report	ed	As reporte	Ы	Currency	(	Constant	
ψ III tilousanus	reported		reported	l	translatio	on	currenc	y	As report	cu	As reporte	u	translation	ı c	currency	
TEMPORARY CON	TRACTI	N(	G DATA	(a)	:											
Revenue:																
<b>Hudson Americas</b>	\$346		\$423		\$ 1		\$424		\$1,093		\$15,116		\$1	\$	515,117	
Hudson Asia Pacific	46,657		35,468		2,137		37,605		125,995		108,011		(2,174	) 1	105,837	
Hudson Europe	23,437		34,919		(5,120	)	29,799		81,242		114,651		(9,004	) 1	105,647	
Total	\$70,440		\$70,810	)	\$ (2,982	)	\$67,828	3	\$208,330	)	\$237,778		\$(11,177)	\$	3226,601	
Gross margin:																
<b>Hudson Americas</b>	\$43		\$18		\$ 1		\$19		\$165		\$3,466		\$—	\$	3,466	
Hudson Asia Pacific	5,601		4,413		270		4,683		15,150		13,762		(278	) 1	13,484	
Hudson Europe	3,177		4,817		(700	)	4,117		11,218		16,271		(1,200	) 1	15,071	
Total	\$8,821		\$9,248		\$ (429	)	\$8,819		\$26,533		\$33,499		\$(1,478)	\$	32,021	
Gross margin as a per	rcentage (	of:	revenue:													
<b>Hudson Americas</b>	12.4	%	4.3	%	N/A		4.5	%	15.1	%	22.9	%	N/A	2	22.9	%
Hudson Asia Pacific	12.0	%	12.4	%	N/A		12.5	%	12.0	%	12.7	%	N/A	1	12.7	%
Hudson Europe	13.6	%	13.8	%	N/A		13.8	%	13.8	%	14.2	%	N/A	1	14.3	%
Total	12.5	%	13.1	%	N/A		13.0	%	12.7	%	14.1	%	N/A	1	14.1	%

Temporary contracting gross margin and gross margin as a percentage of revenue are shown to provide additional information regarding the Company's ability to manage its cost structure and to provide further comparability relative to the Company's peers. Temporary contracting gross margin is derived by deducting the direct costs of temporary contracting from temporary contracting revenue. The Company's calculation of gross margin may differ from that of other companies. See Note 6 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for direct costs and gross margin information.

Results of Operations Hudson Americas (reported currency) Revenue

Three Months Ended September Nine Months Ended September 30. 2016 2015 2016 2015 Change Change Change Change As As \$ in millions in %in % reportereported amount reported amount **Hudson Americas** Revenue 11.5 % \$11.7 \$ 24.9 \$4.2 \$ 3.7 \$ 0.4 \$(13.2) (53.2)%

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, permanent recruitment revenue increased \$0.5 million, or 16.5%, as a result of growth in RPO, as compared to the same period in 2015.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, temporary contracting revenue decreased \$14.0 million, or 92.8%, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decrease in temporary contracting revenue was directly attributable to the divestiture of the Company's US IT business in June 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, permanent recruitment revenue increased \$0.8 million, or 8.2%, as a result of growth in RPO, as compared to the same period in 2015.

Gross Margin

	Three Months Ended September 30,					Nine	nber 30,				
	2016	2015		Change	Change	2016		2015		Change	Change
\$ in millions	As reported	As dreport	ed	in amount	in 0/-	AS	ted	As report	ed	in amount	in %
Hudson Americas	•	•				•		•			
Gross margin	\$3.7	\$ 3.2		\$ 0.5	16.2 %	\$10.2	2	\$12.9		\$(2.7)	(20.7)%
Gross margin as a percentage of revenue	88.7 %	85.0	%	N/A	N/A	87.6	%	51.7	%	N/A	N/A
Temporary contracting gross margin as a percentage of temporary contracting revenue	12.4 %	4.3	%	N/A	N/A	15.1	%	22.9	%	N/A	N/A

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, permanent recruitment gross margin increased \$0.5 million, or 16.1%, as a result of growth in RPO, as compared to the same period in 2015.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, temporary contracting gross margin decreased \$3.3 million, or 95.2%, as compared to the same period in 2015. Temporary contracting gross margin decreased due to the divestiture of the Company's US IT business in June 2015. Permanent recruitment gross margin increased \$0.6 million, or 6.7%, as a result of growth in RPO, as compared to the same period in 2015.

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, total gross margin as a percentage of revenue was 88.7%, as compared to 85.0% for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, total gross margin as a percentage of revenue was 87.6%, as compared to 51.7% for the same period in 2015. The increase in total gross margin as a percentage of revenue was principally due to the divestiture of the Company's US IT business in June 2015.

#### SG&A and Non-Op

	Three N 30,	Months En	ided Sept	ember	Nine Months Ended September 3				
\$ in millions	2016	2015 As dreported	Change in amount			2015 As dreported	Change in amount	Change in %	
Hudson Americas	•	1			•	•			
SG&A and Non-Op	\$3.4	\$ 3.6	\$ (0.2)	(5.9)%	\$9.9	\$15.0	\$ (5.1)	(33.7)%	
SG&A and Non-Op as a percentage of revenue	81.2 %	96.2 %	N/A	N/A	85.1 %	60.2 %	N/A	N/A	

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op decreased \$0.2 million, or 5.9%, as compared to the same period in 2015 due to lower occupancy and support costs.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op decreased \$5.1 million, or 33.7%, as compared to the same period in 2015 due to lower sales and administrative costs as a result of the prior year divestiture of the U.S. IT business and lower support costs. The decline was also driven by the change in control stock-based compensation expense of \$0.4 million recorded in June 2015.

