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OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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Verint Systems Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

11-3200514

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

175 Broadhollow Road, Melville, New York

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

11747

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (631) 962-9600

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Common Stock, \$.001 par value per share

Name of each exchange on which registered

The NASDAQ Stock Market, LLC
(NASDAQ Global Select Market)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

(Title of Class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.
Yes No

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Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

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The aggregate market value of common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant, based on the closing price for the registrant's common stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter (July 29, 2016) was approximately \$2,172,714,000.

There were 62,418,926 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding on March 15, 2017.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The information required by Part III of this report, to the extent not set forth herein, is incorporated herein by reference from the registrant's definitive proxy statement relating to the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held in 2017, which definitive proxy statement shall be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year to which this report relates.

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Cautionary Note on Forward-Looking Statements

This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, the provisions of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Forward-looking statements include financial projections, statements of plans and objectives for future operations, statements of future economic performance, and statements of assumptions relating thereto. Forward-looking statements may appear throughout this report, including without limitation, Part II, Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and are often identified by future or conditional words such as "will", "plans", "expects", "intends", "believes", "seeks", "estimates", or "anticipates", or by variations of such words or by similar expressions. There can be no assurances that forward-looking statements will be achieved. By their very nature, forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions, and other important factors that could cause our actual results or conditions to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Important risks, uncertainties, assumptions, and other factors that could cause our actual results or conditions to differ materially from our forward-looking statements include, among others:

- uncertainties regarding the impact of general economic conditions in the United States and abroad, particularly in information technology spending and government budgets, on our business;
- risks associated with our ability to keep pace with technological changes, evolving industry standards, and customer challenges, such as the proliferation and strengthening of encryption and the transition of portions of the software market to the cloud, to adapt to changing market potential from area to area within our markets, and to successfully develop, launch, and drive demand for new, innovative, high-quality products that meet or exceed customer needs, while simultaneously preserving our legacy businesses and migrating away from areas of commoditization;
- risks due to aggressive competition in all of our markets, including with respect to maintaining margins and sufficient levels of investment in our business;
- risks created by the continued consolidation of our competitors or the introduction of large competitors in our markets with greater resources than we have;
- risks associated with our ability to successfully compete for, consummate, and implement mergers and acquisitions, including risks associated with valuations, capital constraints, costs and expenses, maintaining profitability levels, expansion into new areas, management distraction, post-acquisition integration activities, and potential asset impairments;
- risks relating to our ability to effectively and efficiently enhance our existing operations and execute on our growth strategy and profitability goals, including managing investments in our business and operations, managing our cloud transition and our revenue mix, and enhancing and securing our internal and external operations;
- risks associated with our ability to effectively and efficiently allocate limited financial and human resources to business, developmental, strategic, or other opportunities, and risk that such investments may not come to fruition or produce satisfactory returns;
- risks that we may be unable to establish and maintain relationships with key resellers, partners, and systems integrators;
- risks associated with our reliance on third-party suppliers, partners, or original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs") for certain components, products, or services, including companies that may compete with us or work with our competitors;
- risks associated with the mishandling or perceived mishandling of sensitive or confidential information and with security vulnerabilities or lapses, including information technology system breaches, failures, or disruptions;
- risks that our products or services, or those of third-party suppliers, partners, or OEMs which we incorporate into our offerings or otherwise rely on, may contain defects or may be vulnerable to cyber-attacks;
- risks associated with our significant international operations, including, among others, in Israel, Europe, and Asia, exposure to regions subject to political or economic instability, fluctuations in foreign exchange rates, and challenges associated with a significant portion of our cash being held overseas;

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- risks associated with a significant amount of our business coming from domestic and foreign government customers, including the ability to maintain security clearances for applicable projects and reputational risks associated with our security solutions;
- risks associated with complex and changing local and foreign regulatory environments in the jurisdictions in which we operate, including, among others, with respect to privacy, information security, trade compliance, anti-corruption, and regulations related to our security solutions;
- risks associated with our ability to retain and recruit qualified personnel in regions in which we operate, including in new markets and growth areas we may enter;
- challenges associated with selling sophisticated solutions, including with respect to educating our customers on the benefits of our solutions or assisting them in realizing such benefits;
- challenges associated with pursuing larger sales opportunities, including with respect to longer sales cycles, transaction reductions, deferrals, or cancellations during the sales cycle, risk of customer concentration, our ability to accurately forecast when a sales opportunity will convert to an order, or to forecast revenue and expenses, and increased volatility of our operating results from period to period;
- risks that our intellectual property rights may not be adequate to protect our business or assets or that others may make claims on our intellectual property or claim infringement on their intellectual property rights;
- risks that our customers or partners delay or cancel orders or are unable to honor contractual commitments due to liquidity issues, challenges in their business, or otherwise;
- risks that we may experience liquidity or working capital issues and related risks that financing sources may be unavailable to us on reasonable terms or at all;
- risks associated with significant leverage resulting from our current debt position or our ability to incur additional debt, including with respect to liquidity considerations, covenant limitations and compliance, fluctuations in interest rates, dilution considerations (with respect to our convertible notes), and our ability to maintain our credit ratings;
- risks arising as a result of contingent or other obligations or liabilities assumed in our acquisition of our former parent company, Comverse Technology, Inc. (“CTI”), or associated with formerly being consolidated with, and part of a consolidated tax group with, CTI, or as a result of CTI's former subsidiary, Xura, Inc. (formerly, Comverse, Inc.) (“Xura”), being unwilling or unable to provide us with certain indemnities or transition services to which we are entitled;
- risks relating to the adequacy of our existing infrastructure, systems, processes, policies, procedures, and personnel and our ability to successfully implement and maintain enhancements to the foregoing and adequate systems and internal controls for our current and future operations and reporting needs, including related risks of financial statement omissions, misstatements, restatements, or filing delays; and
- risks associated with changing accounting principles, tax rates, tax laws and regulations, and the continuing availability of expected tax benefits.

These risks, uncertainties, assumptions, and challenges, as well as other factors, are discussed in greater detail in "Risk Factors" under Item 1A of this report. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which reflect our management's view only as of the date of this report. We make no commitment to revise or update any forward-looking statements in order to reflect events or circumstances after the date any such statement is made, except as otherwise required under the federal securities laws. If we were in any particular instance to update or correct a forward-looking statement, investors and others should not conclude that we would make additional updates or corrections thereafter except as otherwise required under the federal securities laws.

PART I

Item 1. Business

Our Company

Verint® Systems Inc. (together with its consolidated subsidiaries, “Verint”, the “Company”, “we”, “us”, and “our”, unless the context indicates otherwise) is a global leader in Actionable Intelligence® solutions.

Actionable Intelligence is a necessity in a dynamic world of massive information growth because it empowers organizations with crucial insights and enables decision makers to anticipate, respond, and take action. With Verint solutions and value-added services, organizations of all sizes and across many industries can make more informed, timely, and effective decisions. Today, over 10,000 organizations in more than 180 countries, including over 80 percent of the Fortune 100, use Verint solutions to optimize customer engagement and make the world a safer place. Verint delivers its Actionable Intelligence solutions through two operating segments: Customer Engagement Solutions™ and Cyber Intelligence Solutions™.

We have established leadership positions in Actionable Intelligence by developing highly-scalable, enterprise-class software and services with advanced, integrated analytics for both structured and unstructured information. Our innovative solutions are developed by a large research and development (“R&D”) team comprised of approximately 1,400 professionals and backed by more than 800 patents and patent applications worldwide.

To help our customers maximize the benefits of our technology over the solution lifecycle and provide a high degree of flexibility, we offer a broad range of services, such as strategic consulting, managed services, implementation services, training, maintenance, and 24x7 support. Additionally, we offer a broad range of deployment options, including cloud, on-premises, and hybrid, and software licensing and delivery models that include perpetual licenses and software as a service (“SaaS”).

Headquartered in Melville, New York, we support our customers around the globe directly and with an extensive network of selling and support partners.

Company Background

We were incorporated in Delaware in February 1994 and completed our initial public offering (“IPO”) in May 2002. Over the last two decades, we have grown our revenue and expanded our portfolio of Actionable Intelligence solutions through a combination of organic innovation and acquisitions.

Our Actionable Intelligence solutions initially focused on the capture of unstructured data, mainly speech data. Over time, we added capabilities for video, text, and other data types and sources, including the web, social media, and machine data. As the company has grown and achieved scale, we have built domain expertise in two areas: customer engagement and cyber intelligence. These areas have driven the evolution of our focus on Actionable Intelligence solutions.

The two operating segments we have today are Customer Engagement Solutions (“Customer Engagement”) and Cyber Intelligence Solutions (“Cyber Intelligence”). Each operating segment has dedicated management teams, sales and marketing, customer service, and research and development resources with shared back-office services.

Our two operating segments are described in greater detail below and in “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” under Item 7 of this report. See also Note 16, “Segment, Geographic, and Significant Customer Information” to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report for additional information and financial data about each of our operating segments and geographic regions.

Through our website at www.verint.com, we make available our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K, as well as amendments to those reports, filed or furnished by us pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act, free of charge, as soon as reasonably practicable after we file such materials with, or furnish such materials to, the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). Our website address set forth above is not intended to be an active link and information on our website is not incorporated in, and should not be construed to be a part of, this report.

Our Actionable Intelligence Strategy

To address the need for Actionable Intelligence across many use cases in customer engagement and cyber intelligence, we developed an innovative foundation—Verint’s advanced Actionable Intelligence platform. We define our platform as having the following four components:

- **Data Capture**—Our Actionable Intelligence platform enables the capture of a wide range of data, including both structured and unstructured data, such as operational, transactional, network, and web data. Our platform is designed to support big data applications which depend on the ability to capture, store, and manage very large data sets from multiple data sources.
- **Data Processing**—Our Actionable Intelligence platform facilitates the process of taking structured and unstructured data from multiples sources and then cleansing, fusing, and preparing the data for analysis. This data processing stage is particularly important in applications that require data capture and fusion from multiple sources, different systems, and numerous environments.
- **Data Analysis**—Our Actionable Intelligence platform enables the use of a wide range of engines for data analytics, including classification, correlation, anomaly detection, identity extraction, behavioral analysis, and predictive analytics. Big data analysis is a crucial step in identifying critical insights that otherwise might not be intuitive.
- **Data Visualization**—Our Actionable Intelligence platform facilitates the presentation of crucial insights from data to decision makers and the provision of workflow, collaboration, and case management capabilities so they can make more timely and informed decisions. The platform supports many use cases, and the type of data visualization used for delivering actionable insights to users can be optimized based on the specific user environment.

Our strategy is to continue to leverage our Actionable Intelligence platform as a foundation for new analytical solutions to address specific use cases for Customer Engagement and Cyber Intelligence. As noted above, our two operating segments have dedicated domain experts and operational functions focused on understanding the specific requirements of their respective markets and customers, and develop leading Actionable Intelligence solutions that can effectively address the unique needs of their customers.

Customer Engagement Solutions

Overview

Verint is a leading provider of Customer Engagement software and services that can be deployed on-premises or in the cloud. Our solutions help customer-centric organizations optimize customer engagement, increase customer loyalty, and maximize revenue opportunities, while generating operational efficiencies, reducing cost, and mitigating risk. We offer solutions that help organizations empower their customers and employees through intelligence that can be shared enterprise-wide. As a result, organizations are better informed and have greater automation and agility to engage with customers in a highly effective, consistent way. Empowered employees can provide customers with the high-quality, contextual experiences they expect, while generating significant operational efficiencies at the same time. We deploy our solutions globally in a wide range of industries and across an organization’s contact centers, branch and back-office operations, customer experience teams, and digital marketing initiatives. Our Customer Engagement vision is powered by our Actionable Intelligence platform to generate intelligence from structured and unstructured data.

