

# Investor Presentation

February 2018

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# Mark Marron

Chief Executive Officer

## ePlus at a Glance

- + Leading provider of technology solutions focused on cloud, security, and digital infrastructure
- + Technology partners include Cisco, Dell/EMC, HPE, NetApp, Palo Alto Networks and VMware
- + FY17 net sales: \$1.3 billion
  - 8% CAGR FY13-FY17
- + FY17 non-GAAP earnings per share: \$3.95 \*
  - 14% CAGR on Non-GAAP EPS FY13-FY17
- + Headquarters: Herndon, Virginia
- + Presence in 40+ office locations in the U.S., Europe, and Asia-Pac
- + 1,284 employees as of 12/31/2017

\* See Non-GAAP Financial Information

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# Experienced Leadership Team



**Mark  
Marron**

Chief Executive Officer  
*Joined ePlus in 2005*  
30+ Years of Experience



**Phil  
Norton**

Executive Chairman  
*Joined ePlus in 1994*  
45+ Years of Experience



**Elaine  
Marion**

Chief Financial Officer  
*Joined ePlus in 1998*  
25+ Years of Experience



**Darren  
Raiguel**

Executive Vice President,  
Technology Sales  
*Joined ePlus in 1997*  
25+ Years of Experience



**Dan  
Farrell**

Senior Vice President,  
National Professional  
Services  
*Joined ePlus in 2010*  
30+ Years of Experience



**Mark  
Kelly**

Chief Strategy Officer  
*Joined ePlus in 2017*  
20+ Years of Experience



**Kley  
Parkhurst**

Senior Vice President,  
Corporate Development  
*Joined ePlus in 1991*  
30+ Years of Experience



**Steve  
Mencarini**

Senior Vice President,  
Business Operations  
*Joined ePlus in 1997*  
35+ Years of Experience



**Erica  
Stoecker**

General Counsel  
*Joined ePlus in 2001*  
20+ Years of Experience

# Well Positioned within the IT Ecosystem

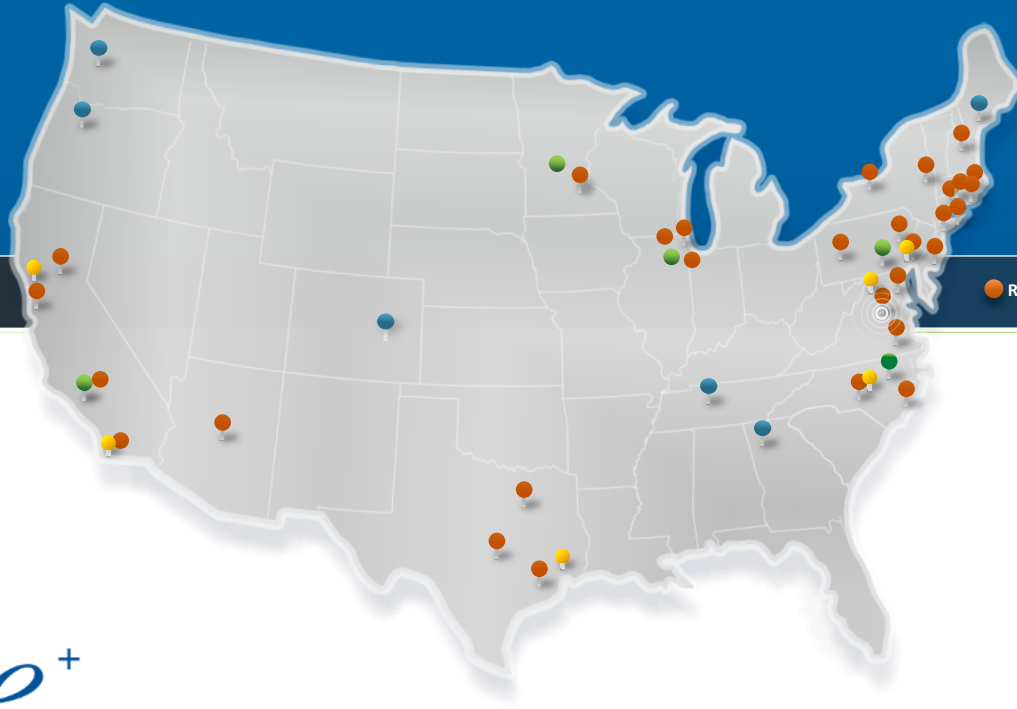
Our range of complex solutions and services places us in high end of the IT market



<sup>1</sup> Based on approximate LTM GAAP gross margin

# Expanding Footprint

*Resources to implement locally and globally*



● REGIONAL OFFICE ● SALES OFFICES ● MANAGED SERVICES CENTERS ● INTEGRATION CENTERS

- 40+ locations serving the U.S., Europe, and Asia-Pac
- 5 Managed Services Centers and 6 Integration Centers throughout the U.S.
- 400+ technical and support resources certified by the top IT manufacturers **in the world**



# Targeted M&A Strategy with Track Record of Success



- + September 2017 (\$38.4 million)
- + Chicago and Indianapolis data centers
- + New geography and customers



- + August 2014 (\$10.5 million)
- + Sacramento, CA Cisco VAR, largest Cisco VAR to State
- + Grow western SLED business



- + May 2017 (\$10.0 million)
- + Cloud-based services, solutions and DevOps
- + Offices in Milpitas, CA and India