#### **Business Reorganization Expenses**

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, business reorganization expenses were approximately \$0.0 million, as compared to \$0.6 million for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, business reorganization expenses were \$0.0 million as compared to \$1.0 million for the same period in 2015. Operating Income and EBITDA

	Three I	Months En	ided Sept	ember 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
	2016	2015	Change	Change in	2016	2015	Change	Change in			
\$ in millions	As	As	in	0%	As	As	in	0%			
\$ III IIIIIIOIIS	reporte	dreported	amount	70	reporte	dreported	amount	70			
Hudson Americas											
Operating income (loss)	\$0.4	\$(1.3)	\$ 1.7	(a)	\$0.5	\$12.4	\$(11.8)	(a)			
EBITDA (loss)	\$0.3	\$(1.0)	\$ 1.4	(a)	\$0.3	\$12.8	\$(12.5)	(a)			
EBITDA (loss) as a percentage of	7.8 %	(27.6)%	NI/A	N/A	27 %	51.4 %	N/A	N/A			
revenue	7.0 70	(27.0)%	1 1/ 1/1	11/11	2.1 70	J1. <del>+</del> 70	11/14	1 1/ /1			

<sup>(</sup>a) Information was not provided because the Company did not consider the change in percentage a meaningful measure for the periods in comparison.

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, EBITDA was \$0.3 million, or 7.8% of revenue, as compared to EBITDA loss of \$1.0 million, or 27.6% of revenue, for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, EBITDA was \$0.3 million, or 2.7% of revenue, as compared to EBITDA of \$12.8 million, or 51.4% of revenue, for the same period in 2015. The decline in EBITDA for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, was principally due to the prior year gain on sale of the U.S. IT business of \$15.9 million.

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Hudson Asia Pacific (constant currency)

Revenue

Three Months Ended September Nine Months Ended September 30, 30. 2016 2015 2016 2015 Change Change Change Change As Constant in Constant in \$ in millions in % in %reportedurrency amount reported currency amount **Hudson** Asia **Pacific** Revenue \$64.6 \$ 58.1 \$ 6.5 11.3 % \$177.7 \$ 162.4 \$ 15.3 9.4 %

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, temporary contracting revenue increased \$9.1 million, or 24.1%, as compared to the same period in 2015. For the three months ended September 30, 2016, permanent recruitment revenue decreased \$2.2 million, or 13.0%, as compared to the same period in 2015.

In Australia, revenue increased \$7.7 million, or 18.3%, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increase was primarily in temporary contracting revenue, which increased \$8.0 million, or 25.6%, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increases in temporary contracting revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2016 were in the Company's information technology, technical & engineering, office support and public sector practices partially offset by declines in RPO and financial services. The decline in RPO was due mainly to the end of a large, lower-margin RPO contracting project in 2015.

In Asia, revenue decreased \$2.2 million, or 24.8%, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decrease in Asia was primarily in China.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, temporary contracting revenue increased \$20.2 million, or 19.0%, as compared to the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, permanent recruitment revenue decreased \$4.1 million, or 8.8%, as compared to the same period in 2015.

In Australia, revenue increased \$18.8 million, or 16.0%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increase was primarily in temporary contracting revenue, which increased \$17.9 million, or 20.0%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increases in temporary contracting revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 were a result of the same factors noted above.

In Asia, revenue decreased \$6.0 million, or 23.5%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decrease in Asia was primarily in China.

**Gross Margin** 

Gloss Marghi											
	Three Mo	onths End	led Septe	mber	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
	2016	2015	Change	Changa	2016	2015	Change	Change			
\$ in millions	As	Constant	in	in %	AS	Constant	in	Change			
\$ III IIIIIIOIIS	reported	currency	amount	111 70	reported	currency	amount	111 70			
Hudson Asia Pacific											
Gross margin	\$22.4	\$23.9	\$ (1.5)	(6.2)%	\$63.6	\$66.4	\$ (2.8)	(4.2)%			
Gross margin as a percentage of revenue	34.7 %	41.2 %	N/A	N/A	35.8 %	40.9 %	N/A	N/A			
	12.0 %	12.5 %	N/A	N/A	12.0 %	12.7 %	N/A	N/A			

Temporary contracting gross margin as a percentage of temporary contracting revenue

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, permanent recruitment and talent management gross margin decreased \$2.1 million and \$0.3 million, or 12.5% and 13.5%, respectively, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decline was

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partially offset by an increase in temporary contracting gross margin of \$0.9 million, or 19.6%, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015.

In Australia, gross margin increased \$0.5 million, or 3.7%, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increase was primarily in permanent recruitment and temporary contracting gross margins increasing \$0.1 million and \$0.8 million, or 1.8% and 20.5%, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increase was partially offset by a decline in talent management gross margin of \$0.4 million, or 17.1%, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015, as a number of projects ended.

In Asia, gross margin declined \$2.3 million, or 26.7%, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decrease in Asia was primarily in China.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, permanent recruitment gross margin decreased \$3.8 million, or 8.5%, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decline was partially offset by an increase in temporary contracting gross margin of \$1.7 million, or 12.4%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015.

In Australia, gross margin increased \$2.8 million, or 7.6%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increase was primarily in permanent recruitment and temporary contracting increasing \$2.2 million and \$1.5 million, or 11.4% and 13.9%, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increase was partially offset by a decline in talent management gross margin of \$0.7 million, or 11.2%, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015.

In Asia, gross margin declined \$6.2 million, or 25.2%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decrease in Asia was primarily in China.

Total gross margin as a percentage of revenue was 34.7% for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to 41.2% for the same period in 2015. Total gross margin as a percentage of revenue was 35.8% for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to 40.9% for the same period in 2015. The decrease in total gross margin as a percentage of revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 resulted from a decline in the permanent recruitment gross margin as a percentage of total gross margin as compared to the same periods in 2015.