Trends

We believe the key trends driving demand for solutions that optimize Customer Engagement include:

- **Evolving Customer Expectations.** Consumers expect a more personalized, contextual, and consistent customer experience across service channels. Customer service has evolved from traditional call centers and in-store visits, to omnichannel contact centers, or customer engagement centers, that include self-service channels, such as web, voice and mobile self-service, and customer communities; a host of digital communications mediums, such as email, chat, and social media; and the traditional telephone. Today, consumers may select a service channel based on a number of factors, including which channels are available, their experiences with those channels, personal preference, and the type of service issue at hand. Often they use multiple channels for the same service-related issue, and alternate between traditional (voice) and digital (web, social, and mobile) channels based on individual preferences. With multiple engagement channels available and consumers having a preference to have their needs addressed in the first contact, we believe a focus on “ease of doing business” with an organization is becoming increasingly important and can be a key competitive differentiator.

Forward-looking organizations are evolving their customer engagement operations to meet or exceed their customers' expectations, and we believe that Customer Engagement solutions, such as those from Verint, can play an important role in achieving this goal.

- **Evolving Employee Expectations.** Employee expectations are also evolving. Employees want their voices to be heard and their opinions to be taken into account. They want their skills and preferences to be considered and acted upon, and they want to be able to do the right things for their customers. Studies from the industry analyst community have reinforced the impact and importance of an engaged and empowered workforce, finding that when it comes to serving customers, happier, more empowered employees can have a significant impact not only on the customer experience, but also on a company's financial performance. We believe an engaged and empowered employee base can be a significant differentiator for organizations. Customer Engagement solutions, such as those from Verint, can play an important role in helping empower and develop employees, as well as solicit, analyze, and act on their opinions and feedback.
- **Evolving Customer-Centric Organizations.** Customer-centric organizations are increasingly looking to aggregate, analyze, and act on information to improve the customer experience, build customer loyalty, and drive profitability. Today's organizations have a significant amount of structured and unstructured data related to their customers, workforce, and other information that is generated from numerous departments and multiple systems across the enterprise. We believe that these organizations are increasingly seeking customer engagement solutions that allow them to collect and analyze intelligence across multiple engagement channels to gain a better understanding of the performance of their workforces, the effectiveness of their service processes, the quality of their interactions, and changing customer behaviors. When captured, analyzed, and acted upon, organizations can use this Actionable Intelligence to help achieve important strategic objectives, such as empowering staff, enhancing loyalty, gaining a holistic view of operations and effectiveness, driving automation, reducing operational costs, increasing revenue, and mitigating risk.
- **Evolving Requirements for Authentication, Fraud Detection, Risk Management, and Compliance.** Organizations face significant challenges when it comes to safeguarding customers' personal information, investigating fraud, and complying with regulatory and compliance requirements. Many of these risks are fueled by new system vulnerabilities, insider threats, and the rise of sophisticated methods of cyber-attack. For example, in financial services, contact center fraud has driven demand for voice biometrics and predictive analytics solutions that can identify and thwart fraudsters, while quickly authenticating legitimate customers. In financial services, branch and ATM fraud has driven demand for surveillance and analytics tools to support fraud investigations. Financial protection and other regulations—such as the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard—also present tremendous challenges, with the risk of significant financial penalties and remediation efforts for non-compliance. While organizations often have detailed processes/procedures for employees to follow, we believe that many are increasingly seeking Actionable Intelligence to anticipate and prevent breaches, effectively authenticate customers and protect personal information, mitigate risk, investigate and prevent fraud, and help ensure compliance.
- **Adopting Innovative Technology.** We see several trends in the Customer Engagement market resulting from the availability of new technologies. With the evolution of cloud technologies, some customers expect deployment flexibility, such as the ability to deploy solutions on-premises, in the cloud, or in a hybrid fashion. We see greater adoption of cloud solutions in smaller organizations and greater interest in hybrid deployments in larger enterprises. With the evolution of artificial intelligence technologies, we also see interest in greater automation, such as next-generation self-service solutions based on advanced natural language processing and robotic automation. Interest in these solutions is being driven by a desire to reduce the cost of delivering customer service, while at the same time improving customer retention through a faster and high quality self-service experience. Finally, with the evolution of social media, mobile, and other interaction technologies, we see organizations interested in leveraging newer engagement channels to address rapidly-evolving customer preferences.

Strategy

Our strategy is to further enhance our position as a global leader, enabling organizations to partner with Verint to evolve their customer engagement operations based on a holistic approach that includes deep domain expertise and deployment flexibility, as well as a rich portfolio of best-of-breed solutions. Our strategy pillars include:

- **Offering the Broadest and Most Innovative Portfolio of Best-of-Breed Customer Engagement Solutions.** Verint strives to offer the broadest and most innovative portfolio of purpose-built software and supporting services that enhance operational efficiency, reduce cost, improve the customer experience, and drive revenue for contact centers, branch and back office operations, customer experience, and digital marketing. We continue to invest to further expand our portfolio of Customer Engagement solutions.

- **Offering a Holistic Approach to Customer Engagement with the Flexibility to Start Anywhere.** Customer-centric organizations are seeking to evolve their customer engagement operations to address the trends outlined above. Organizations are migrating towards a more holistic approach at different paces, depending on their prior investments, business priorities, and current budgets. Verint’s strategy is to offer our broad portfolio in a highly modular fashion that allows customers to preserve their investments in legacy solutions and start anywhere within the Verint portfolio for maximum flexibility. Many of our customers start with the solution that addresses their most urgent needs, and over time, adopt more solutions from our portfolio.
- **Offering On-Premises, Cloud, and Hybrid Deployment Models with a Broad Range of Value-Added Services.** We believe that customers today are looking for flexible cloud deployment options. To address their varying needs, our Customer Engagement Optimization portfolio has been cloud-enabled, providing customers the ability to deploy our solutions in the way that best meets their objectives, including on-premises, in a private cloud, in a public cloud, or in a hybrid fashion with some solutions deployed on-premises and some in the cloud. In addition, to enable our customers to gain maximum value from our solutions regardless of deployment mode, we offer a broad range of services, including implementation services, consulting services, technical services, and managed services.
- **Partnering With Customer-Centric Organizations to Address Evolving Trends.** We believe that organizations are looking for strategic partners with a broad portfolio and deep domain expertise to help them evolve their customer engagement operations to achieve strategic business goals. Historically, voice/telephony was the dominating channel. Organizations are now looking to add a variety of digital engagement channels (such as web, social, and mobile), as well as assisted service and self-service capabilities. They are also looking to add analytics, automation, and intelligence to power a consistent, contextual, and personalized customer engagement, while reducing operating cost and increasing revenue. To address this opportunity, Verint’s strategy has been to build a broad portfolio of analytics-driven Customer Engagement solutions that enable organizations to implement a holistic approach to customer engagement with greater automation and shared intelligence across applications. We partner with customer-centric organizations to help them protect their legacy investments, while adding new capabilities based on their specific business priorities.

Our Solutions

Verint’s Customer Engagement portfolio is comprised of a large number of discrete solutions for customer engagement optimization. We have developed many integration points across the portfolio but have also kept the design modular to allow customers to choose the sequence and pace of the implementation. Our portfolio can be described across five solution sets:

- Voice of the Customer
- Workforce Optimization
- Employee Engagement
- Engagement Channels
- Security, Fraud, and Compliance

Voice of the Customer:

Organizations are looking to measure and improve their customers’ experiences, satisfaction, and loyalty, which is why Voice of the Customer (VoC) solutions have become a strategic imperative across contact center, customer experience, marketing, and other departments. We offer a complete portfolio for listening, analyzing, and acting on the VoC across all channels (surveys, digital, voice, text, and social), providing a holistic approach to VoC that spans from recording and analyzing customer interactions (“active listening”), to soliciting and analyzing customer feedback (“proactive feedback”) across channels. Holistic VoC implementations help amplify the voice of the customer and create shared intelligence that organizations can leverage to take action and achieve business objectives across the enterprise. Our Voice of the Customer solutions include the following:

| <u>Voice of the Customer Solutions</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| Interaction Analytics | Includes Speech Analytics, Text Analytics, and Social Analytics that proactively identify trends, themes, and the root causes driving customer behavior in order to improve performance, optimize processes, and enhance customer experiences. Provides a fast, smart, accurate solution for automatically categorizing, identifying trends, and performing root cause analysis on voice and text-based communications—including call recordings, survey verbatims, social media posts, email, and customer service chat sessions—according to organizations’ unique objectives and challenges. |
| Enterprise Feedback | Provides an enterprise-class platform to help organizations gain a complete view into the perceptions, opinions, and intentions of their customers and employees through company-initiated surveys delivered via mobile, email, web, IVR, and SMS channels. |
| Digital Feedback | Features an enterprise solution that captures web and mobile customer-initiated feedback during key moments in the digital customer journey, and empowers organizations to analyze and act in real-time on that feedback to deliver demonstrable business value. |

Workforce Optimization:

Workforce Optimization (WFO) drives workforce and operational efficiencies across the contact center, branch, and back-office operations departments, and is a core component of any organization’s customer engagement strategy. Key functional domains, outlined in the chart below, facilitate the recording and assessment of employee performance, combined with the ability to plan, forecast, and schedule staff to help ensure operational service-level targets are met. We are a holistic WFO provider that uniquely delivers tight integration and workflow across these functions and tight integrations to other Customer Engagement Optimization solution sets (including VoC, employee engagement, engagement channels, and security, fraud, and compliance). In addition, we embed analytics within our various WFO solutions including real-time speech analytics, analytics-driven quality, and desktop and process analytics, enabling greater performance and generating Actionable Intelligence across the enterprise.

Our Workforce Optimization solutions include the following:

Workforce Optimization Solutions **Description**

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| Intelligent Recording | Enables full-time, enterprise recording to help ensure compliance, reduce liability, and support customer engagement. Reliably and securely captures, encrypts, indexes, archives, searches, and replays audio, screen, and other methods of interaction from different and mixed recording environments, and couples these capabilities with powerful speech analytics to provide greater value from recorded interactions. |
| Analytics-Driven Quality | Features sophisticated quality management functionality infused with the power of speech analytics, enabling a more strategic approach to QM and performance evaluations. Enables organizations to drive customer-focused quality initiatives by rapidly surfacing the interactions, intelligence, and issues that are of high business value and relevance. |
| Coaching/Learning | Provides a forum for consistent, performance-based mentoring of employees by supervisors and the delivery of training right to the employee desktop. Can be scheduled at the best times for minimal impact on service levels, and to enable employees to engage and improve their skills on-demand. |
| Workforce Management | Enables organizations to efficiently plan, forecast, and schedule employees to meet service level goals. Provides visibility into and a singular management tool for the work, the people, and the processes across customer touchpoints in contact center, branch and back-office operations. |
| Work Allocation | Helps increase productivity, meet service delivery goals, and enhance customer satisfaction by prioritizing the work of individual employees, helping ensure they focus on the right activities at the right time. Provides a practical approach to managing claims processing, loan production, and other blended and back-office functions by prioritizing work items to meet service level agreements (SLAs) based on available employees with the right skills. |
| Desktop and Process Analytics | Provides organizations with visibility into how employees use different systems, applications, and processes to perform their functions. Helps identify opportunities to improve business processes, enhance compliance, and heighten the overall efficiency, cost, and quality of customer service. |
| Robotic Process Automation | Automates repetitive manual processes, allowing employees to focus on more complex and value-added customer-facing activities. Leverages software robots to execute specific tasks or entire multistep processes within a functional area, leading to improved quality and productivity. |
| Performance Management | Serves as a complete, closed-loop solution to manage individual and departmental performance against goals. Provides a comprehensive view of key performance indicators (KPIs) using performance scorecards to report on customer interactions, customer experience trends, and contact center, branch, and back-office staff performance. Leverages scorecards, along with learning, coaching, and gamification, as part of a broader capability. |

Employee Engagement:

Organizations are looking to empower their employees, while satisfying customers. Likewise, employees expect to be engaged in order to effectively execute their companies' strategies. This highlights the importance of having the tools and resources needed to achieve the key components of employee engagement: flexibility, transparency, motivation, mobility, and empowerment. In addition to Workforce Optimization (a subset of Employee Engagement), employees can benefit from knowledge management, advanced desktop tools, and motivational applications, as well as mobile solutions that allow them to leverage their mobile devices for greater productivity. Verint offers a holistic employee engagement portfolio that enables today's organizations to enhance workforce effectiveness and improve employee satisfaction, creating a more engaged and empowered approach to service delivery.