- + November 2013 (\$2.8 million)
- + Rochester area reseller with storage expertise
- + Strengthened position as leading US FlexPod reseller



- + December 2016 (\$13.1 million) division of CCI
- + Minneapolis, MN Cisco VAR
- + New geography and customers



- + February 2012 (\$7.0 million)
- + SoCal Cisco reseller
- + Acquired new customers and west coast NOC



- + December 2015 (\$16.6 million)
- + Expand security offerings
- + UK location to serve UK and global customers



- + January 2012 (\$2.2 million)
- + Northern New England
- + Gained state contracts and Cisco Call Center Express expertise

*Note: amounts in parenthesis represent purchase price.*



# Customized Solutions

*Positioned squarely at the forefront of today's most **transformative technologies...***



## Cloud

Create customized roadmaps, then design, implement, service, and support customers on their journey to adopt hybrid and public cloud services.



## Security

Deliver cybersecurity programs built upon culture and technology, to mitigate business risk, fortify digital transformation, and create safer environments.



## Digital Infrastructure

Support the next phase of digitization with solutions that enable secure and efficient communication, improve the end user experience, lower costs, and empower data-driven decision making.



## Services

Apply a lifecycle approach to consult, design, architect, and implement solutions as well as monitor and manage IT environments.



## Financing and Consumption Models

Enable technology acquisitions with cost predictability and contract flexibility as well as align costs with demand using custom consumption programs.

# Measurable Results

*ePlus helps organizations imagine, implement, and achieve more from technology.*



## Cloud

Enterprise Defined  
Data Center  
Agile Infrastructure  
Public Cloud  
Hybrid Cloud /  
Automation  
ePlus Cloud Services



## Security

Strategy and Risk  
Management  
Architecture and Design  
Managed Security  
Services



## Digital Infrastructure

IoT and Analytics  
SD-WAN  
Software-Defined  
Networking  
Mobility / Connectivity  
Collaboration



## Services

Enhanced Maintenance  
Support  
Monitoring Services  
Managed Services  
Staffing  
Executive Services Portfolio  
Cloud Trainings  
DevOps on Nexus Platform  
Application Centric  
Infrastructure



## Financing and Consumption Models

As-a-Service Opex  
Payment Models  
OEM Solutions

# Independent Provider with Deep Strategic Relationships

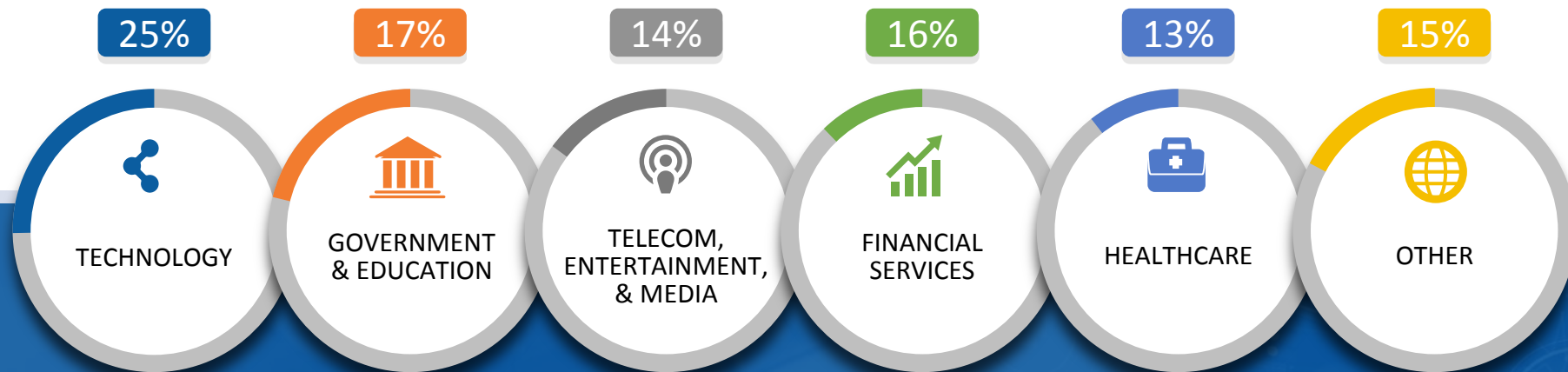
SELECTED STRATEGIC PARTNERS		EMERGING VENDORS	
    	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Excellent channel partner for ePlus, representing 47% of technology sales<sup>1</sup></li> <li>+ Networking, security, converged infrastructure</li> <li>+ ePlus engineers are trained in 26 different Cisco product lines</li> </ul>	SECURITY CLOUD/BACKUP DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE AI & ANALYTICS	   
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Converged infrastructure, enterprise storage, networking and virtualization</li> <li>+ Cloud, server and storage solutions</li> </ul>		  
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ NetApp Star Partner and Professional Services Partner</li> <li>+ Network storage (including All Flash Data Storage arrays) and services focused applications, file server consolidation, private and public cloud</li> </ul>		   
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ ePlus professionals maintain a variety of Dell EMC engineering certifications</li> <li>+ Networking storage and services</li> </ul>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Virtual infrastructure solutions</li> </ul>		
    		  	

<sup>1</sup> Based on the year ended 3/31/2017

# Broad and Diverse Customer Base

*Net Sales TTM 3QFY18*<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Trailing twelve months ended 12/31/2017