SG&A and Non-Op

	Three M	onths End	led Septe	mber	Nine Months Ended Septembe				
	30,				TVIIIC IVIC	muis Liiuc	u septen	11001 50,	
	2016	2015	Change	Changa	2016	2015	Change	Changa	
\$ in millions	As	Constant	in	in 07	As	2015 Constant			
5 III IIIIIIOIIS	reported	Constant	amount	111 %	reported	currency	amount	in %	
Hudson Asia Pacific									
SG&A and Non-Op	\$22.1	\$21.6	\$ 0.5	2.2 %	\$63.5	\$63.2	\$ 0.3	0.5 %	
SG&A and Non-Op as a percentage of	34.2 %	37 2 %	N/A	N/A	35.7 %	38.9 %	N/A	N/A	
revenue	5-1.2 /0	31.2 70	1 1/ / 1	1 1/ / 1	33.1 /0	30.7 /0	1 1/ / 1	1 1/ / 1	

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op increased \$0.5 million, or 2.2%, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increase was primarily due to higher unrealized currency losses included in Non-Op expenses partially offset by lower support costs and corporate administrative charges. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op increased \$0.3 million, or 0.5%, as compared to the same period in 2015.

The increase was primarily driven by higher staff costs and unrealized currency losses, partially offset by lower corporate administrative charges and stock-based compensation expense. The decline in stock-based compensation expense was primarily driven by the prior year change in control stock-based compensation expense of \$0.6 million recorded in June 2015.

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op, as a percentage of revenue, was 34.2%, as compared to 37.2% for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op, as a percentage of revenue, was 35.7%, as compared to 38.9% for the same period in 2015. The decrease in SG&A and Non-Op, as a percentage of revenue, was principally due to the factors noted above.

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#### **Business Reorganization Expenses**

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, business reorganization expenses were approximately \$0.0 million, as compared to \$0.4 million for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, business reorganization expenses were approximately \$0.3 million as compared to \$0.7 million for the same period in 2015. Business reorganization expenses in the current year were primarily due to severance costs.

#### Operating Income and EBITDA

-	Three 1	Months E	nded Sep	tember 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
	2016	2015	Change	Change in	2016	2015	Change	Change in			
\$ in millions	As	Constant	in	%	As	Constant	in	%			
\$ III IIIIIIOIIS	reporte	dcurrency	amount	70	reported	currency	amount	70			
Hudson Asia Pacific											
Operating income (loss)	\$0.7	\$ 1.7	\$(1.0)	(a)	\$0.5	\$ 2.5	\$(2.0)	(a)			
EBITDA (loss)	\$0.3	\$ 1.8	\$(1.5)	(a)	\$(0.4)	\$ 2.1	\$ (2.5)	(a)			
EBITDA (loss) as a percentage of	0.4 %	3.1 %	N/A	N/A	(0.2)%	1.3 %	N/A	N/A			
revenue	0.7	3.1 /0	11//1	IV/A	(0.2 ) //	1.5 /0	11//1	IVA			

<sup>(</sup>a) Information was not provided because the Company did not consider the change in percentage a meaningful measure for the periods in comparison.

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, EBITDA was \$0.3 million, or 0.4% of revenue, as compared to EBITDA of \$1.8 million, or 3.1% of revenue, for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, EBITDA loss was \$0.4 million, or 0.2% of revenue, as compared to EBITDA of \$2.1 million, or 1.3% of revenue, for the same period in 2015. The decrease in EBITDA for the three months ended September 30, 2016 was principally due to the decline in gross margin and increase in SG&A and Non-Op expense, partially offset by a decline in business reorganization expenses. The decline in EBITDA for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, was principally due to the decline in gross margin.

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, operating income was \$0.7 million, as compared to operating income of \$1.7 million for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, operating income was \$0.5 million, as compared to operating income of \$2.5 million for the same period in 2015. The difference between operating income (loss) and EBITDA (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 was principally due to corporate management fees, foreign currency gains and losses and depreciation.

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Hudson Europe (constant currency)

Revenue

Three Months Ended September Nine Months Ended September 30, 30, 2016 2015 2016 2015 Change Change Change Change Constant in As Constant in \$ in millions in % in % reportedurrency amount reported currency amount Hudson Europe Revenue \$ (5.3 ) (11.9)% \$133.1 \$ 155.4 \$ (22.4 ) (14.4)% \$39.4 \$ 44.7

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, temporary contracting revenue decreased \$6.4 million, or 21.3%, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decline was partially offset by an increase in talent management and permanent recruitment revenue of \$0.4 million and \$0.5 million, or 7.1% and 5.0%, respectively, as compared to the same period in 2015.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, temporary contracting revenue decreased \$24.4 million, or 23.1%, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decline was partially offset by an increase in talent management and permanent recruitment revenue of \$1.5 million and \$0.3 million, or 8.7% and 1.0%, as compared to the same period in 2015.

In the U.K., for the three months ended September 30, 2016, revenue decreased by \$7.1 million, or 20.7%, to \$27.0 million, from \$34.1 million for the same period in 2015. For the three months ended September 30, 2016, the decrease in the U.K. was driven by a decline in temporary contracting revenue of \$6.8 million, or 23.6%, as compared to the same period in 2015, primarily a result of reduced demand from large financial services clients.

In the U.K., for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, revenue decreased by \$13.8 million, or 12.8%, to \$93.7 million, from \$107.4 million for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the decrease in the U.K. was driven by declines in temporary contracting and permanent recruitment revenues of \$12.8 million and \$1.2 million, or 14.2% and 7.7%, respectively, as compared to the same period in 2015.

In Continental Europe, total revenue was \$12.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to \$10.6 million for the same period in 2015, an increase of \$1.8 million, or 16.6%.

In Continental Europe, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, total revenue was \$39.4 million, as compared to \$48.0 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$8.6 million, or 17.9%. The revenue decline in Continental Europe was a result of the prior year divestitures, resulting in a decline in revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 of \$13.1 million, as compared to the same period in 2015. Excluding the decline from prior year divestitures, revenue in Continental Europe, increased by \$4.5 million, or 12.9%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015.