Our Employee Engagement solutions include the following:

| <u>Employee Engagement Solutions</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|---|---|
| Workforce Optimization | Described above |
| Knowledge Management | Provides a central repository of up-to-date information to deliver the right knowledge to users in the contact center and to customers through self-service. Provides answers quickly by searching, browsing, or following guided processes, with personalized results tailored to the customer’s context, while helping organizations increase first contact resolution, improve the consistency and quality of answers, enhance compliance with regulations and company processes, and reduce employee training time. |
| Employee Desktop | Unifies the disparate applications on an employee’s desktop by presenting on one screen all of the contextual customer information, relevant knowledge, and business process guidance that an employee needs for handling interactions in any channel, without having to toggle among numerous screens and applications. |
| Case Management | Allows organizations to automate and rapidly adapt business processes in response to changing market and customer requirements. Tracks the progress of customer and internal issues as they are resolved between various parties in the organization, helping deliver end-to-end case lifecycle management using business rules and SLAs. |
| Internal Communities | Supports employee engagement, collaboration, and enterprise social networking through open and closed micro-communities, peer-to-peer support forums, communications blogs, wikis, activity streams, and online resources. Enables knowledge and best practice sharing in a high-value, low-effort manner, enhancing relationships, productivity, and efficiency. |
| Gamification | Applies game mechanics to energize employee engagement, communicate personal and organizational goals, measure and acknowledge achievements, inspire collaboration, and motivate teams. Delivers KPI-linked programs to transform the process of acquiring, maintaining, and improving the skills, knowledge, and behaviors necessary for employees to enhance quality, customer engagement, sales, and other expertise. |
| Mobile Workforce Apps | Comprises a family of mobile applications, offering anytime, anywhere access to important operational and customer information. Allows employees to access and change schedules and view performance information, and enables the convenient collection of in-the-moment feedback through device-friendly survey formats over the web, email, and SMS, as well as on site in retail stores and sporting venues. |
| Voice of the Employee | Features an enterprise-class platform that enables employees to share their perceptions, opinions, and feedback, while providing organizations with key insights to foster employee engagement, productivity, satisfaction, and retention, as well as optimize the customer experience. |

Engagement Channels:

Verint’s portfolio supports a wide range of engagement channels, such as digital, social, and mobile, with assisted, as well as self-service, capabilities. Our engagement channel approach is based on open access to data and vendor neutrality. Therefore, our engagement channels can be seamlessly deployed into environments that have a combination of legacy or new on-premises or cloud voice infrastructures. We believe this approach provides organizations looking to modernize their customer operations with maximum flexibility to build their next-generation, multi-channel customer engagement strategy. As part of building a modern and open engagement channel strategy, organizations can leverage intelligence generated from other parts of Verint’s portfolio, such as our knowledge management solution, which helps share knowledge across channels and can empower both agents and self-service bots.

Our Engagement Channel solutions include the following:

| <u>Engagement Channel Solutions</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| Web/Mobile Self-Service | Enables customers to self-serve on the web or via their mobile devices, accommodating the preferences of those that prefer to engage with organizations digitally. Unites knowledge management, case management, process management, and channel escalation to enable personalized web and mobile self-service experiences. Features advanced cross-channel messaging, enabling customers to start a digital interaction on one device and continue it on another, as well as seamlessly transition from self-service to live service within a mobile app, mobile web, or web application. |
| Voice Self-Service | Provides speech-enabled voice self-service enhanced by real-time, contextual automation and analytics-driven personalization. Leverages business intelligence to analyze and adapt call flow and the pace of interactions based on caller behavior, and to continually improve performance over time. |
| Customer Communities | Enables organizations to establish and manage online communities on behalf of their customers and partners to support social customer service, digital marketing, and engagement. Fosters self-service, knowledge sharing, collaboration, and networking, through peer-to-peer support forums, communications blogs, and online resources, such as discussion forums, product documentation, and how-to videos. Helps organizations deliver better products faster by sourcing new ideas from customers, partners, and potential buyers. |
| Email/Secure Messaging | Automates the process of capturing, documenting, interpreting, and routing emails, helping organizations respond to customers quickly and consistently. Routes messages to the most appropriate employee based on skills, entitlements, and availability, providing standard templates and responses, a central knowledge base, and unified customer history across channels. Features a secure web portal for customers to send/receive confidential information as needed. |
| Web Chat | Enables employees to help online customers when they need it the most, in real-time. Provides customers with a quick, easy way to communicate with customer service employees via a simple text interface, and helps employees rapidly address needs and decrease the abandonment of online transactions. Guides customers through online processes using chat in conjunction with co-browsing. |
| Co-Browse | Enables employees to strengthen customer relationships by guiding customers to successful completions of their digital journeys. Helps reduce web page abandonment, drive revenue, and deliver better customer experiences by allowing employees to simultaneously browse the same web pages as customers and assist them with completing their transactions. |
| Mobile Messaging | Provides the ability for customers to start an interaction on one device, such as a website on their laptop, pause for a while, and then pick up right where they left off on a smartphone or tablet, minutes, hours, or even days later. Enables “conversations” to persist across devices, over time, all the way from self-service through live assistance. |
| Social Engagement | Collects, analyzes, and reports relevant insights derived from posts and content published to social media sites and messaging services. Reveals intelligence and trends related to sentiment, emerging topics and themes, and locations, enabling organizations to understand the voice of the customer, and giving employees the means and insight they need to respond to and address issues and concerns expressed through these channels. |

Security, Fraud, and Compliance:

Whether consumers choose to engage with humans (e.g., contact center agents and branch tellers) or machines (e.g., self-service voice response, or ATM machines), they expect safe, secure interactions. At the same time, organizations are looking to minimize and investigate fraud, heighten security and safety for customers and employees, and comply with applicable rules and regulations.

Verint solutions help fraud mitigation and investigation as part of an organization’s customer engagement strategy. For example, banking customers use our video and transaction analytics tools to investigate fraud in branch banking. Our voice biometrics software is used to authenticate customers in the voice channel to mitigate fraud, and our analytics solutions are used to identify fraudulent transactions in self-service channels. Verint solutions also help emergency response centers (e.g., 911) ensure quality and timeliness of response, and effectively dispatch first responders.

We provide many security and compliance capabilities embedded in our Customer Engagement Optimization portfolio. These include the encryption of voice recording for maximum data security, compliance that supports the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard in the contact center, and voice/data capture and analytics for trading compliance and other mandates. Our Security, Fraud, and Compliance solutions include the following:

| <u>Security, Fraud, and Compliance Solutions</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|---|--|
| Compliance Recording | Reliably and securely captures, encrypts, archives, searches, and replays interactions for compliance and liability protection. Enables organizations and employees to protect credit card data and personal information (data compliance), adhere to rules for recording and telemarketing practices (communications compliance), and proactively address complaints and help prevent identity theft. |
| Fraud and Identity Analytics | Combines recorder-embedded “passive” voice biometrics technology with multifactor metadata analytics to screen calls against the databases of both customer and known fraudster voiceprints. Offers “upstream fraud detection” functionality to identify suspicious caller behavior within voice self-service interactions, and helps improve experiences by authenticating legitimate customers faster, reducing call handling and fraud-related losses. |
| Trading Compliance | Helps organizations mitigate risk, ensure compliance, enforce regulations, and proactively identify policy breaches by reliably recording and analyzing 100 percent of the voice and text interactions related to trading activities. Helps ensure adherence to company, industry, and government regulations; reduce operational and reputational risk; and save on the cost, time, and resources required for trade surveillance and audits. |
| Branch Surveillance and Investigation | Helps financial institutions, retailers, and other organizations identify security threats and vulnerabilities, mitigate risk, ensure operational compliance, and improve fraud investigations. Offers real-time intelligence and protection, helping enhance the customer experience, while safeguarding people, property, and assets. Features video recording and analytics to heighten protection, improve performance, reduce costs, and provide rapid action/response when required. |
| Public Safety Compliance | Allows emergency services first responders (e.g., police, fire departments, emergency medical services) to rapidly capture, analyze, manage, and act on public safety data. Improves emergency preparedness and response, addresses evolving challenges and threats, reduces liability and risk, and makes the most of budgets and staff. Includes incident investigation, evidence preparation, and compliance audit trail capabilities. |

Cyber Intelligence Solutions

Overview

Verint is a leading provider of security and intelligence data mining software. Our solutions are used for a wide range of applications, including predictive intelligence, advanced and complex investigations, security threat analysis, and electronic data and physical assets protection, as well as for generating legal evidence and preventing criminal activity and terrorism. We deploy our solutions, including software, hardware, and services, globally for governments, critical infrastructure providers and

enterprise customers. Our vision for security and intelligence data mining solutions is powered by our Actionable Intelligence platform to generate intelligence and insights from structured and unstructured data.

Trends

We believe that the key trends driving demand for security and intelligence data mining solutions include:

- **Security Threats Remain Pervasive Globally, and Preventing Crime and Terrorism Is Becoming More Complex.** Governments, critical infrastructure providers, and enterprises face ongoing security threats from criminal and terrorist organizations, foreign governments, and other groups and individuals looking to do harm. Increasingly, these security threats come from well-organized and well-funded operations utilizing highly sophisticated methods and technologies. As a result, detecting, investigating, and responding to security threats is becoming more complex. Security and intelligence organizations responsible for addressing these increasingly sophisticated threats are seeking advanced data mining solutions to help them generate Actionable Intelligence. Such solutions often involve collecting, fusing, and analyzing structured and unstructured data from multiple sources, including from cyber space and a variety of other data and communications networks. We believe that the increasing complexity and technological challenges related to preventing crime and terror will drive customer demand for greater intelligence and for data mining solutions such as ours.
- **Security Organizations Face Competing Budget Priorities and a Global Shortage of Qualified Intelligence Analysts and Data Scientists.** Security organizations are seeking sophisticated technology to help combat crime and terror. While security threats are becoming more complex, security spending competes with other spending priorities. Organizations need to employ a large number of intelligence analysts and data scientists to meet the increasing complexity of an ever-growing number of security threats. Even with adequate budgets, there is a shortage of such qualified personnel globally, leading to elongated investigations and increased risk that security threats are not addressed. We believe that competing budget priorities and the shortage of qualified personnel have made security and intelligence data mining solutions critical, as they provide customers with automation, drive operational efficiencies, and improve the quality and speed of investigations.
- **Security Organizations Seek To Partner With Vendors That Can Bring Both Sophisticated Data Mining Software and Deep Domain Expertise.** Security operations involve people, processes, and technology, including data mining software. To facilitate the effective deployment of data mining solutions, in many cases security organizations seek to partner with vendors that can also offer relevant domain expertise and can deliver turnkey solutions. We believe that security and intelligence data mining solutions that incorporate domain expertise with advanced analytical technologies better enable customers to achieve their objectives of generating Actionable Intelligence and of accelerating investigations without major budget increases or the need to employ large numbers of data scientists and security analysts. We also believe that customers seek turnkey solutions that address their specific requirements and that are better aligned with their strategic needs and financial constraints, rather than unspecialized data analysis software that often requires expensive customizations and managed services.

Strategy

Our objective is to be the global leader in security and intelligence data mining software. The key elements of our growth strategy include:

- **Extending Our Market Leadership and Increasing Our Total Addressable Market (“TAM”) by Expanding Our Portfolio of Data Mining Solutions to Address Evolving Security Threats.** Verint has a long history of working closely with leading security organizations around the world and has created a strong security and intelligence data mining solution portfolio based on a deep understanding of our customers’ needs. We are well positioned to expand existing customer relationships, win new customers, and continue to grow our portfolio to address evolving security threats. Historically, most of our Cyber Intelligence revenue has been generated from government customers. We see an opportunity to increase our TAM over time by leveraging our strong government experience to introduce new security and intelligence data mining solutions and domain expertise to critical infrastructure providers and enterprises that face complex security threats.
- **Delivering Advanced Data Mining Solutions with Deep Domain Expertise to Improve the Velocity and Effectiveness of Our Customers’ Security Operations.** Recognizing that security organizations face many evolving threats, while at the same time experiencing financial constraints and a shortage of intelligence analysts and data scientists, our strategy is to bring to market security and intelligence data mining solutions that can address specific customer needs. The design of our solutions is based on our deep knowledge of customers’ operational needs and advanced analytical technologies in the areas of artificial intelligence, machine learning, predictive analytics, and

visualization, with the goal of automating the intelligence process and reducing dependency on intelligence analysts and data scientists. We believe this approach enables our customers to gain Actionable Intelligence quickly and efficiently with higher quality and a lower total cost of ownership.