# Sampling of Our Customers



TECHNOLOGY



GOVERNMENT  
& EDUCATION



TELECOM,  
ENTERTAINMENT  
& MEDIA



FINANCIAL  
SERVICES



HEALTHCARE



OTHER



# Why ePlus



*In today's constantly changing, complex tech landscape, organizations need a partner that can solve short-term challenges with sustainable solutions that ensure long-term success.*



## **"Do what it takes" dedication**

Long-term view and enduring commitment extending well beyond the transaction



## **Industry-leading consultative expertise**

Capability to help customers better understand their evolving business environment



## **Comprehensive offerings**

Transformative technology to deliver measurable business outcomes: cloud, security, and digital infrastructure



## **Proven processes & methodologies**

Up-front assessments, followed by design and architecture, deployment and implementation, managed services, professional services, and staffing



## **Highly-accessible, consumption-based solutions**

Enable future success and better position our customers for tomorrow's needs



# Elaine Marion

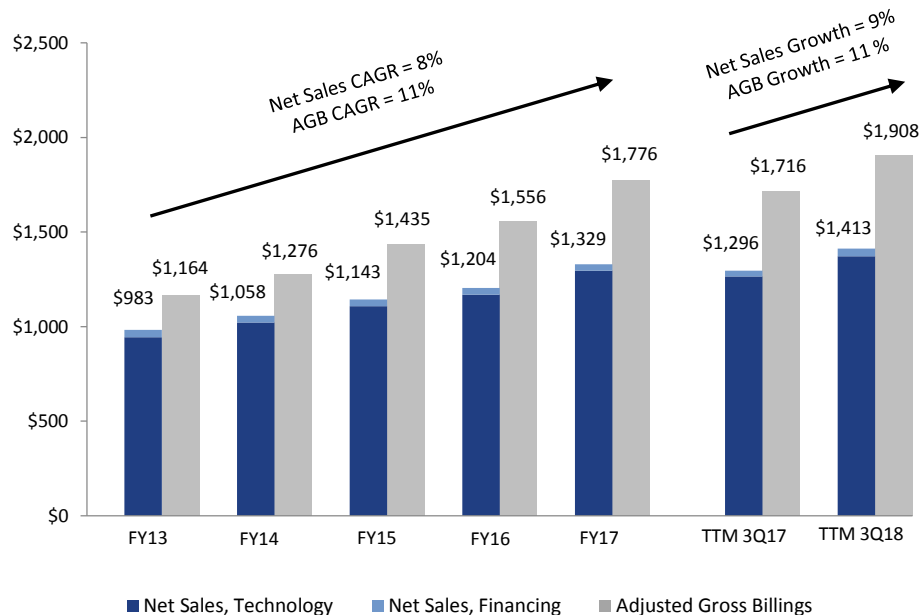
Chief Financial Officer

# Strong Financial Results

- + Operations are conducted through two segments. The technology segment sells information technology products, software and services, while the financing segment provides lease and financing solutions.
- + The majority of our net sales are derived from our technology segment, representing 97% of revenues in FY17.
- + Over the last five years, net sales and adjusted gross billings have increased at a compound annual rate of 8% and 11%, respectively.

FYE March 31 / Trailing twelve months ended December 31, unaudited

## Net Sales and Adjusted Gross Billings \* (\$mm)



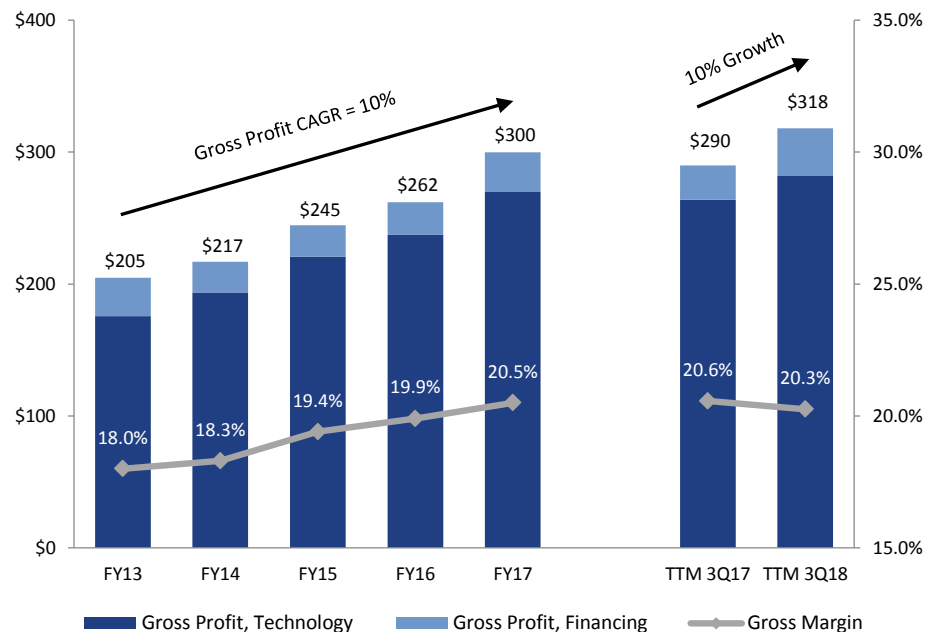
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# Strong Financial Results

- + Consolidated gross profit increased at a compounded annual rate of 10% from FY13 to FY17, driven by our technology segment, which represented 90% of our total gross profit in FY17.
- + Gross margin on the sale of product and services has increased from 18.0% in FY13 to 20.5% in FY17, as services capabilities continued to expand.