Gross Margin

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	2016	2015	Change	Changa	2016	2015	Change	Change
\$ in millions	As	Constant	in		As	Constant	in	in %
	reported	currency	amount	in %	reported	currency	amount	111 70
Hudson Europe								
Gross margin	\$17.4	\$17.1	\$ 0.3	2.0 %	\$57.8	\$59.6	\$ (1.8)	(3.0)%
Gross margin as a percentage of revenue	44.3 %	38.3 %	N/A	N/A	43.5 %	38.4 %	N/A	N/A

Temporary contracting gross margin as a percentage of temporary contracting revenue 13.6 % 13.8 % N/A N/A 13.8 % 14.3 % N/A N/A

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For the three months ended September 30, 2016, talent management and permanent recruitment gross margin increased \$0.4 million and \$0.6 million, or 9.6% and 6.8%, respectively, as compared to the same period in 2015. The increase was partially offset by a decline in temporary contracting gross margin of \$0.9 million, or 22.8%, as compared to the same period in 2015.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, temporary contracting gross margin decreased \$3.9 million, or 25.6%, partially offset by increases in permanent recruitment and talent management gross margins of \$0.4 million and \$1.3 million, or 1.4% and 9.2%, respectively, as compared to the same period in 2015

In the U.K., total gross margin for the three months ended September 30, 2016 decreased \$1.3 million, or 15.5%, as compared to the same period in 2015. Temporary contracting and permanent recruitment gross margins declined \$1.1 million and \$0.2 million, or 27.3% and 5.5%, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to 2015.

In the U.K., total gross margin for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 decreased \$2.8 million, or 9.8%, as compared to the same period in 2015. Temporary contracting and permanent recruitment gross margins declined \$1.6 million and \$1.1 million, or 13.5% and 7.5%, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015.

In Continental Europe, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, total gross margin increased \$1.6 million, or 19.4%, as compared to the same period in 2015.

In Continental Europe for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, total gross margin increased \$0.9 million, or 3.0%, as compared to the same period in 2015. The prior year divestitures resulted in a decline in gross margin for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, of \$3.0 million, as compared to the same period in 2015. Excluding the decline from prior year divestitures, gross margin in Continental Europe increased \$3.9 million, or 13.6%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015.

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, gross margin, as a percentage of revenue, was 44.3%, as compared to 38.3% for 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, gross margin, as a percentage of revenue, was 43.5%, as compared to 38.4% for 2015. The increase in gross margin, as a percentage of revenue, resulted from an increase in the relative mix of higher margin permanent recruitment and lower margin temporary contracting revenues. The temporary contracting gross margin, as a percentage of revenue, for the three months ended September 30, 2016, was 13.6%, as compared to 13.8%, for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the temporary contracting gross margin, as a percentage of revenue, was 13.8%, as compared to 14.3% for the same period in 2015.

#### SG&A and Non-Op

•	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	2016	2015	Change	Change	2016	2015	Change	Change
\$ in millions	As	Constant	111	in %	AS	Constant		in %
	reported	currency	amount	rep	reported	currency	amount	111 /0
Hudson Europe								
SG&A and Non-Op	\$17.8	\$17.8	\$ (0.1)	(0.3)%	\$56.5	\$61.8	\$ (5.3)	(8.6)%
SG&A and Non-Op as a percentage of	45.1 %	39.9 %	N/A	N/A	42.4 %	39.8 %	N/A	N/A
revenue	73.1 /0	37.7 10	11//1	11//1	72.7	37.0 /	11//1	14/11

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op decreased \$0.1 million, or 0.3%, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decline is a result of actions taken to streamline business processes in 2015, including reduced real estate, back office support functions and corporate management fees, partially offset by higher staff costs in Continental Europe.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op decreased \$5.3 million, or 8.6%, as compared to the same period in 2015. The decline is a result of the 2015 divestiture of the Netherlands business, lower stock based compensation expense along with the same factors noted above. The decline in stock based compensation expense is partially attributable to the prior year June 2015 change in control stock compensation expense of \$0.7 million.

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For the three months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op, as a percentage of revenue, was 45.1%, as compared to 39.9% for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, SG&A and Non-Op, as a percentage of revenue, was 42.4%, as compared to 39.8% for the same period in 2015. The increase in SG&A and Non-Op, as a percentage of revenue, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 was primarily due to lower revenue, as compared to the same periods in 2015.

#### **Business Reorganization Expenses**

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, business reorganization expenses were \$0.2 million, as compared to \$1.2 million for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, business reorganization expenses were \$0.8 million, as compared to \$2.6 million for the same period in 2015. The business reorganization expenses incurred for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 were primarily due to severance costs, lease exit charges in France and changes in lease exit cost estimates in the U.K.

#### Operating Income and EBITDA

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,			mber
	2016	2015	Change	Change	2016	2015	Change	Change
\$ in millions	As	Constant		in %	AS	Constant		in %
	reported	currency	amount	111 /6	reporte	edcurrency amount		111 /0
Hudson Europe								
Operating income (loss)	\$(0.4)	\$(1.4)	\$ 1.0	71.4 %	\$1.3	\$1.3	\$ —	1.2 %
EBITDA (loss)	\$(0.5)	\$(2.0)	\$ 1.5	76.1 %	\$0.8	\$(0.5)	\$ 1.2	(a)
EBITDA (loss) as a percentage of revenue	(1.2)%	(4.4 )%	N/A	N/A	0.6 %	(0.3)%	N/A	N/A

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, EBITDA loss was \$0.5 million, or 1.2% of revenue, as compared to EBITDA loss of \$2.0 million, or 4.4% of revenue, for the same period in 2015. The increase in EBITDA for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015, was principally due to lower business reorganization and SG&A and Non-Op expenses and the increase in gross margin.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, EBITDA was \$0.8 million, or 0.6% of revenue, as compared to EBITDA loss of \$0.5 million, or 0.3% of revenue, for the same period in 2015. The increase in EBITDA for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015, was principally due to lower business reorganization and SG&A and Non-Op expenses, partially offset by a decrease in gross margin. For the three months ended September 30, 2016, operating loss was \$0.4 million, as compared to operating loss of \$1.4 million for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, operating income was \$1.3 million. The differences between operating income and EBITDA for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 were principally due to corporate management fees and depreciation.