- **Partnering with our Customers and Offering Flexible Deployment Models.** We are a strategic partner to our customers, providing them with security and intelligence data mining solutions to help address security threats and ensure the long-term success of their mission. Our strategy is to offer customers multiple options to deploy our solutions, including working directly with us in a turnkey project or indirectly through systems integrators. Many of our customers choose Verint to deploy turnkey projects that include software, hardware, and services (including from third-party vendors), while other customers choose to implement our security and intelligence data mining software in conjunction with hardware and services provided by others. Regardless of how customers deploy our solutions, we are constantly working to enhance our products and services to help them stay ahead of evolving security threats.

Our Solutions

Verint offers a broad range of security and intelligence data mining solutions, including:

| <u>Solutions</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|--------------------------------|--|
| National Security | National security agencies are mandated to prevent terrorism, collect intelligence, and investigate national security threats. Verint’s National Security data mining solution enables governments around the world to generate Actionable Intelligence by collecting, correlating, and analyzing a wide range of structured and unstructured data from multiple sources to identify and prevent potential threats. |
| Law Enforcement | Law enforcement agencies are mandated to fight a wide range of criminal activity, such as arson, drug trafficking, homicides, human trafficking, identity theft, kidnapping, anti-poaching, illegal immigration, financial crimes, and other organized crimes. Verint’s Law Enforcement evidence collection data mining and investigation solution provides critical intelligence to advance complex investigations for a wide array of crimes. |
| Cyber Security | Governments, critical infrastructure organizations, and enterprises are facing attacks from sophisticated malware. Due to the increased sophistication of these attacks they are becoming more difficult to detect, prevent, and investigate. Verint’s data mining cyber security solution helps organizations collect network, end-point, and other information from multiple sources and apply analytics in order to prioritize responses to attacks, automate part of the investigation process to reduce dependency on cyber analysts and data scientists, and reduce the critical time from detection to remediation. |
| Critical Infrastructure | Critical infrastructure providers are mandated to protect sensitive assets, such as airports, bridges, electrical grids, pipelines, ports, nuclear power plants, water supplies, and government facilities. Given the large size of these types of assets, critical infrastructure providers seek solutions to help them detect and respond to threats efficiently and across large distances. Verint’s Critical Infrastructure security and intelligence data mining solution combines and analyzes data from a range of sensors and other systems to provide Actionable Intelligence to security personal, allowing them to centrally monitor and respond to security threats. |
| Enterprise Security | Enterprises with significant risk of data loss, intellectual property theft, financial fraud, or other security risks are interested in data mining solutions to help mitigate such risks. For example, Verint’s Enterprise Security data mining solution has been deployed by a global pharmaceutical company to mine the open source web for counterfeit drugs that may infringe on their patent-protected pharmaceutical products. Verint’s Enterprise Security data mining solution has also been deployed by a large retail company to mine data captured in stores to help investigate and mitigate fraud. |

**Telecommunications Lawful
Interception Compliance**

Telecommunication carriers are mandated to comply with certain government regulations requiring them to assist the government in their evidence and intelligence collection process. This can involve collecting information from a wide range of sources across disparate networks. Verint's Telecommunication Lawful Interception Compliance solution helps telecommunication providers comply efficiently and adequately with these regulations.

Border Control

Governments are mandated to monitor and regulate borders to control the movement of people and goods into and out of a country. Borders can be very large and impossible to monitor with people alone. As a result, border control agencies seek physical security technologies, as well as intelligence gathering technologies, to adequately protect borders. Verint's Border Control solution leverages data mining of machine data, telecommunications, social data, and enterprise systems to identify suspicious behavior, and help investigate and prevent border control incidents.

Correctional Facilities

Correctional agencies are mandated to safely detain criminals in low, medium, and high security facilities. They are also required to ensure that criminals do not continue to conduct illegal activities from inside prisons. Verint's Correctional Facilities solution assists prison monitoring through situational awareness and intelligence gathering capabilities to enhance physical security and help identify illegal activities from inside the prison.

Our data mining solutions for security and intelligence listed above are delivered using a product, or several products implemented together, from our Cyber Intelligence portfolio described below:

| <u>Solutions</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| Network Intelligence Suite | Verint's Network Intelligence Suite generates insights and intelligence by rapidly uncovering critical information from network traffic. The Network Intelligence suite can address a wide range of communications networks and can scale to capture and analyze massive volumes of communications traffic. |
| Threat Protection System (TPS) | Verint's TPS integrates multiple advanced detection engines and provides unified workflows for investigation, behavioral analytics, and forensics that analyze cyber-attack paths, enable remediation, and help protect against future attempts. Its orchestration and automation capabilities reduce the need for labor-intensive manual processes and help shorten the period of time between malware detection and remediation. |
| Situational Awareness Platform | Verint's Situational Intelligence Platform integrates data from multiple systems and sensors, such as access control, video, intrusion, fire, public safety, weather, traffic, first responder, and other mobile device systems. It provides a unified visualization layer and workflow, enabling organizations to fuse, analyze, and report information, and take action on risks, alarms, and incidents across business and security systems. Situational awareness helps identify and mitigate risks, improve response times, increase operational effectiveness, and reduce total cost of ownership. |
| Intelligence Fusion Center (IFC) | Verint's Intelligence Fusion Center provides organizations with a centralized data mining platform for creating insights, identifying potential threats, and generating predictive intelligence. It enables a cross-source/cross-format single point of access to intelligence data sources to facilitate organization-wide investigation, management, and analysis. In addition to the fusion of data generated by Verint's products, it provides capabilities to connect structured and unstructured data originating from customer-provided databases and other sources. |
| Web and Social Intelligence | Verint's Web and Social Intelligence solution helps transform large volumes of web and open source content into insights, identify suspicious behavioral patterns, and generate predictive intelligence. |

Customer Services

We offer a range of customer services, including implementation and training, consulting and managed services, and maintenance support, to help our customers maximize their return on investment in our solutions.

Implementation and Training

Our solutions are implemented by our service organizations, authorized partners, resellers, or customers. Our implementation services include project management, system installation, and commissioning, including integrating our solutions with our customers' environments and third-party solutions. Our training programs are designed to enable our customers to use our solutions effectively and to certify our partners to sell, install, and support our solutions. Customer and partner training is provided at the customer site, at our training centers around the world, and/or remotely online.

Consulting

Our management consulting capabilities include business strategy, process excellence, performance management, and project and program management, and are designed to help our customers maximize the value of our solutions in their own environments.

Managed Services

We also offer a range of managed services to help our customers manage their customer service operations. Our managed services are designed to help customers effectively maximize business insights and also enable us to create strong relationships with our customers. Our managed services are recurring in nature and can be delivered in conjunction with Verint's technology or on a standalone basis.

Maintenance Support

We offer a range of customer maintenance support plans to our customers and resellers, which may include phone, web, and email access to technical personnel up to 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week. Our support programs are designed to help ensure long-term, successful use of our solutions. We believe that customer support is critical to retaining and expanding our customer base. Our Customer Engagement solutions are generally sold with a warranty of one year for hardware and 90 days for software. Our Cyber Intelligence solutions, and certain of our Customer Engagement solutions, are sold with warranties that typically range from 90 days to three years and, in some cases, longer. In addition, customers are typically provided the option to purchase maintenance plans that provide a range of services, such as telephone support, advanced replacement, upgrades when and if available, and on-site repair or replacement. Currently, the majority of our maintenance revenue is related to our Customer Engagement solutions.

Direct and Indirect Sales

We sell our solutions through our direct sales teams and indirect channels, including distributors, systems integrators, value-added resellers (“VARs”), and OEM partners. Approximately half of our overall sales are made through partners, distributors, resellers, and system integrators.

Each of our solutions is sold by trained, dedicated, regionally-organized direct and indirect sales teams. Our direct sales teams are focused on large and mid-sized customers and, in many cases, co-sell with our other channels and sales agents. Our indirect sales teams are focused on developing and supporting relationships with our indirect channels, which provide us with broader market coverage, including access to their customer bases, integration services, and presence in certain geographies and vertical markets. Our sales teams are supported by business consultants, solutions specialists, and pre-sales engineers who, during the sales process, help determine customer requirements and develop technical responses to those requirements. We sell directly and indirectly in both of our segments. See “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business—Competition, Markets, and Operations—If we are unable to establish and maintain our relationships with third parties that market and sell our products, our business and ability to grow could be materially adversely affected” under Item 1A of this report for a more detailed discussion of certain sales and distribution risks that we face.

Customers

Our solutions are used by over 10,000 organizations in more than 180 countries. In the year ended January 31, 2017, we derived approximately 66% and 34% of our revenue from the sale of our Customer Engagement and Cyber Intelligence solutions, respectively. In the year ended January 31, 2016, we derived approximately 61% and 39% of our revenue from the sale of our Customer Engagement and Cyber Intelligence solutions, respectively. In the year ended January 31, 2015, we derived approximately 63% and 37% of our revenue from the sale of our Customer Engagement and Cyber Intelligence solutions, respectively. We are party to contracts with customers in both of our segments, the loss of which could have a material adverse effect on the segment.

In the year ended January 31, 2017, we derived approximately 54%, 30%, and 16% of our revenue from sales to end users in the Americas, in Europe, the Middle East and Africa (“EMEA”), and in the Asia-Pacific (“APAC”) regions, respectively. In the year ended January 31, 2016, we derived approximately 51%, 31%, and 18% of our revenue from sales to end users in the Americas, EMEA, and APAC, respectively. In the year ended January 31, 2015, we derived approximately 52%, 31%, and 17% of our revenue from sales to end users in the Americas, EMEA, and APAC, respectively. See also Note 16, “Segment, Geographic, and Significant Customer Information” to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report for additional information and financial data about each of our operating segments and geographic regions.

For the year ended January 31, 2017, approximately one third of our business was generated from contracts with various governments around the world, including local, regional, and national government agencies. Due to the unique nature of the terms and conditions associated with government contracts generally, our government contracts may be subject to renegotiation or termination at the election of the government customer. Some of our customer engagements require us to have security credentials or to participate in projects through an approved legal entity.

Seasonality and Cyclicity

As is typical for many software and technology companies, our business is subject to seasonal and cyclical factors. In most years, our revenue and operating income are typically highest in the fourth quarter and lowest in the first quarter (prior to the impact of unusual or nonrecurring items). Moreover, revenue and operating income in the first quarter of a new year may be lower than in the fourth quarter of the preceding year, in some years, potentially by a significant margin. In addition, we

generally receive a higher volume of orders in the last month of a quarter, with orders concentrated in the later part of that month. We believe that these seasonal and cyclical factors primarily reflect customer spending patterns and budget cycles, as well as the impact of compensation incentive plans for our sales personnel. While seasonal and cyclical factors such as these are common in the software and technology industry, this pattern should not be considered a reliable indicator of our future revenue or financial performance. Many other factors, including general economic conditions, also have an impact on our business and financial results. See “Risk Factors” under Item 1A of this report for a more detailed discussion of factors which may affect our business and financial results.

Research and Development

We continue to enhance the features and performance of our existing solutions and to introduce new solutions through extensive R&D activities, including the development of new solutions, the addition of capabilities to existing solutions, quality assurance, and advanced technical support for our customer services organization. In certain instances, primarily in our Cyber Intelligence segment, we may tailor our products to meet the particular requirements of our customers. R&D is performed primarily in the United States, Israel, the United Kingdom, Ireland, the Netherlands, and Indonesia for our Customer Engagement segment; and in Israel, Germany, Brazil, Cyprus, Taiwan, the Netherlands, and Bulgaria for our Cyber Intelligence segment.