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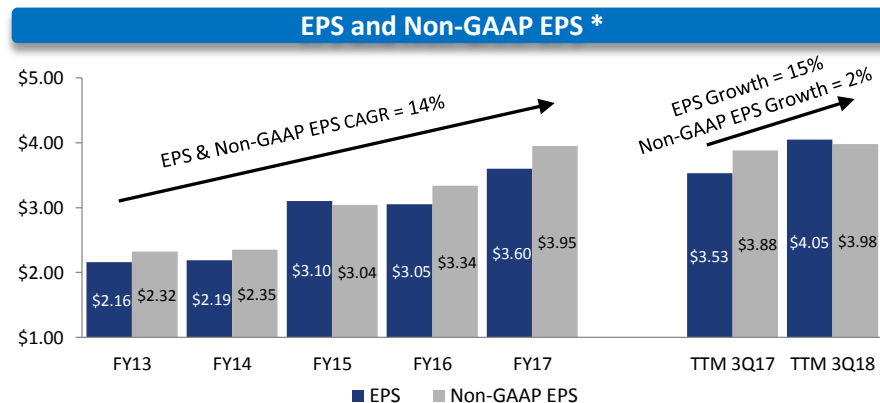
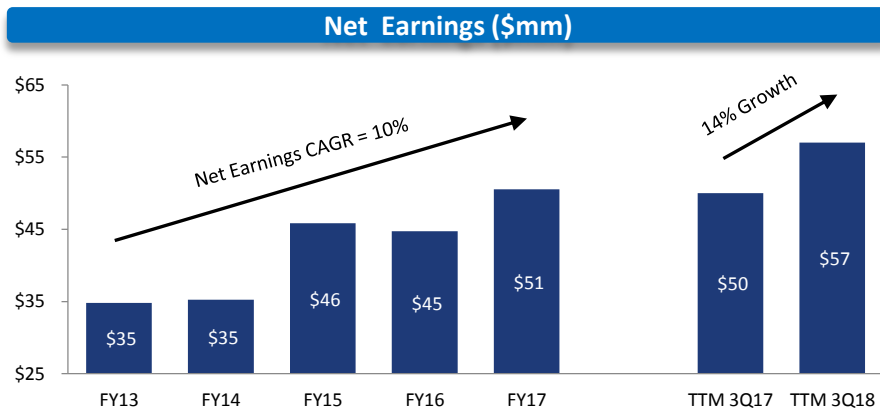
## Gross Profit and Gross Margin, Product and Services (\$mm)



# Strong Financial Results

- + From FY13 to FY17, net earnings increased at a compounded annual rate of 10% as a result of focusing on revenue growth and controlling overhead expenses.
- + FY15 included \$7.2 million in other income from the retirement of a liability and a claim in a class action lawsuit.
- + EPS and non-GAAP EPS both increased 14% over the last four years.
- + Non-GAAP EPS excluded other income and acquisition related amortization expense, net of tax, the tax (benefit) expense recognized due to the vesting of share based compensation, and the provisional tax benefit associated with the re-measurement of our deferred tax assets and liabilities at the new U.S. tax rate.

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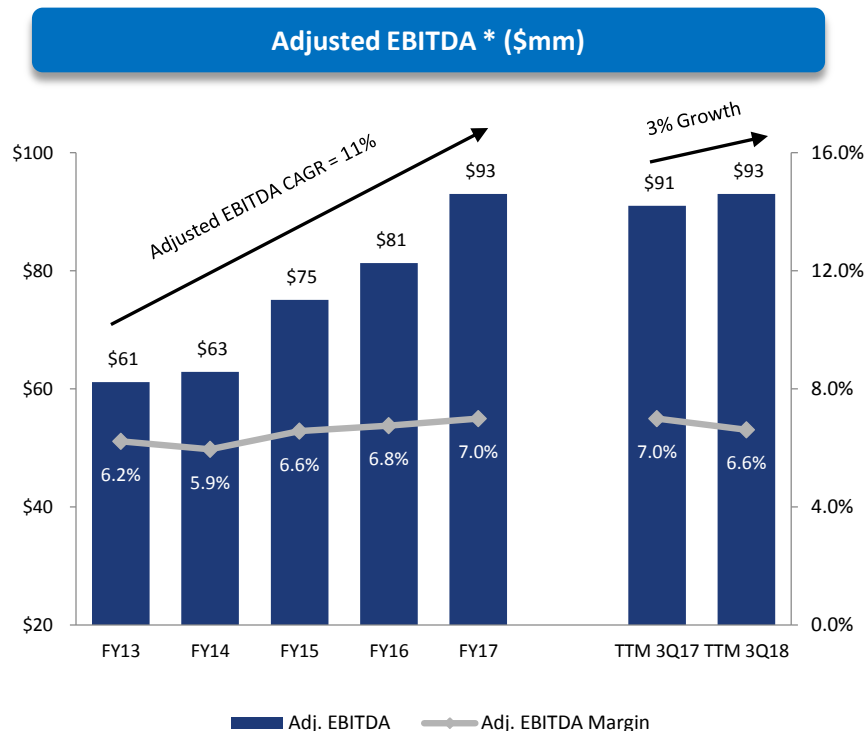
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# Strong Financial Results

- + Adjusted EBITDA represents net earnings before interest expense, depreciation and amortization, provision for income taxes, and other income. Interest on notes payable and depreciation expense presented within cost of sales represent operating expenses of financing segment, as such they are not added back to net earnings.
- + Over the last four years, adjusted EBITDA increased at a compounded annual rate of 11%.
- + Adjusted EBITDA margin increased from 6.2% to 7.0% over the last four years.
- + The lower adjusted EBITDA margin in FY14 was due to increases in salaries and benefits, reserve for credit losses, software license and maintenance, and depreciation and amortization.