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The following are discussed in reported currency

Corporate Expenses, Net of Corporate Management Fee Allocations

Corporate expenses were \$0.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to \$1.1 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$0.7 million. The decrease for the three months ended September 30, 2016, was principally due to cost savings associated with prior year reorganization efforts offset by lower corporate allocations to our business operations.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, corporate expenses were \$5.8 million as compared to \$6.2 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$0.4 million. The decrease for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was principally due to the factors noted above and a decline in stock based compensation expense, offset by legal settlement costs associated with an arbitration claim (see Note 14) and lower corporate allocations to our business operations. The decline in stock based compensation expense is partially attributable to the prior year June 2015 change in control stock compensation expense of \$0.8 million.

#### Depreciation and Amortization Expense

Depreciation and amortization expense was \$0.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to \$1.0 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$0.2 million, or 16.1%. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, depreciation and amortization expense was \$2.3 million, as compared to \$3.0 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease of \$0.7 million, or 24.5%. The decrease was due to lower level of capital expenditures in 2016 as compared to 2015.

Interest Expense, Net of Interest Income

Interest expense was \$0.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to \$0.1 million for the same period in 2015. Interest expense was \$0.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to \$0.5 million for the same period in 2015.

Provision for (Benefit from) Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was \$1.2 million on \$7.6 million of pre-tax loss from continuing operations, as compared to a benefit for income tax of \$1.3 million on \$2.8 million of pre-tax income from continuing operations for the same period in 2015. The effective tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was negative 15.7%, as compared to negative 47.5% for the same period in 2015. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the effective tax rate differed from the U.S. Federal statutory rate of 35% primarily due to the inability of the Company to recognize tax benefits on certain losses until positive earnings are achieved in the U.S. and certain other foreign jurisdictions, a decrease in tax benefits that were previously recognized, non-deductible expenses, and variations from the U.S. tax rate in foreign jurisdictions. For the nine months ended September 30, 2015, the effective tax rate differed from the U.S. Federal statutory rate of 35% due to the utilization of U.S. tax losses not previously recognized as tax benefits to offset gain on sale of business, foreign tax exemptions applicable to gains on sale or exit of businesses, the inability of the Company to recognize tax benefits on losses until positive earnings are achieved in the U.S. and certain other foreign jurisdictions, non-deductible expenses, and variations from the U.S. tax rate in foreign jurisdictions.

Net Income (Loss)

Net loss was \$1.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to net loss of \$2.1 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease in net loss of \$0.2 million. Basic and diluted loss per share were \$0.06 for the three months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to basic and diluted loss per share of \$0.06 for the same period in 2015.

Net loss was \$8.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to net income of \$5.0 million for the same period in 2015, a decrease in net income of \$13.5 million. The decrease in net income was primarily due to \$21.2 million recorded related to gains associated with the sale and exit of businesses including discontinued operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2015, partially offset by the factors noted above. Basic and diluted loss per share were \$0.25 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to basic and diluted income per share of \$0.15 for the same period in 2015.

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#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of September 30, 2016, cash and cash equivalents totaled \$17.4 million, as compared to \$37.7 million as of December 31, 2015. The following table summarizes the Company's cash flow activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015:

	For the Nine
	Months Ended
	September 30,
\$ in millions	2016 2015
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$(15.1) \$(18.2)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(1.8 ) 22.3
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(2.9)(0.8)
Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents	(0.5)(1.0)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$(20.3) \$2.3

#### Cash Flows from Operating Activities

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, net cash used in operating activities was \$15.1 million, as compared to \$18.2 million net cash used in operating activities for the same period in 2015, a decrease in net cash used in operating activities of \$3.1 million. The decline in net cash used in operating activities resulted principally from a decrease in working capital requirements as a result of the prior year divestitures and fluctuations in foreign currency. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, net cash used in operating activities from discontinued operations was \$0.7 million, as compared to \$0.5 million for the same period in 2015.

#### Cash Flows from Investing Activities

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, net cash used in investing activities was \$1.8 million, as compared to \$22.3 million of net cash flows provided by investing activities for the same period in 2015. The decrease in net cash provided by investing activities was due to the sales of the US IT and Netherlands businesses in 2015.

#### Cash Flows from Financing Activities

For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, net cash used in financing activities was \$2.9 million, as compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$0.8 million for the same period in 2015, an increase in net cash used in financing activities of \$2.1 million. The increase in net cash used in financing activities was primarily attributable to current year cash dividends and repurchase of common stock, partially offset by an increase in net borrowings in the nine months ended September 30, 2016, as compared to the same period in 2015.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Company paid cash dividends of \$3.4 million, or \$0.10 per share.

Credit Agreements

Receivables Finance Agreement with Lloyds Bank Commercial Finance Limited and Lloyds Bank PLC

On August 1, 2014, the Company's U.K. subsidiary ("U.K. Borrower") entered into a receivables finance agreement for an asset-based lending funding facility (the "Lloyds Agreement") with Lloyds Bank PLC and Lloyds Bank Commercial Finance Limited (together, "Lloyds"). Until September 15, 2016, the Lloyds Agreement provided the U.K. Borrower with the ability to borrow up to \$19.5 million (£15.0 million), at which time the U.K. Borrower entered into an amendment to the Lloyds Agreement that reduced the borrowing limit to \$15.6 million (£12.0 million). Extensions of credit are based on a percentage of the eligible accounts receivable less required reserves from the Company's U.K. operations. The initial term was two years with renewal periods every three months thereafter. Borrowings under this facility are secured by substantially all of the assets of the U.K. Borrower.