To support our research and development efforts, we make significant investments in R&D every year. In the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, we spent approximately \$171.1 million, \$177.7 million, and \$173.7 million, respectively, on R&D, net. We allocate our R&D resources in response to market research and customer demand for additional features and solutions. Our development strategy involves rolling out initial releases of our products and adding features over time. We incorporate product feedback received from our customers into our product development process. While the majority of our products are developed internally, in some cases, we also acquire or license technologies, products, and applications from third parties based on timing and cost considerations. See “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business—Competition, Markets, and Operations—For certain products, components, or services, we rely on third-party suppliers, manufacturers, and partners and if these relationships are interrupted, we may not be able to obtain substitute suppliers, manufacturers, or partners on favorable terms or at all and we may be subject to other adverse effects” under Item 1A of this report.

As noted above, a significant portion of our R&D operations is located outside the United States. We have derived benefits from participation in certain government-sponsored programs, including those of the Israeli Innovation Authority (“IAA”), formerly the Office of the Chief Scientist (“OCS”), and in other jurisdictions for the support of R&D activities conducted in those locations. In the case of Israel, the Israeli law under which our IAA grants are made limits our ability to manufacture products, or transfer technologies, developed using these grants outside of Israel without permission from the IAA. See “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business—Competition, Markets, and Operations—Because we have significant foreign operations and business, we are subject to geopolitical and other risks that could materially adversely affect our results” and “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business—Competition, Markets, and Operations—Conditions in and our relationship to Israel may materially adversely affect our operations and personnel and may limit our ability to produce and sell our products or engage in certain transactions” under Item 1A of this report for a discussion of certain risks associated with our foreign operations.

Manufacturing, Suppliers, and Service Providers

While Verint is focused on developing enterprise software to accommodate customers’ desire for turnkey solutions, we will deliver solutions that incorporate third-party hardware components. This applies mainly to our Cyber Intelligence segment, as the majority of the solutions from our Customer Engagement segment are comprised of software and do not incorporate hardware components. We utilize both unaffiliated manufacturing subcontractors, as well as our internal operations, to produce, assemble, and deliver solutions incorporating hardware components. These internal operations consist primarily of installing our software on externally purchased hardware components, final assembly, repair, and testing, which involves the application of extensive quality control procedures to materials, components, subassemblies, and systems. We also perform system integration functions prior to shipping turnkey solutions to our customers. Our internal operations are performed primarily in our German, Israeli, and Cypriot facilities for solutions in our Cyber Intelligence segment, and in our U.S. facility for certain solutions in our Customer Engagement segment. Although we have occasionally experienced delays and shortages in the supply of proprietary components in the past, we have, to date, been able to obtain adequate supplies of all components in a timely manner from alternative sources, when necessary. We also rely on third parties to provide certain services to us or to our customers, including hosting providers and providers of other cloud-based services. See “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business—Competition, Markets, and Operations—For certain products, components, or services, we rely on third-party suppliers, manufacturers, and partners, and if these relationships are interrupted we may not be able to obtain substitute

suppliers, manufacturers, or partners on favorable terms or at all and we may be subject to other adverse effects” under Item 1A of this report for a discussion of risks associated with our manufacturing operations and suppliers.

Employees

As of January 31, 2017, we employed approximately 5,100 professionals, including certain contractors, with approximately 44%, 21%, 23%, and 12% of our employees and contractors located in the Americas, Israel, EMEA (excluding Israel), and APAC, respectively.

We consider our relationship with our employees to be good and a critical factor in our success. Our employees in the United States are not covered by any collective bargaining agreements. In some cases, our employees outside the United States are automatically subject to certain protections negotiated by organized labor in those countries directly with the government or trade unions, or are automatically entitled to severance or other benefits mandated under local laws. For example, while we are not a party to any collective bargaining or other agreement with any labor organization in Israel, certain provisions of the collective bargaining agreements between the Histadrut (General Federation of Laborers in Israel) and the Coordinating Bureau of Economic Organizations (including the Manufacturers’ Association of Israel) are applicable to our Israeli employees by virtue of expansion orders of the Israeli Ministry of Industry, Trade and Labor.

Intellectual Property Rights

General

Our success depends to a significant degree on the legal protection of our software and other proprietary technology. We rely on a combination of patent, trade secret, copyright, and trademark laws, and confidentiality and non-disclosure agreements with employees and third parties to establish and protect our proprietary rights.

Patents

As of January 31, 2017, we had more than 800 patents and patent applications worldwide, including more than 130 patent issuances or allowances during the past year. We have accumulated a significant amount of proprietary know-how and expertise in developing Actionable Intelligence solutions. We regularly review new areas of technology related to our businesses to determine whether they can and should be patented.

Licenses

While we employ many of our innovations exclusively in our products and services, we also engage in outbound and inbound licensing of specific patented technologies. Our licenses are designed to prohibit unauthorized use, copying, and disclosure of our software technology. When we license our software to customers, we require license agreements containing restrictions and confidentiality terms customary in the industry in order to protect our proprietary rights in the software. These agreements generally warrant that the software and propriety hardware will materially comply with written documentation and assert that we own or have sufficient rights in the software we distribute and have not violated the intellectual property rights of others. We license our products in a format that does not permit users to change the software code. See “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business—Competition, Markets, and Operations—For certain products, components, or services, we rely on third-party suppliers, manufacturers, and partners, and if these relationships are interrupted we may not be able to obtain substitute suppliers, manufacturers, or partners on favorable terms or at all and we may be subject to other adverse effects” under Item 1A of this report.

We license certain software, technology, and related rights for use in the manufacture and marketing of our products and pay royalties to third parties under such licenses and other agreements. While it may be necessary in the future to seek or renew licenses relating to various aspects of our products, we believe, based on industry practice, such licenses generally can be obtained on commercially reasonable terms.

Trademarks and Service Marks

We use various trademarks and service marks to protect the marks used in our business. We also claim common law protections for other marks we use in our business. Competitors and other companies could adopt similar marks or try to prevent us from using our marks, consequently impeding our ability to build brand identity and possibly leading to customer confusion. See “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business—Information/Product Security and Intellectual Property—Our intellectual property may not be adequately protected” under Item 1A of this report for a more detailed discussion regarding the risks associated with the protection of our intellectual property.

Competition

We face strong competition in all of our markets, and we expect that competition will persist and intensify.

In our Customer Engagement segment, our competitors include Aspect Software, Inc., eGain Corporation, Genesys Telecommunications, Medallia Inc., NICE Systems Ltd., Pegasystems Inc., and divisions of larger companies, including Microsoft Corporation, Oracle Corporation, and Salesforce.com, Inc., along with many smaller companies, which can vary across regions. In our Cyber Intelligence segment, our competitors include BAE Systems plc, Cyberbit Ltd. (a subsidiary of Elbit Systems Ltd.), FireEye, Inc., IBM Corporation, JSI Telecom, Palantir Technologies, Inc., and Rohde & Schwarz GmbH & Co. KG, along with a number of smaller companies and divisions of larger companies that compete with us in certain regions or only with respect to portions of our product portfolio, and many smaller companies, which can vary across regions.

In each of our operating segments, we believe that we compete principally on the basis of:

- Product performance and functionality;
- Product quality and reliability;
- Breadth of product portfolio and pre-defined integrations;
- Global presence and high-quality customer service and support;
- Specific industry knowledge, vision, and experience; and
- Price.

We believe that our competitive success depends primarily on our ability to provide technologically advanced and cost-effective solutions and services. Some of our competitors have superior brand recognition and significantly greater financial or other resources than we do. We expect that competition will increase as other established and emerging companies enter our markets or we enter theirs, and as new products, services, technologies, and delivery methods are introduced, such as SaaS. In addition, consolidation is common in our markets and has in the past and may in the future improve the position of our competitors. See “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business—Competition, Markets, and Operations—Intense competition in our markets and competitors with greater resources than us may limit our market share, profitability, and growth” under Item 1A of this report for a more detailed discussion of the competitive risks we face.

Export Regulations

We and our subsidiaries are subject to applicable export control regulations in countries from which we export goods and services. These controls may apply by virtue of the country in which the products are located or by virtue of the origin of the content contained in the products. If the controls of a particular country apply, the level of control generally depends on the nature of the goods and services in question. For example, our Cyber Intelligence solutions tend to be more highly controlled than our Customer Engagement solutions. Where controls apply, the export of our products generally requires an export license or authorization or that the transaction qualify for a license exception or the equivalent, and may also be subject to corresponding reporting requirements.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Many of the factors that affect our business and operations involve risks and uncertainties. The factors described below are risks that could materially harm our business, financial condition, and results of operations. These are not all the risks we face and other factors currently considered immaterial or unknown to us may have a material adverse impact on our future operations.

Risks Related to Our Business

Competition, Markets, and Operations

Our business is impacted by changes in general economic conditions and information technology and government spending in particular.

Our business is subject to risks arising from adverse changes in domestic and global economic conditions. Slowdowns, recessions, economic instability, political unrest, armed conflicts, or natural disasters around the world may cause companies and governments to delay, reduce, or even cancel planned spending. In particular, declines in information technology spending

and limited or reduced government budgets have affected the markets for our solutions in both the Customer Engagement market and the Cyber Intelligence market in certain periods and in certain regions. For the year ended January 31, 2017, approximately one third of our business was generated from contracts with various governments around the world, including national, regional, and local government agencies. We expect that government contracts will continue to be a significant source of our revenue for the foreseeable future. Customers or partners who are facing business challenges, reduced budgets, or liquidity issues are also more likely to defer purchase decisions or cancel or reduce orders, as well as to delay or default on payments. If customers or partners significantly reduce their spending with us or significantly delay or fail to make payments to us, our business, results of operations, and financial condition would be materially adversely affected.

The industry in which we operate is characterized by rapid technological changes, evolving industry standards and challenges, and changing market potential from area to area, and if we cannot anticipate and react to such changes our results may suffer.

The markets for our products are characterized by rapidly changing technology and evolving industry standards and challenges. The introduction of products embodying new technology, new delivery platforms such as SaaS, managed services, or other cloud-based solutions, the commoditization of older technologies, and the emergence of new industry standards and technological hurdles can exert pricing pressure on existing products and services and/or render them unmarketable or obsolete. For example, in our Cyber Intelligence business, stronger and more frequent use of encryption has created significantly greater challenges for our customers and for our solutions to address. In our Customer Engagement business, we see increased interest in cloud-based solutions as well as pricing pressure on legacy products. Moreover, the market potential and growth rates of the markets we serve are not uniform and are evolving. It is critical to our success that we are able to anticipate and respond to changes in technology and industry standards and new customer challenges by consistently developing new, innovative, high-quality products and services that meet or exceed the changing needs of our customers. We must also successfully identify, enter, and appropriately prioritize areas of growing market potential, including by launching, successfully executing, and driving demand for new and enhanced solutions and services, while simultaneously preserving our legacy businesses and migrating away from areas of commoditization. If we are unable to execute on these strategic priorities, we may lose market share or experience slower growth, and our profitability and other results of operations may be materially adversely affected.

Intense competition in our markets and competitors with greater resources than us may limit our market share, profitability, and growth.

We face aggressive competition from numerous and varied competitors in all of our markets, making it difficult to maintain market share, remain profitable, invest, and grow. We are also encountering new competitors as we expand into new markets or new competitors expand into ours. Our competitors may be able to more quickly develop or adapt to new or emerging technologies, better respond to changes in customer needs or preferences, better identify and enter into new areas of growth, or devote greater resources to the development, promotion, and sale of their products. Some of our competitors have, in relation to us, longer operating histories, larger customer bases, longer standing relationships with customers, superior brand recognition, superior margins, and significantly greater financial, technical, marketing, customer service, public relations, distribution, or other resources, especially in new markets we may enter. Consolidation among our competitors may also improve their competitive position. We also face competition from solutions developed internally by our customers or partners. To the extent that we cannot compete effectively, our market share and, therefore, results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

Because price and related terms are key considerations for many of our customers, we may have to accept less-favorable payment terms, lower the prices of our products and services, and/or reduce our cost structure, including reducing headcount or investment in R&D, in order to remain competitive. If we are forced to take these kinds of actions to remain competitive in the short-term, such actions may adversely impact our ability to execute and compete in the long-term.