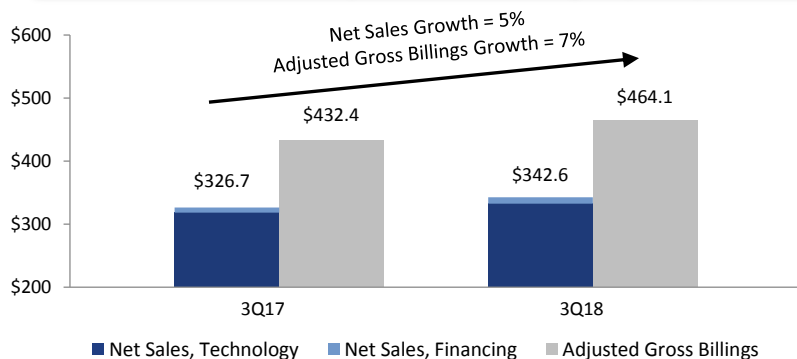
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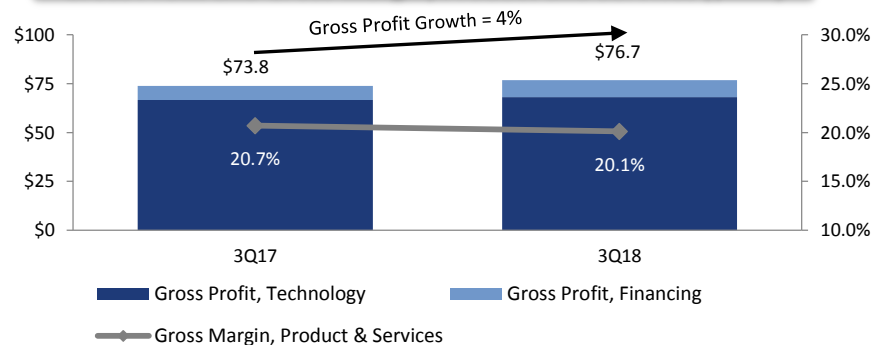
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# Results for Q3 FY18

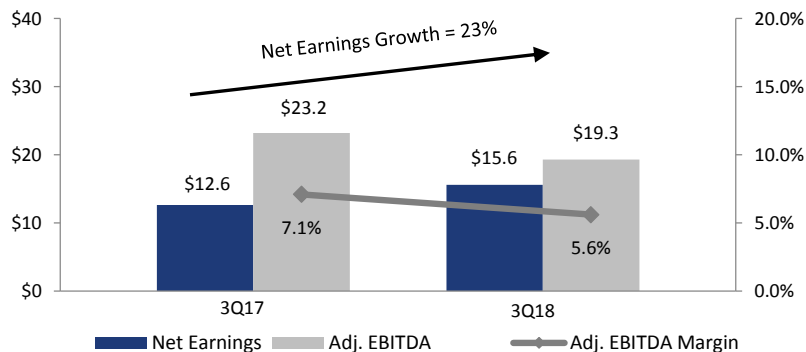
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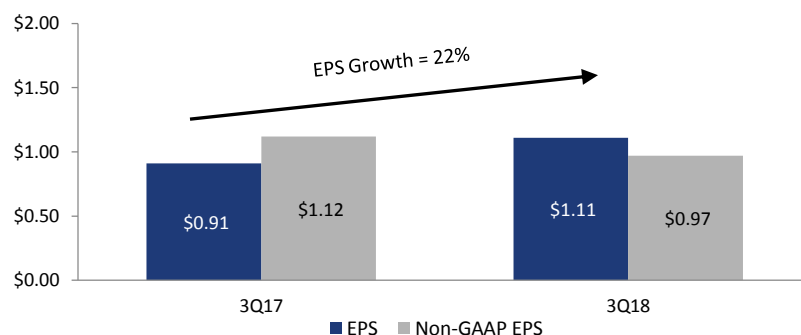
## Gross Profit and Gross Margin, Product and Services (\$mm)