The credit facility under the Lloyds Agreement contains two tranches. The first tranche is a revolving facility based on the billed temporary contracting and permanent recruitment activities in the U.K. operations ("Lloyds Tranche A").

The borrowing limit of Lloyds Tranche A is \$14.9 million (£11.5 million) and is based on 83% of eligible billed temporary contracting and permanent recruitment receivables. The second tranche is a revolving facility that is based on the unbilled work-in-progress (as defined under the receivables finance agreement) activities in the Company's U.K. operations ("Lloyds Tranche B"). The borrowing limit of Lloyds Tranche B is \$0.6 million (£0.5 million) and is based on 25% of eligible work-in-

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progress from permanent recruitment activities. For both tranches, borrowings may be made with an interest rate based on a base rate as determined by Lloyds Bank PLC, based on the Bank of England base rate, plus 1.75%.

The Lloyds Agreement contains various restrictions and covenants including (1) that true credit note dilution may not exceed 5%, measured at audit on a regular basis; (2) debt turn may not exceed 55 days over a three month rolling period; (3) dividends by the U.K. Borrower to the Company are restricted to the value of post-tax profits; and (4) at the end of each month, there must be a minimum excess availability of \$2.6 million (£2.0 million).

The details of the Lloyds Agreement as of September 30, 2016 were as follows:

¢ in millions	September 30,			
\$ in millions	2016			
Borrowing capacity	\$ 7.7			
Less: outstanding borrowing	(0.4	)		
Additional borrowing availability	\$ 7.3			
Interest rates on outstanding borrowing	2.00	%		

The Company was in compliance with all financial covenants under the Lloyds Agreement as of September 30, 2016.

Facility Agreement with National Australia Bank Limited

On October 30, 2015, Hudson Global Resources (Aust) Pty Limited ("Hudson Australia") and Hudson Global Resources (NZ) Limited ("Hudson New Zealand"), both subsidiaries of the Company, entered into a Finance Agreement, dated as of October 27, 2015 (the "Finance Agreement"), with National Australia Bank Limited ("NAB"), a NAB Corporate Receivables Facility Agreement, dated as of October 27, 2015 (the "Australian Receivables Agreement"), with NAB and a BNZ Corporate Receivables Facility Agreement, dated as of October 27, 2015 (the "New Zealand Receivables Agreement"), with Bank of New Zealand ("BNZ").

The Finance Agreement provides a bank guarantee facility of up to \$2.3 million (AUD 3.0 million) for Hudson Australia and Hudson New Zealand. The Finance Agreement matures and becomes due and payable on October 27, 2018. A fee equal to 1.5% per annum will be charged on each bank guarantee issued under the Finance Agreement. The Finance Agreement bears a fee, payable semiannually in arrears, equal to 0.3% per annum of NAB's commitment under the Finance Agreement.

The Australian Receivables Agreement provides a receivables facility of up to \$19.2 million (AUD 25.0 million) for Hudson Australia, which is based on an agreed percentage of eligible accounts receivable, and of which up to \$3.1 million (AUD 4.0 million) may be used to support the working capital requirements of operations in China, Hong Kong and Singapore. The Australian Receivables Agreement does not have a stated maturity date and can be terminated by Hudson Australia or NAB upon 90 days written notice. Borrowings under the Australian Receivables Agreement may be made with an interest rate based on a market rate plus a margin of 1.5% per annum. The Australian Receivable Agreement bears a fee, payable monthly in advance, equal to \$5 thousand (AUD 6 thousand) per month.

The New Zealand Receivables Agreement provides a receivables facility of up to \$3.6 million (NZD 5.0 million) for Hudson New Zealand, which is based on an agreed percentage of eligible accounts receivable. The New Zealand Receivables Agreement does not have a stated maturity date and can be terminated by Hudson New Zealand or BNZ upon 90 days written notice. Borrowings under the New Zealand Receivables Agreement may be made with an interest rate based on a market rate. The New Zealand Receivables Agreement bears a fee, payable monthly in advance, equal to \$1 thousand (NZD 1 thousand) per month.

The details of the Finance Agreement, Australian Receivables Agreement and New Zealand Receivables Agreement as of September 30, 2016 were as follows:

\$ in millions	September 30, 2016		
Finance Agreement:			
Financial guarantee capacity	\$ 2.3		
Less: outstanding financial guarantees	(1.9	)	
Additional availability for financial guarantees	\$ 0.4		
Interest rates on outstanding financial guarantees	1.80	%	
Australian Receivables Agreement:			
Borrowing capacity	\$ 16.3		
Less: outstanding borrowing	(7.7	)	
Additional borrowing availability	\$ 8.6		
Interest rates on outstanding borrowing	3.17	%	
New Zealand Receivables Agreement:			
Borrowing capacity	\$ 2.0		
Less: outstanding borrowing			
Additional borrowing availability	\$ 2.0		
Interest rates on outstanding borrowing	4.19	%	

Amounts owing under the Finance Agreement, the Australian Receivables Agreement and the New Zealand Receivables Agreement are secured by substantially all of the assets of Hudson Australia and Hudson New Zealand. Each of the Finance Agreement, the Australian Receivables Agreement and the New Zealand Receivables Agreement contains various restrictions and covenants applicable to Hudson Australia and Hudson New Zealand, including: a requirement that Hudson Australia and Hudson New Zealand maintain (1) a minimum Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio (as defined in the NAB Facility Agreement) of 1.50x as of the last day of each calendar quarter; and (2) a minimum Receivables Ratio (as defined by the NAB Facility Agreement) of 1.20x.