Our future success depends on our ability to enhance our existing operations, execute on our growth strategy, and properly manage investment in our business and operations.

A key element of our long-term strategy is to continue to invest in, enhance, and secure our business and operations and grow, both organically and through acquisitions. Investments in, among other things, new markets, new products, solutions, and technologies, R&D, infrastructure and systems, geographic expansion, and headcount are critical components in achieving this strategy. However, such investments and efforts may not be successful, especially in new areas or new markets in which we have little or no experience, and even if successful, may negatively impact our short-term profitability. Our success depends on our ability to effectively and efficiently enhance our existing operations and execute on our growth strategy, including our ability to properly allocate limited investment dollars, balance the extent and timing of investments with the associated impact on expenses and profitability, balance our focus between new areas or new markets and the operation and servicing of our legacy businesses and customers, capture efficiencies and economies of scale, and compete in the new areas or new markets and with the new solutions in which we have invested. Moreover, our existing infrastructure, systems, processes, and personnel may not be adequate for our current or future needs. For example, we are currently in the process of upgrading our enterprise resource planning system as well as introducing a new revenue recognition system. These implementations are complex, time-consuming, and expensive and we cannot assure you that we will not experience problems during or following such implementations, including among others, potential disruptions in our ability to report accurate and timely financial results. If we are unable to effectively and efficiently enhance our existing operations, execute on our growth strategy, and properly manage our investments, focus, and expenditures, our results of operations and market share may be materially adversely affected.

We may not be able to identify suitable targets for acquisition or investment, or complete acquisitions or investments on terms acceptable to us, which could negatively impact our ability to implement our growth strategy.

As part of our long-term growth strategy, we have made a number of acquisitions and investments and expect to continue to make acquisitions and investments in the future, subject to the terms of our senior credit agreement (the "Credit Agreement"), the indenture governing our 1.50% convertible senior notes due June 1, 2021 (the "Notes"), and other restrictions.

In many areas, we have seen the market for acquisitions become more competitive and valuations increase. Our competitors also continue to make acquisitions in or adjacent to our markets. As a result, it may be more difficult for us to identify suitable acquisition or investment targets or to consummate acquisitions or investments once identified on acceptable terms or at all. If we are not able to execute on our acquisition strategy, we may not be able to achieve our long-term growth strategy, may lose market share, or may lose our leadership position in one or more of our markets.

Our acquisition and investment activity presents certain risks to our business, operations, and financial position.

Acquisitions and investments are an important part of our strategy. Successful execution of a transaction, including the process of integrating an acquired company's business following the closing of an acquisition or investment, is paramount to achieving the anticipated benefits of the transaction. If we are unable to execute successfully, we may experience both a loss on the investment and damage to our legacy business and valuation.

The process of integrating an acquired company's business into our operations and investing in new technologies is challenging and may result in expected or unexpected operating or compliance challenges, which may require significant expenditures and a significant amount of our management's attention that would otherwise be focused on the ongoing operation of our business. The potential difficulties or risks of integrating an acquired company's business include, among others:

- the effect of the acquisition on our financial and strategic positions and our reputation;
- risk that we fail to successfully implement our business plan for the combined business, including plans to accelerate growth;
- risk that we are unable to obtain the anticipated benefits of the acquisition, including synergies or economies of scale;
- risk that the market does not accept the integrated product portfolio;
- challenges in reconciling business practices or in integrating product development activities, logistics, or information technology and other systems;

- retention risk with respect to key customers, suppliers, and employees and challenges in assimilating and training new employees;
- challenges in complying with newly applicable laws and regulations, including obtaining or retaining required approvals, licenses, and permits; and
- potential impact on our internal controls over financial reporting.

Acquisitions and/or investments may also result in potentially dilutive issuances of equity securities, the incurrence of debt and contingent liabilities, the expenditure of available cash, and amortization expenses or write-downs related to intangible assets such as goodwill, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results or financial condition.

Investments in immature businesses with unproven track records and technologies have an especially high degree of risk, with the possibility that we may lose our entire investment or incur unexpected liabilities. Transactions that are not immediately accretive to earnings may make it more difficult for us to maintain satisfactory profitability levels or compliance with the maximum leverage ratio covenant under the revolving credit facility under our Credit Agreement. Large or costly acquisitions or investments may also diminish our capital resources and liquidity or limit our ability to engage in additional transactions for a period of time.

All of the foregoing risks may be magnified as the cost, size, or complexity of an acquisition or acquired company increases, where the acquired company's products, market, or business are materially different from ours, or where more than one transaction or integration is occurring simultaneously or within a concentrated period of time. There can be no assurance that we will be successful in making additional acquisitions in the future or in integrating or executing on our business plan for existing or future acquisitions.

Sales opportunities and sales processes for sophisticated solutions like ours present significant challenges.

We offer our customers a broad solution portfolio with the flexibility to purchase a single point solution, which can be expanded over time, or a larger more comprehensive system. Regardless of the size of a customer's purchase, many of our solutions are sophisticated and may represent a significant investment for the customer. As a result, our sales cycles can range in duration from as little as a few weeks to more than a year. Our larger sales typically require a minimum of a few months to consummate. As the length or complexity of a sales process increases, so does the risk of successfully closing the sale. Larger sales are often made by competitive bid, which also increases the time and uncertainty associated with such opportunities. Customers may also require education on the value and functionality of our solutions as part of the sales process, further extending the time frame and uncertainty of the process.

Longer sales cycles, competitive bid processes, and the need to educate customers means that:

- There is greater risk of customers deferring, scaling back, or cancelling sales as a result of, among other things, their receipt of a competitive proposal, changes in budgets and purchasing priorities, or the introduction or anticipated introduction of new or enhanced products by us or our competitors during the process.
- We may make a significant investment of time and money in opportunities that do not come to fruition, which investments may not be usable or recoverable in future projects.
- We may be required to bid on a project in advance of the completion of its design or be required to begin working on a project in advance of finalizing a sale, in either case, increasing the risk of unforeseen technological difficulties or cost overruns.
- We face greater downside risks if we do not correctly and efficiently deploy limited personnel and financial resources and convert such sales opportunities into orders.

Larger solution sales also require greater expertise in sales execution and transaction implementation than more basic product sales, including in establishing and maintaining appropriate contacts and relationships with customers and partners, product development, project management, staffing, integration, services, and support. Our ability to sell and support larger solutions also generally requires greater investment for us, in terms of personnel and other resources, and increases the risk that our revenue and profitability becomes concentrated in a given period or over time. Additionally, after the completion of a solution sale or the sale of a more sophisticated product in general, our customers or partners may need assistance from us in making full use of the functionality of these solutions or products, in realizing all of their benefits, or in implementation generally. If

we are unable to assist our customers and partners in realizing the benefits they expect from our solutions and products, demand for our solutions and products may decline and our operating results may suffer.

The extended time frame and uncertainty associated with many of our sales opportunities also makes it difficult for us to accurately forecast our revenues (and attendant budgeting and guidance decisions) and increases the volatility of our operating results from period to period. Our ability to forecast and the volatility of our operating results is also impacted by the fact that pricing, margins, and other deal terms may vary substantially from transaction to transaction, especially across business lines. The terms of our transactions, including with respect to pricing, future deliverables, delivery model (e.g., perpetual license versus SaaS), and post-contract customer support, also impact the timing of our ability to recognize revenue. Because these transaction-specific factors are difficult to predict in advance, this also complicates the forecasting of revenue. The deferral or loss of one or more significant orders or a delay in a large implementation can also materially adversely affect our operating results, especially in a given quarter. As with other software-focused companies, a large amount of our quarterly business tends to come in the last few weeks, or even the last few days, of each quarter. This trend has also complicated the process of accurately predicting revenue and other operating results, particularly on a quarterly basis. Finally, our business is subject to seasonal factors that may also cause our results to fluctuate from quarter to quarter.

If we are unable to establish and maintain our relationships with third parties that market and sell our products, our business and ability to grow could be materially adversely affected.

Approximately half of our sales are made through partners, distributors, resellers, and systems integrators. To remain successful, we must maintain our existing relationships as well as identify and establish new relationships with such third parties. We must often compete with other suppliers for these relationships and our competitors often seek to establish exclusive relationships with these sales channels or to become a preferred partner for them. Our ability to establish and maintain these relationships is based on, among other things, factors that are similar to those on which we compete for end customers, including features, functionality, ease of use, installation and maintenance, and price. Even if we are able to secure such relationships on terms we find acceptable, there is no assurance that we will be able to realize the benefits we anticipate. Some of our channel partners may also compete with us or have affiliates that compete with us, or may partner with our competitors or even offer our products and those of our competitors as alternatives when presenting proposals to end customers. Our ability to achieve our revenue goals and growth depends to a significant extent on maintaining, enabling, and adding to these sales channels, and if we are unable to do so, our business and ability to grow could be materially adversely affected.

For certain products, components, or services, we rely on third-party suppliers, manufacturers, and partners, and if these relationships are interrupted we may not be able to obtain substitute suppliers, manufacturers, or partners on favorable terms or at all and we may be subject to other adverse effects.

Although we generally use standard parts and components in our products, we do rely on non-affiliated suppliers and OEM partners for certain non-standard products or components which may be critical to our products, including both hardware and software, and on manufacturers of assemblies that are incorporated into our products. We also purchase technology, license intellectual property rights, and oversee third-party development and localization of certain products or components, in some cases, by or from companies that may compete with us or work with our competitors. While we endeavor to use larger, more established suppliers, manufacturers, and partners wherever possible, in some cases, these providers may be smaller, less established companies, particularly in the case of suppliers of new or unique technologies that we have not developed internally. If these suppliers, manufacturers, or partners experience financial, operational, manufacturing capacity, or quality assurance difficulties, cease production or sale of the products we buy from them entirely, or there is any other disruption, including loss of license, OEM, or distribution rights, including as a result of the acquisition of a supplier or partner by a competitor, we will be required to locate alternative sources of supply or manufacturing, to internally develop the applicable technologies, to redesign our products, and/or to remove certain features from our products, any of which would be likely to increase expenses, create delivery delays, and negatively impact our sales. Although we endeavor to put in place contracts with key providers, including protections such as source code escrows (where needed), warranties, and indemnities, we may not be successful in obtaining adequate protections, these agreements may be short-term in duration, and the counterparties may be unwilling or unable to stand behind such protections. Moreover, these types of contractual protections offer limited practical benefits to us in the event our relationship with a key provider is interrupted.

We also rely on third parties to provide certain services to us or to our customers, including hosting partners and providers of other cloud-based services. If these third-party providers do not perform as expected, our customers may be adversely affected, resulting in potential liability and negative exposure for us. If it is necessary to migrate these services to other providers as a result of poor performance by these third parties, cyber breaches, security considerations, or other financial or operational factors, it could result in service disruptions to our customers and significant time and expense to us, any of which could

adversely affect our business.

If we cannot retain and recruit qualified personnel, our ability to operate and grow our business may be impaired.

We depend on the continued services of our management and employees to run and grow our business. To remain successful and to grow, we need to retain existing employees and attract new employees who understand and/or have experience with our products, services, and markets, including new markets and growth areas we may enter. As we grow, we must also enhance and expand our management team to execute on new and larger agendas and challenges. The market for qualified personnel is competitive in the geographies in which we operate and may be limited especially in areas of emerging technology, and we may be at a disadvantage to companies with greater brand recognition or financial resources in recruiting. If we are unable to attract and retain qualified personnel, when and where they are needed, our ability to operate and grow our business could be impaired. Moreover, if we are not able to properly balance investment in personnel with growth in our business, our profitability may be adversely affected.

Because we have significant foreign operations and business, we are subject to geopolitical and other risks that could materially adversely affect our results.