## Net Earnings and Adjusted EBITDA \* (\$mm)

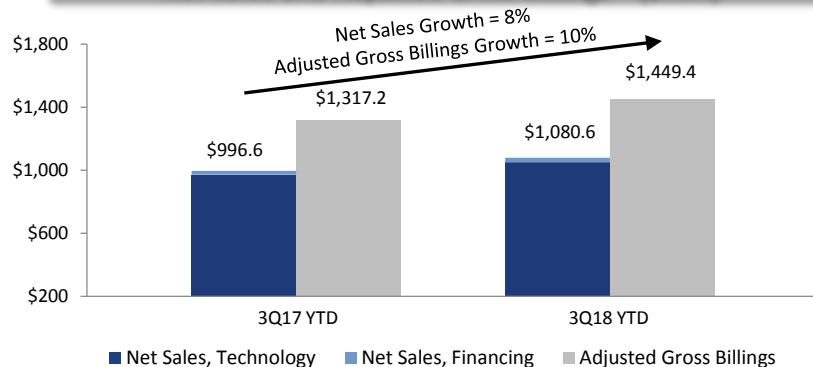


## EPS and Non-GAAP EPS \*

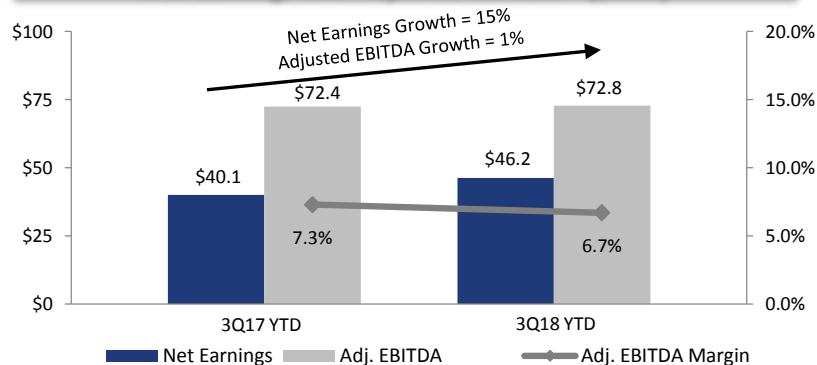


# Results for Q3 FY18 YTD

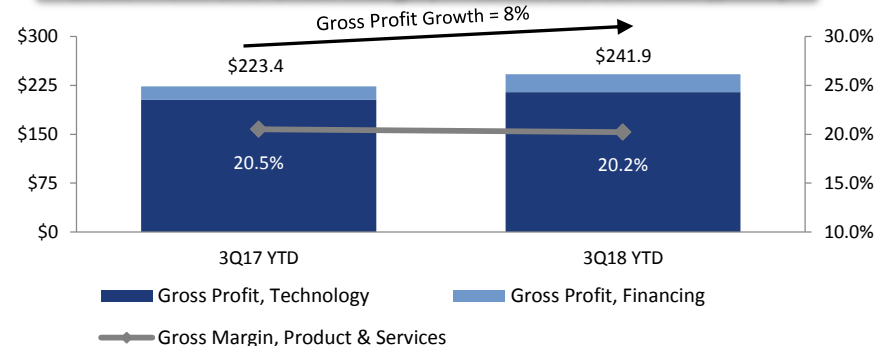
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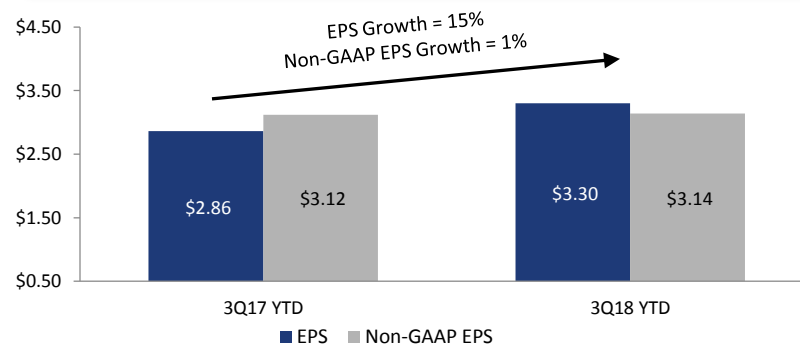
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## Gross Profit and Gross Margin, Product and Services (\$mm)

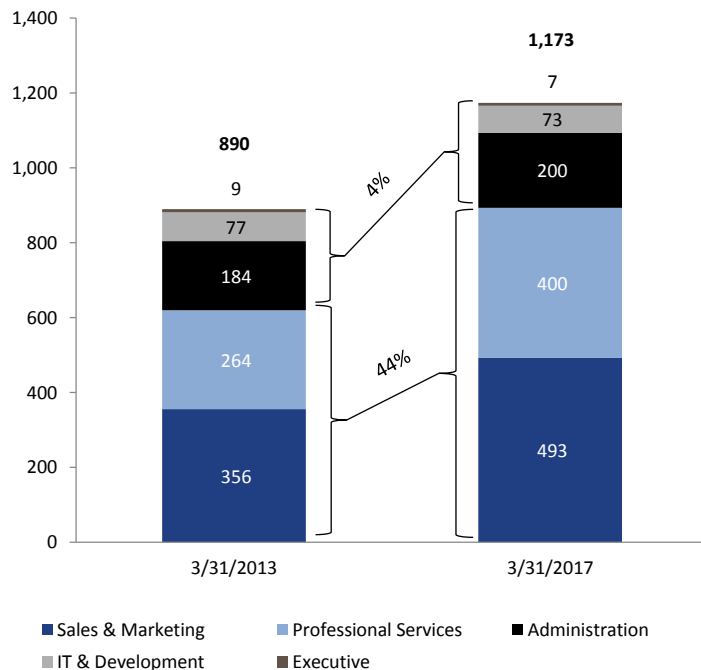


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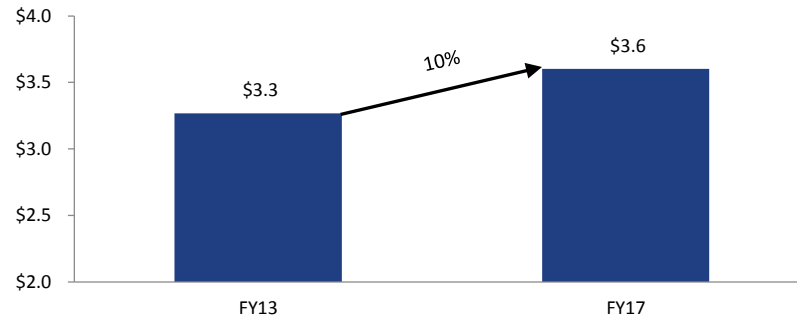