The Company was in compliance with all financial covenants under the NAB Facility Agreement as of September 30, 2016.

#### Other Credit Agreements

The Company also has lending arrangements with local banks through its subsidiaries in Belgium and Singapore. The Belgium subsidiary has a \$1.1 million (€1.0 million) overdraft facility. Borrowings under the Belgium lending arrangements may be made with an interest rate based on the one-month EURIBOR plus a margin, and was 2.75% as of September 30, 2016. The lending arrangement in Belgium has no expiration date and can be terminated with a 15-day notice period. In Singapore, the Company's subsidiary can borrow up to \$0.1 million (SGD 0.2 million) for working capital purposes. Interest on borrowings under the Singapore overdraft facility is based on the Singapore Prime Rate plus a margin of 1.75%, and it was 6.00% on September 30, 2016. The Singapore overdraft facility expires annually each August, but can be renewed for one-year periods at that time. There were no outstanding borrowings under the Belgium and Singapore lending agreements as of September 30, 2016.

The average aggregate monthly outstanding borrowings for the credit agreements above was \$9.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The weighted average interest rate on all outstanding borrowings for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was 3.45%.

The Company continues to use the aforementioned credit to support its ongoing global working capital requirements, capital expenditures and other corporate purposes and to support letters of credit. Letters of credit and bank guarantees

are used primarily to support office leases.

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#### Liquidity Outlook

As of September 30, 2016, the Company had cash and cash equivalents on hand of \$17.4 million, supplemented by additional borrowing availability of \$19.1 million under the Lloyds Agreement, the NAB Facility Agreement and other lending arrangements in Belgium and Singapore. The Company believes that it has sufficient liquidity to satisfy its needs through at least the next 12 months, based on the Company's total liquidity as of September 30, 2016. The Company's near-term cash requirements during 2016 are primarily related to funding operations, restructuring actions, investing in capital expenditures and repurchasing shares. For the full year 2016, the Company expects to make capital expenditures of approximately \$2.0 million to \$3.0 million and payments in connection with current restructuring actions of \$3.0 million to \$4.0 million.

As of September 30, 2016, \$2.7 million of the Company's cash and cash equivalents noted above were held in the U.S. and the remainder were held outside the U.S., primarily in Belgium (\$3.9 million), Mainland China (\$2.3 million), Spain (\$1.7 million), the U.K. (\$1.4 million), Hong Kong (\$1.4 million), New Zealand (\$1.1 million), France (\$0.9 million) and Australia (\$0.7 million). The majority of the Company's offshore cash is available to it as a source of funds, net of any tax obligations or assessments. Unrepatriated cumulative earnings of certain foreign subsidiaries are considered to be invested indefinitely outside of the U.S., except where the Company is able to repatriate these earnings to the U.S. without a material incremental tax provision. In managing its day-to-day liquidity and its capital structure, the Company does not rely on the unrepatriated earnings as a source of funds. The Company has not provided for U.S. Federal income or foreign withholding taxes on these undistributed foreign earnings because a distribution of these foreign earnings with material incremental tax provision is unlikely to occur in the foreseeable future. It is not practicable to determine the amount of tax associated with such undistributed earnings.

The Company believes that future external market conditions remain uncertain, particularly access to credit, rates of near-term projected economic growth and levels of unemployment in the markets in which the Company operates. Due to these uncertain external market conditions, the Company cannot provide assurance that its actual cash requirements will not be greater in the future than those currently expected, especially if market conditions deteriorate substantially. If sources of liquidity are not available or if the Company cannot generate sufficient cash flow from operations, the Company could be required to obtain additional sources of funds through additional operating improvements, capital market transactions, asset sales or financing from third parties, or a combination of those sources. The Company cannot provide assurance that these additional sources of funds will be available or, if available, would have reasonable terms.

#### Contingencies

From time to time in the ordinary course of business, the Company is subject to compliance audits by federal, state, local and foreign government regulatory, tax and other authorities relating to a variety of regulations, including wage and hour laws, unemployment taxes, workers' compensation, immigration, and income, value-added and sales taxes. The Company is also subject to, from time to time in the ordinary course of business, various claims, lawsuits and other complaints from, for example, clients, candidates, suppliers, landlords for both leased and subleased properties, former and current employees, and regulators or tax authorities. In addition, see Note 14 for a description of a dispute and the subsequent resolution between the Company and its former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. Periodic events and management actions such as business reorganization initiatives can change the number and type of audits, claims, lawsuits, contract disputes or complaints asserted against the Company. Events can also change the likelihood of assertion and the behavior of third parties to reach resolution regarding such matters.

The economic circumstances in the recent past have given rise to many news reports and bulletins from clients, tax authorities and other parties about changes in their procedures for audits, payment, plans to challenge existing contracts and other such matters aimed at being more aggressive in the resolution of such matters in their own favor. The Company believes that it has appropriate procedures in place for identifying and communicating any matters of this type, whether asserted or likely to be asserted, and it evaluates its liabilities in light of the prevailing circumstances. Changes in the behavior of third parties could cause the Company to change its view of the likelihood of a claim and what might constitute a trend. Employment laws vary in the markets in which we operate, and in some

cases, employees and former employees have extended periods during which they may bring claims against the Company.