We have significant operations and business outside the United States, including sales, research and development, manufacturing, customer services and support, and administrative services. The countries in which we have our most significant foreign operations include Israel, the United Kingdom, India, Cyprus, Indonesia, Australia, Brazil and the Netherlands. We also generate significant revenue from more than a dozen foreign countries, and smaller amounts of revenue from many more, including a number of emerging markets. We intend to continue to grow our business internationally.

Our foreign operations are, and any future foreign growth will be, subject to a variety of risks, many of which are beyond our control, including risks associated with:

- foreign currency fluctuations;
- political, security, and economic instability or corruption in foreign countries;
- changes in and compliance with both international and local laws and regulations, including those related to trade compliance, anticorruption, data privacy and protection, tax, labor, employee benefits, customs, currency restrictions, and other requirements;
- differences in tax regimes and potentially adverse tax consequences of operating in foreign countries;
- product customization or localization issues;
- preferences for or policies and procedures that protect local suppliers;
- legal uncertainties regarding intellectual property rights or rights and obligations generally;
- recruitment and retention of qualified foreign employees; and
- challenges or delays in collection of accounts receivable.

Any or all of these factors could materially adversely affect our business or results of operations.

Conditions in and our relationship to Israel may materially adversely affect our operations and personnel and may limit our ability to produce and sell our products or engage in certain transactions.

We have significant operations in Israel, including R&D, manufacturing, sales, and support. Conflicts and political, economic, and/or military conditions in Israel and the Middle East region have affected and may in the future affect our operations in Israel. Violence within Israel or the outbreak of violent conflicts between Israel and its neighbors, including the Palestinians or Iran, may impede our ability to manufacture, sell, and support our products or engage in R&D, or otherwise adversely affect our business or operations. Many of our employees in Israel are required to perform annual compulsory military service and are subject to being called to active duty at any time. Hostilities involving Israel may also result in the interruption or curtailment of trade between Israel and its trading partners or a significant downturn in the economic or financial condition of Israel and could materially adversely affect our results of operations.

Restrictive laws, policies, or practices in certain countries directed toward Israel, Israeli goods, or companies having operations in Israel may also limit our ability to sell some of our products in certain countries.

We receive grants from the IAA for the financing of a portion of our research and development expenditures in Israel. The availability in any given year of these IAA grants depends on IAA approval of the projects and related budgets that we submit to the IAA each year. The Israeli law under which these IAA grants are made limits our ability to manufacture products, or transfer technologies, developed using these grants outside of Israel. This may limit our ability to engage in certain outsourcing or business combination transactions involving these products or require us to pay significant royalties or fees to the IAA in order to obtain any IAA consent that may be required in connection with such transactions.

Loss of security clearances or political factors may adversely affect our business.

Some of our subsidiaries maintain security clearances domestically and abroad in connection with the development, marketing, sale, and support of our Cyber Intelligence solutions. These clearances are reviewed from time to time by these countries and could be deactivated, including for political reasons unrelated to the merits of our solutions, such as the list of countries we do business with or the fact that our local entity is controlled by or affiliated with an entity based in another country. If we lose our security clearances in a particular country, we may be unable to sell our Cyber Intelligence solutions for secure projects in that country and might also experience greater challenges in selling such solutions even for non-secure projects in that country. Even if we are able to obtain and maintain applicable security clearances, government customers may decline to purchase our Cyber Intelligence solutions if they were not developed or manufactured in that country or if they were developed or manufactured in other countries that are considered disfavored by such country. We may also experience negative publicity or other adverse impacts on our business if we sell our Cyber Intelligence solutions to countries that are considered disfavored by the media or political or social rights organizations even though such transactions are permissible under applicable law.

We are subject to complex, evolving regulatory requirements that may be difficult and expensive to comply with and that could negatively impact our business.

Our business and operations are subject to a variety of regulatory requirements in the United States and abroad, including, among other things, with respect to government contracts, labor, tax, import and export, anti-corruption, information security, data privacy, and communications monitoring and interception. Compliance with these regulatory requirements may be onerous, time-consuming, and expensive, especially where these requirements are inconsistent from jurisdiction to jurisdiction or where the jurisdictional reach of certain requirements is not clearly defined or seeks to reach across national borders. Regulatory requirements in one jurisdiction may make it difficult or impossible to do business in another jurisdiction. We may also be unsuccessful in obtaining permits, licenses, or other authorizations required to operate our business, such as for the marketing or sale or import or export of our products and services.

While we have implemented policies, procedures, and systems designed to achieve compliance with these regulatory requirements, we cannot assure you that these policies, procedures, or systems will be adequate or that we or our personnel will not violate these policies and procedures or applicable laws and regulations. Violations of these laws or regulations may harm our reputation and deter government agencies and other existing or potential customers or partners from purchasing our solutions. Furthermore, non-compliance with applicable laws or regulations could result in fines, damages, criminal sanctions against us, our officers, or our employees, restrictions on the conduct of our business, and damage to our reputation.

Regulatory requirements, such as laws requiring telecommunications providers to facilitate the monitoring of communications by law enforcement, may also influence market demand for many of our products and/or customer requirements for specific functionality and performance or technical standards. The domestic and international regulatory environment is subject to constant change, often based on factors beyond our control or anticipation, including political climate, budgets, and current events, which could reduce demand for our products or require us to change or redesign products to maintain compliance or competitiveness.

Regulation of privacy and data security may adversely affect sales of our products and result in increased compliance costs.

We believe increased regulation is likely with respect to the solicitation, collection, processing or use of personal, financial and consumer information as regulatory authorities around the world are considering a number of legislative and regulatory proposals concerning data protection, privacy and data security. In addition, the interpretation and application of consumer and data protection laws and industry standards in the United States, Europe and elsewhere are often uncertain and in flux. The application of existing laws to cloud-based solutions is particularly uncertain and cloud-based solutions may be subject to

further regulation, the impact of which cannot be fully understood at this time. Moreover, it is possible that these laws may be interpreted and applied in a manner that is inconsistent with our data and privacy practices. If so, in addition to the possibility of fines, this could result in an order requiring that we change our data and privacy practices, which could have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations. Complying with these various laws could cause us to incur substantial costs or require us to change our business practices in a manner adverse to our business.

Information / Product Security and Intellectual Property

The mishandling or the perceived mishandling of sensitive information could harm our business.

Our products are in some cases used by customers to compile and analyze highly sensitive or confidential information and data, including information or data used in intelligence gathering or law enforcement activities. While our customers' use of our products in no way affords us access to the customer's sensitive or confidential information or data, we or our partners may receive or come into contact with such information or data, including personally identifiable information, when we are asked to perform services or support functions for our customers. We or our partners may also receive or come into contact with such information or data in connection with our SaaS or other hosted or managed services offerings. We have implemented policies and procedures, and use information technology systems, to help ensure the proper handling of such information and data, including background screening of certain services personnel, non-disclosure agreements with employees and partners, access rules, and controls on our information technology systems. Customers are also increasingly focused on the security of our products and services and we continuously work to address these concerns, including through the use of encryption, access rights, and other customary security features, which vary based on the solution in question and customer requirements. However, these measures are designed to mitigate the risks associated with handling or processing sensitive data and cannot safeguard against all risks at all times. The improper handling of sensitive data, or even the perception of such mishandling (whether or not valid), or other security lapses or breaches affecting us, our partners, or our products or services, could reduce demand for our products or services or otherwise expose us to financial or reputational harm or legal liability.

Our solutions may contain defects or may be vulnerable to cyber-attacks, which could expose us to both financial and non-financial damages.

Many of our existing solutions are and future solutions are expected to be sophisticated and may develop operational problems. New products and new product versions, new service models such as hosting, SaaS, and managed services, and the incorporation of third-party products or services into our solutions, also give rise to the risk of defects or errors. These defects or errors may relate to the operation or the security of the products. If we do not discover and remedy such defects, errors, or other operational or security problems until after a product has been released to customers or partners, we may incur significant costs to correct such problems and/or become liable for substantial damages for product liability claims or other liabilities. Moreover, even products or services that are well-designed and tested may be vulnerable to cyber-attacks. If one or more of our products or services, including elements provided by third-party suppliers or partners, are found to have defects or errors, or if there is a successful cyber-attack on one of our products or services even absent a defect or error, it may also result in questions regarding the integrity of our products or services generally, which could cause adverse publicity and impair their market acceptance and could have a material adverse effect on our results or financial condition.

We may be subject to information technology system breaches, failures, or disruptions that could harm our operations, financial condition, or reputation.

We rely extensively on information technology systems to operate and manage our business and to process, maintain, and safeguard information, including information belonging to our customers, partners, and personnel. These systems may be subject to breaches, failures, or disruptions as a result of, among other things, cyber-attacks, computer viruses, physical security breaches, natural disasters, accidents, power disruptions, telecommunications failures, new system implementations, or acts of terrorism or war. We have experienced cyber-attacks in the past and may experience them in the future, potentially with greater frequency. While we are continually working to maintain secure and reliable systems, our security, redundancy, and business continuity efforts may be ineffective or inadequate. We must continuously improve our design and coordination of security controls across our business groups and geographies. Despite our efforts, it is possible that our security controls, and other procedures that we follow, may not prevent system breaches, failures, or disruptions. Such system breaches, failures, or disruptions could subject us to the loss, compromise, or disclosure of sensitive or confidential information or intellectual property, the destruction or corruption of data, financial losses from remedial actions, liabilities to customers or other third parties, damage to our reputation, delays in our ability to process orders, delays in our ability to provide products and services to customers, including SaaS or other hosted or managed services offerings, R&D or production downtimes, or delays or errors in financial reporting. Information system breaches or failures at one of our partners, including hosting providers or those who support other cloud-based offerings, may also result in similar adverse consequences. Any of the foregoing could harm our

competitive position, result in a loss of customer confidence, and materially and adversely affect our results of operations or financial condition.

Our intellectual property may not be adequately protected.

While much of our intellectual property is protected by patents or patent applications, we have not and cannot protect all of our intellectual property with patents or other registrations. There can be no assurance that patents we have applied for will be issued on the basis of our patent applications or that, if such patents are issued, they will be, or that our existing patents are, sufficiently broad enough to protect our technologies, products, or services. Our intellectual property rights may not be successfully asserted in the future or may be invalidated, designed around, or challenged.

In order to safeguard our unpatented proprietary know-how, source code, trade secrets, and technology, we rely primarily upon trade secret protection and non-disclosure provisions in agreements with employees and other third parties having access to our confidential information. There can be no assurance that these measures will adequately protect us from improper disclosure or misappropriation of our proprietary information.

Preventing unauthorized use or infringement of our intellectual property rights is difficult even in jurisdictions with well-established legal protections for intellectual property such as the United States. It may be even more difficult to protect our intellectual property in other jurisdictions where legal protections for intellectual property rights are less established. If we are unable to adequately protect our intellectual property against unauthorized third-party use or infringement, our competitive position could be adversely affected.

Our products may infringe or may be alleged to infringe on the intellectual property rights of others, which could lead to costly disputes or disruptions for us and may require us to indemnify our customers and resellers for any damages they suffer.

The technology industry is characterized by frequent allegations of intellectual property infringement. In the past, third parties have asserted that certain of our products infringed upon their intellectual property rights and similar claims may be made in the future. Any allegation of infringement against us could be time consuming and expensive to defend or resolve, result in substantial diversion of management resources, cause product shipment delays, or force us to enter into royalty or license agreements. If patent holders or other holders of intellectual property initiate legal proceedings against us, either with respect to our own intellectual property or intellectual property we license from third parties, we may be forced into protracted and costly litigation, regardless of the merits of these claims. We may not be successful in defending such litigation, in part due to the complex technical issues and inherent uncertainties in intellectual property litigation, and may not be able to procure any required royalty or license agreements on terms acceptable to us, or at all. Third parties may also assert infringement claims against our customers. Subject to certain limitations, we generally indemnify our customers and resellers with respect to infringement by our products of the proprietary rights of third parties, which, in some cases, may not be limited to a specified maximum amount and for which we may not have sufficient insurance coverage or adequate indemnification in the case of intellectual property licensed from a third party. If any of these claims succeed, we may be forced to pay damages, be required to obtain licenses for the products our customers or partners use, or incur significant expenses in developing non-infringing alternatives. If we cannot obtain necessary licenses on commercially reasonable terms, our customers may be forced to stop using or, in the case of resellers and other partners, stop selling our products.