# Growing Productivity While Strategically Expanding Workforce

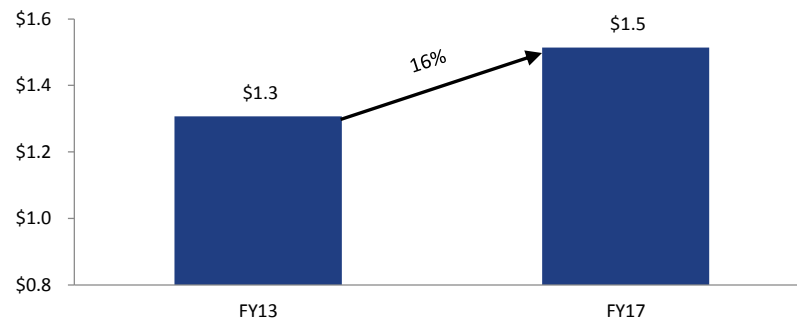
## Employee Headcount Growth by Function



## Adj. Gross Billings Per Sales & Marketing Employee (\$mm)



## Adj. Gross Billings Per Employee (\$mm)



# Strong Balance Sheet

- + \$76 million in cash and equivalents
- + \$250 million financing facility with Wells Fargo Commercial Distribution Finance, LLC
- + Financing portfolio of \$147 million as of 12/31/2017, representing investments in leases and notes
- + Portfolio monetization can be utilized to raise additional cash
- + ROIC 13.9% for the trailing twelve months ended 12/31/2017 <sup>1</sup>

\$ in millions

	December 31, 2017	March 31, 2017
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 76	\$ 110
Accounts receivable	317	291
Inventory	51	93
Financing investments	147	124
Goodwill & other intangibles	104	61
Property & equipment , deferred costs and other	70	63
Total assets	<u>\$ 765</u>	<u>\$ 742</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 234	\$ 246
Recourse notes payable	-	1
Non-recourse notes payable	31	37
Other liabilities	116	112
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 381</u>	<u>\$ 396</u>
<b>Shareholders' Equity</b>		
Equity	384	346
Total liabilities & equity	<u>\$ 765</u>	<u>\$ 742</u>

<sup>1</sup> ROIC = Operating Income x (1 – 31.5%) / (BV of debt + equity)



# Appendix

# Non-GAAP Financial Information

\$ in thousands, except per share information

	Year Ended March 31,					TTM Ended December 31,	
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2017	2016
Sales of product and services, as reported	\$ 1,290,228	\$ 1,163,337	\$ 1,100,884	\$ 1,013,374	\$ 936,228	\$ 1,367,221	\$ 1,260,322
Costs incurred related to sales of third party services	485,480	393,126	334,155	262,759	227,349	540,670	456,002
Adjusted gross billings of product and services	<u>\$ 1,775,708</u>	<u>\$ 1,556,463</u>	<u>\$ 1,435,039</u>	<u>\$ 1,276,133</u>	<u>\$ 1,163,577</u>	<u>\$ 1,907,891</u>	<u>\$ 1,716,324</u>
Net earnings	\$ 50,556	\$ 44,747	\$ 45,840	\$ 35,273	\$ 34,830	\$ 56,715	\$ 50,023
Provision for income taxes	35,556	31,004	32,473	24,825	23,915	27,745	33,732
Depreciation and amortization [1]	7,252	5,548	4,333	2,792	2,389	8,930	7,217
Other (income) expense [2]	(380)	-	(7,603)	-	-	1	(380)
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$ 92,984</u>	<u>\$ 81,299</u>	<u>\$ 75,043</u>	<u>\$ 62,890</u>	<u>\$ 61,134</u>	<u>\$ 93,391</u>	<u>\$ 90,592</u>
Adjusted EBITDA margin	<u>7.0%</u>	<u>6.8%</u>	<u>6.6%</u>	<u>5.9%</u>	<u>6.2%</u>	<u>6.6%</u>	<u>7.0%</u>
GAAP: Earnings before tax	\$ 86,112	\$ 75,751	\$ 78,313	\$ 60,098	\$ 58,745	\$ 84,460	\$ 83,755
Acquisition related amortization expense [3]	4,000	2,917	1,888	1,100	1,000	5,081	4,222
Other (income) expense [2]	(380)	-	(7,603)	-	-	1	(380)
Non-GAAP: Earnings before provision for income taxes	<u>89,732</u>	<u>78,668</u>	<u>72,598</u>	<u>61,198</u>	<u>59,745</u>	<u>89,542</u>	<u>87,597</u>
GAAP: Provision for income taxes	35,556	31,004	32,473	24,825	23,915	27,745	33,732
Acquisition related amortization expense	1,255	1,097	720	417	374	1,749	1,397
Other (income) expense	(144)	-	(2,899)	-	-	-	(144)
Remeasurement of deferred taxes [4]	-	-	-	-	-	3,407	-
Adjustment to reflect U.S. federal tax rate to be 31.5% [5]	(2,913)	(2,510)	(2,608)	(2,010)	(1,948)	(661)	(2,795)
Tax benefit on restricted stock	514	-	-	-	-	1,563	514
Non-GAAP: Provision for income taxes	<u>34,268</u>	<u>29,591</u>	<u>27,686</u>	<u>23,232</u>	<u>22,341</u>	<u>33,803</u>	<u>32,704</u>
Non-GAAP: Net earnings	<u>\$ 55,464</u>	<u>\$ 49,077</u>	<u>\$ 44,912</u>	<u>\$ 37,966</u>	<u>\$ 37,404</u>	<u>\$ 55,739</u>	<u>\$ 54,893</u>
GAAP: Net earnings per common share – diluted	<u>\$ 3.60</u>	<u>\$ 3.05</u>	<u>\$ 3.10</u>	<u>\$ 2.19</u>	<u>\$ 2.16</u>	<u>\$ 4.05</u>	<u>\$ 3.53</u>
Non-GAAP: Net earnings per common share – diluted	<u>\$ 3.95</u>	<u>\$ 3.34</u>	<u>\$ 3.04</u>	<u>\$ 2.35</u>	<u>\$ 2.32</u>	<u>\$ 3.98</u>	<u>\$ 3.88</u>