For matters that have reached the threshold of probable and estimable, the Company has established reserves for legal, regulatory and other contingent liabilities. The Company's reserves were \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. Although the outcome of these matters cannot be determined, the Company believes that none of the currently pending matters, individually or in the aggregate, will have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

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#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note <u>3</u> to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Form 10-Q for a full description of relevant recent accounting pronouncements, including the respective expected dates of adoption. Critical Accounting Policies

See "Critical Accounting Policies" under Item 7 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 filed with the SEC on March 3, 2016 and incorporated by reference herein. There were no changes to the Company's critical accounting policies during the three months ended September 30, 2016.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Form 10-Q contains statements that the Company believes to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this Form 10-Q, including statements regarding the Company's future financial condition, results of operations, business operations and business prospects, are forward-looking statements. Words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "project," "intend," "plan," "predict," "believe" and similar words, expressions and variations of these words and expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements are subject to important factors, risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including industry and economic conditions that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. Such factors, risks, uncertainties and assumptions include, but are not limited to, (1) global economic fluctuations, (2) the Company's ability to successfully execute its strategic initiatives, (3) risks related to fluctuations in the Company's operating results from quarter to quarter, (4) the ability of clients to terminate their relationship with the Company at any time, (5) competition in the Company's markets, (6) the negative cash flows and operating losses that the Company has experienced in recent periods and may experience from time to time in the future, (7) restrictions on the Company's operating flexibility due to the terms of its credit facilities, (8) risks associated with the Company's investment strategy, (9) risks related to international operations, including foreign currency fluctuations, (10) the Company's dependence on key management personnel, (11) the Company's ability to attract and retain highly-skilled professionals, (12) the Company's ability to collect its accounts receivable, (13) the Company's ability to achieve anticipated cost savings through the Company's cost reduction initiatives, (14) the Company's heavy reliance on information systems and the impact of potentially losing or failing to develop technology, (15) risks related to providing uninterrupted service to clients, (16) the Company's exposure to employment-related claims from clients, employers and regulatory authorities and limits on related insurance coverage, (17) the Company's ability to utilize net operating loss carry-forwards, (18) volatility of the Company's stock price, and (19) the impact of government regulations. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Form 10-O. The Company assumes no obligation, and expressly disclaims any obligation, to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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#### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The Company conducts operations in various countries and faces both translation and transaction risks related to foreign currency exchange. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the Company earned approximately 92% of its gross margin outside the U.S., and it collected payments in local currency and paid related operating expenses in such corresponding local currency. Revenues and expenses in foreign currencies translate into higher or lower revenues and expenses in U.S. dollars as the U.S. dollar weakens or strengthens against other currencies. Therefore, changes in exchange rates may affect our consolidated revenues and expenses (as expressed in U.S. dollars) from foreign operations.

Amounts invested in our foreign operations are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date. The resulting translation adjustments are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income in the stockholders' equity section of the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The translation of foreign currency into U.S. dollars is reflected as a component of stockholders' equity and does not impact our reported net income (loss).

The Brexit referendum resulted in a decline in the value of the British pound, as compared to the U.S. dollar. The Company's U.K. operations, future financial performance and translation of results may be affected, in part, by the outcome of tariff, trade, regulatory, and other negotiations as the U.K. negotiates its exit from the European Union. As more fully described in Item 2 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," the Company has credit agreements with Lloyds Bank PLC and Lloyds Bank Commercial Finance Limited, National Australia Bank Limited and other credit agreements with lenders in Belgium and Singapore. The Company does not hedge the interest risk on borrowings under the credit agreements, and accordingly, it is exposed to interest rate risk on the borrowings under such credit agreements. Based on the Company's annual average borrowings in the current year, a 1% increase or decrease in interest rates on the Company's borrowings would not have a material impact on the Company's earnings.

#### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company's management, with the participation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has conducted an evaluation of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined under Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Based on this evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2016.

Changes in internal control over financial reporting

There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

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#### PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company is involved in various legal proceedings that are incidental to the conduct of its business. The Company is not involved in any pending legal proceeding that it believes would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on its financial condition or results of operations.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

As of September 30, 2016, there have not been any material changes to the information set forth in Item 1A. "Risk Factors" disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

#### ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

The following table summarizes purchases of common stock by the Company during the quarter ended September 30, 2016.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Snares Purchased as	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (a)
July 1, 2016 - July 31, 2016	234,108	\$ 2.18	234,108	\$ 5,749,954
August 1, 2016 - August 31, 2016 (b)	68,940	1.93	33,491	5,681,669
September 1, 2016 - September 30, 2016	1,102,600	1.80	1,102,600	3,697,878
Total	1,405,648	\$ 1.87	1,370,199	\$ 3,697,878

On July 30, 2015, the Company announced that its Board of Directors authorization the repurchase of up to \$10.0 million of the Company's common stock. The authorization does not expire. See Note 17 for further details. As of

- (a) September 30, 2016, the Company had repurchased 2,846,456 shares for a total cost of approximately \$6.3 million under this authorization. From time to time, the Company may enter into a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan for purposes of repurchasing common stock under this authorization.
- (b) Includes 35,449 shares of restricted stock withheld from employees upon the vesting of such shares to satisfy employees' income tax withholding requirements.

## ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

#### ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

#### ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

The exhibits to this Form 10-Q are listed in the Exhibit Index included elsewhere herein.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

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

HUDSON GLOBAL, INC.

(Registrant)

By:/s/ STEPHEN A. NOLAN

Stephen A. Nolan Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Dated: October 28, 2016

By:/s/PATRICK LYONS

Patrick Lyons

Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer

(Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: October 28, 2016

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HUDSON GLOBAL, INC. FORM 10-Q **EXHIBIT INDEX** 

#### Exhibit

Description No.

Receivables Finance Agreement Amendment, dated September 15, 2016, between Lloyds Bank Commercial

- 4.1 Finance Limited and Hudson Global Resources Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Hudson Global, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 15, 2016 (File No. 0-50129)). Securities Purchase Agreement, dated September 6, 2016, between Hudson Global, Inc. and Sagard Capital
- Partners, L.P. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Hudson Global, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 10.1 8-K dated September 6, 2016 (File No. 0-50129)).
- 31.1 Certification by the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.
- 31.2 Certification by the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.
- Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350. 32.1
- Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350. 32.2 The following materials from Hudson Global, Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2016 are filed herewith, formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language); (i) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the three
- 101 and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, (iv) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, (v) the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, and (vi) Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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