[1] Amount consists of depreciation and amortization for assets used internally.

[2] Gain on retirement of a liability and class action claims, interest income, and foreign currency transaction gains.

[3] Amounts consists of amortization of intangible assets from acquired businesses.

[4] Tax benefit for the re-measurement of U.S. deferred income tax assets and liabilities at the new corporate tax rate of 21%.

[5] Tax benefit from our blended U.S. federal tax rate decreasing to 31.5%.

# Non-GAAP Financial Information

\$ in thousands, except per share information

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Nine Months Ended December 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Sales of product and services, as reported	\$ 330,953	\$ 317,391	\$ 1,045,792	\$ 968,799
Costs incurred related to sales of third party services	133,152	115,016	403,579	348,389
Adjusted gross billings of product and services	<u>\$ 464,105</u>	<u>\$ 432,407</u>	<u>\$ 1,449,371</u>	<u>\$ 1,317,188</u>
Net earnings	\$ 15,581	\$ 12,620	\$ 46,225	\$ 40,066
Provision for income taxes	678	8,687	19,499	27,310
Depreciation and amortization [1]	2,894	1,910	7,086	5,408
Other (income) expense [2]	131	-	1	(380)
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$ 19,284</u>	<u>\$ 23,217</u>	<u>\$ 72,811</u>	<u>\$ 72,404</u>
Adjusted EBITDA margin	<u>5.6%</u>	<u>7.1%</u>	<u>6.7%</u>	<u>7.3%</u>
GAAP: Earnings before tax	\$ 16,259	\$ 21,307	\$ 65,724	\$ 67,376
Acquisition related amortization expense [3]	1,871	1,035	4,178	3,098
Other (income) expense [2]	131	-	1	(380)
Non-GAAP: Earnings before provision for income taxes	<u>18,261</u>	<u>22,342</u>	<u>69,903</u>	<u>70,094</u>
GAAP: Provision for income taxes	678	8,687	19,499	27,310
Acquisition related amortization expense	547	267	1,421	956
Other (income) expense	55	13	-	(144)
Remeasurement of deferred taxes [4]	3,407	-	3,407	-
Adjustment to FY17 U.S. federal tax rate to 31.5%	-	(2,252)	-	(2,252)
Tax benefit on restricted stock	-	6	1,563	514
Non-GAAP: Provision for income taxes	<u>4,687</u>	<u>6,721</u>	<u>25,890</u>	<u>26,384</u>
Non-GAAP: Net earnings	<u>\$ 13,574</u>	<u>\$ 15,621</u>	<u>\$ 44,013</u>	<u>\$ 43,710</u>
GAAP: Net earnings per common share – diluted	<u>\$ 1.11</u>	<u>\$ 0.91</u>	<u>\$ 3.30</u>	<u>\$ 2.86</u>
Non-GAAP: Net earnings per common share – diluted	<u>\$ 0.97</u>	<u>\$ 1.12</u>	<u>\$ 3.14</u>	<u>\$ 3.12</u>

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[4] Tax benefit for the re-measurement of U.S. deferred income tax assets and liabilities at the new corporate tax rate of 21%.

# Return on Invested Capital

\$ in thousands

	Year Ended March 31,		TTM Ended December 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
<u>Numerator</u>				
Operating income	\$ 85,732	\$ 75,751	\$ 84,461	\$ 83,375
Less: Taxes [1]	(27,006)	(23,862)	(26,605)	(26,263)
Net operating profit after taxes	<u>\$ 58,726</u>	<u>\$ 51,889</u>	<u>\$ 57,856</u>	<u>\$ 57,112</u>
<u>Denominator</u>				
Total non-recourse and recourse notes payable	\$ 37,424	\$ 47,422	\$ 31,489	\$ 53,997
Total stockholders' Equity	345,918	318,878	385,103	333,794
Total invested capital	<u>\$ 383,342</u>	<u>\$ 366,300</u>	<u>\$ 416,592</u>	<u>\$ 387,791</u>
Return on invested capital	<u>15.3%</u>	<u>14.2%</u>	<u>13.9%</u>	<u>14.7%</u>

[1] Based on a normalized statutory U.S. tax rate of 31.5%.



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