Use of free or open source software could expose our products to unintended restrictions and could materially adversely affect our business.

Some of our products contain free or open source software (together, "open source software") and we anticipate making use of open source software in the future. Open source software is generally covered by license agreements that permit the user to use, copy, modify, and distribute the software without cost, provided that the users and modifiers abide by certain licensing requirements. The original developers of the open source software generally provide no warranties on such software or protections in the event the open source software infringes a third party's intellectual property rights. Although we endeavor to monitor the use of open source software in our product development, we cannot assure you that past, present, or future products will not contain open source software elements that impose unfavorable licensing restrictions or other requirements on our products, including the need to seek licenses from third parties, to re-engineer affected products, to discontinue sales of affected products, or to release all or portions of the source code of affected products. Any of these developments could materially adversely affect our business.

Risks Related to Our Finances and Capital Structure

We have a significant amount of indebtedness, which exposes us to leverage risks and subjects us to covenants which may adversely affect our operations.

At March 15, 2017, we had total outstanding indebtedness of approximately \$808 million under our Credit Agreement and the Notes, meaning that we are significantly leveraged. In addition, we have the ability to borrow additional amounts under our Credit Agreement, including the revolving credit facility, for a variety of purposes, including, among others, acquisitions and stock repurchases. Our leverage position may, among other things:

- limit our ability to obtain additional debt financing in the future for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, or other general corporate purposes;
- require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to debt service, reducing the availability of our cash flow for other purposes;
- require us to repatriate cash for debt service from our foreign subsidiaries resulting in dividend tax costs or require us to adopt other disadvantageous tax structures to accommodate debt service payments; or
- increase our vulnerability to economic downturns, limit our ability to capitalize on significant business opportunities, and restrict our flexibility to react to changes in market or industry conditions.

In addition, because the unhedged portion of our indebtedness under our Credit Agreement bears interest at a variable rate, we are exposed to risk from fluctuations in interest rates in periods where market rates exceed the interest rate floor provided by our Credit Agreement.

The revolving credit facility under our Credit Agreement contains a financial covenant that requires us to maintain a maximum consolidated leverage ratio. Our ability to comply with the leverage ratio covenant is dependent upon our ability to continue to generate sufficient earnings each quarter, or in the alternative, to reduce expenses and/or reduce the level of our outstanding debt, and we cannot assure that we will be successful in any or all of these regards.

Our Credit Agreement also includes a number of restrictive covenants which limit our ability to, among other things:

- incur additional indebtedness or liens or issue preferred stock;
- pay dividends or make other distributions or repurchase or redeem our stock or subordinated indebtedness;
- engage in transactions with affiliates;
- engage in sale-leaseback transactions;
- sell certain assets;
- change our lines of business;
- make investments, loans, or advances; and
- engage in consolidations, mergers, liquidations, or dissolutions.

These covenants could limit our ability to plan for or react to market conditions, to meet our capital needs, or to otherwise engage in transactions that might be considered beneficial to us.

If certain events of default occur under our Credit Agreement, our lenders could declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable. An acceleration of indebtedness under our Credit Agreement may also result in an event of default under the indenture governing the Notes. Additionally, if a change of control as defined in our Credit Agreement were to occur, the lenders under our credit facilities would have the right to require us to repay all of our outstanding obligations under the facilities.

If a fundamental change as defined in the indenture governing the Notes were to occur, the holders may require us to purchase for cash all or any portion of their Notes at 100% of the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest. Additionally, in the event the conditional conversion feature of the Notes is triggered, holders of the Notes will be entitled to convert their Notes during specified periods of time at their option. If one or more holders elect to convert their Notes, we may be required to settle all or a portion of our conversion obligation in cash, which could adversely affect our liquidity.

If any of the events described in the foregoing paragraphs were to occur, in order to satisfy our obligations we may be forced to seek an amendment of and/or waiver under our debt agreements, raise additional capital through securities offerings, asset sales, or other transactions, or seek to refinance or restructure our debt. In such a case, there can be no assurance that we will be able to consummate such a transaction on reasonable terms or at all.

We consider other financing and refinancing options from time to time, however, we cannot assure you that such options will be available to us on reasonable terms or at all. If one or more rating agencies were to downgrade our credit ratings, that could also impede our ability to refinance our existing debt or secure new debt, increase our future cost of borrowing, and create third-party concerns about our financial condition or results of operations.

A significant portion of our cash and cash equivalents are held overseas. If we are not able to generate sufficient cash domestically in order to fund our U.S. operations, stock repurchases and strategic opportunities, and to service our debt, we may incur a significant tax liability in order to repatriate the overseas cash balances, or we may need to raise additional capital in the future.

As of January 31, 2017, approximately \$336.6 million of our cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash, bank time deposits, and investments were held in foreign countries. These amounts are not freely available for dividend repatriation to the U.S. without triggering significant adverse tax consequences in the U.S. As a result, if the cash generated by our domestic operations is not sufficient to fund our domestic operations, our broader corporate initiatives such as stock repurchases, acquisitions, and other strategic opportunities, and to service our outstanding indebtedness, we may need to raise additional funds through public or private debt or equity financings, or we may need to obtain new credit facilities to the extent we choose not to repatriate our overseas cash. Such additional financing may not be available on terms favorable to us, or at all, and any new equity financings or offerings would dilute our current stockholders' ownership. Furthermore, lenders may not agree to extend us new, additional or continuing credit. If adequate funds are not available, or are not available on acceptable terms, we may be forced to repatriate our foreign sources of liquidity and incur a significant tax expense or we may not be able to take advantage of strategic opportunities, develop new products, respond to competitive pressures, repurchase outstanding stock or repay our outstanding indebtedness. In any such case, our business, operating results or financial condition could be adversely impacted. For further information, please refer to "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations-Liquidity and Capital Resources."

We may be adversely affected by our acquisition of CTI or our historical affiliation with CTI and its former subsidiaries.

As a result of the February 2013 acquisition of our former parent company, CTI (the "CTI Merger"), CTI's liabilities, including contingent liabilities, have been consolidated into our financial statements. If CTI's liabilities are greater than represented, if the contingent liabilities we have assumed become fixed, or if there are obligations of CTI of which we were not aware at the time of completion of the CTI Merger, we may have exposure for those obligations and our business or financial condition could be materially and adversely affected. Adjustments to the CTI consolidated group's tax liability for periods prior to the CTI Merger could also affect the net operating losses ("NOLs") allocated to Verint as a result of the CTI Merger and cause us to incur additional tax liability in future periods.

As a result of our historical affiliation with CTI and other members of the historical CTI consolidated tax group, we could also become liable for taxes of other members of the CTI consolidated group for historical periods under certain circumstances. Adjustments to the historical CTI consolidated group's tax liability for periods prior to Verint's IPO could also affect the NOLs allocated to Verint in the IPO and cause us to incur additional tax liability in future periods.

We are entitled to certain rights to indemnification from Xura in connection with the transactions contemplated by our agreement and plan of merger with CTI (the "CTI Merger Agreement") and the agreements entered into in connection with the distribution by CTI to its shareholders of substantially all of its assets other than its interest in us (the "Comverse Share Distribution"). However, there is no assurance that Xura will be willing and able to provide such indemnification if needed. If we become responsible for liabilities (including tax liabilities) not covered by indemnification or substantially in excess of amounts covered by indemnification, or if Xura becomes unwilling or unable to stand behind such protections, our financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

Our financial results may be significantly impacted by changes in our tax position.

We are subject to taxes in the United States and numerous foreign jurisdictions. Our future effective tax rates could be affected by changes in the mix of earnings in countries with differing statutory tax rates, changes in valuation allowance on deferred tax assets (including our NOL carryforwards), changes in unrecognized tax benefits or changes in tax laws or their interpretation. Any of these changes could have a material adverse effect on our profitability. In addition, the tax authorities in the jurisdictions in which we operate, including the United States, may from time to time review the pricing arrangements between us and our foreign subsidiaries or among our foreign subsidiaries. An adverse determination by one or more tax authorities in this regard may have a material adverse effect on our financial results.

We have significant deferred tax assets which can provide us with significant future cash tax savings if we are able to use them, including significant NOLs inherited as a result of the CTI Merger. However, the extent to which we will be able to use these NOLs may be impacted, restricted, or eliminated by a number of factors, including changes in tax rates, laws or regulations, whether we generate sufficient future taxable income, and possible adjustments to the tax attributes of CTI or its non-Verint subsidiaries for periods prior to the CTI Merger. To the extent that we are unable to utilize our NOLs or other losses, our results of operations, liquidity, and financial condition could be materially adversely affected. When we cease to have NOLs available to us in a particular tax jurisdiction, either through their expiration, disallowance, or utilization, our cash tax liability will increase in that jurisdiction.

Changes in accounting principles, or interpretations thereof, could adversely impact our financial condition or operating results.

We prepare our Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with GAAP. These principles are subject to interpretation by the SEC and other organizations that develop and interpret accounting principles. Changes in these principles can have a significant effect on our reported operating results and may even retroactively affect previously reported operating results.

For example, the Financial Accounting Standard Board (“FASB”) has recently issued new, comprehensive accounting standards for revenue recognition and accounting for leases, and may issue other comprehensive accounting standards in the future, implementations of which may significantly impact our reported operating results and financial condition or could increase the volatility of our operating results. In addition, the implementation of new accounting standards may require significant changes to our customer and vendor contracts, business processes, accounting systems, and internal controls over financial reporting. The costs and effects of these changes could adversely impact our operating results.

For additional information regarding new accounting standards, please refer to Note 1, “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included under Item 8 of this report, under the heading “Recent Accounting Pronouncements”.

Our internal controls over financial reporting may not prevent misstatements and material weaknesses or deficiencies could arise in the future which could lead to restatements or filing delays.

Our system of internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of consolidated financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”). Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect every misstatement. An evaluation of effectiveness is subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, because the degree of compliance with policies or procedures decreases over time, or because of unanticipated circumstances or other factors. As a result, although our management has concluded that our internal controls are effective as of January 31, 2017, we cannot assure you that our internal controls will prevent or detect every misstatement, that material weaknesses or other deficiencies will not occur or be identified in the future, that this or future financial reports will not contain material misstatements or omissions, that future restatements will not be required, or that we will be able to timely comply with our reporting obligations in the future.

If our goodwill or other intangible assets become impaired, our financial condition and results of operations could be negatively affected.

Because we have historically acquired a significant number of companies, goodwill and other intangible assets have represented a substantial portion of our assets. Goodwill and other intangible assets totaled approximately \$1,500 million, or approximately 63% of our total assets, as of January 31, 2017. We test our goodwill for impairment at least annually, or more frequently if an event occurs indicating the potential for impairment, and we assess on an as-needed basis whether there have

been impairments in our other intangible assets. We make assumptions and estimates in this assessment which are complex and often subjective. These assumptions and estimates can be affected by a variety of factors, including external factors such as industry and economic trends, and internal factors such as changes in our business strategy or our internal forecasts. To the extent that the factors described above change, we could be required to record additional non-cash impairment charges in the future, which could negatively affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Our international operations subject us to currency exchange risk.

We earn revenue, pay expenses, own assets and incur liabilities in countries using currencies other than the U.S. dollar, including the Israeli shekel, euro, British pound sterling, Singapore dollar, and Australia dollar, among others. Because our consolidated financial statements are presented in U.S. dollars, we must translate revenue, expenses, assets, and liabilities of entities using non-U.S. dollar functional currencies into U.S. dollars using currency exchange rates in effect during or at the end of each reporting period, meaning we are exposed to the impact of changes in currency exchange rates. In addition, our net income is impacted by the revaluation and settlement of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than an entity's functional currency, gains or losses on which are recorded within other income (expense), net. We attempt to mitigate a portion of these risks through foreign currency hedging, based on our judgment of the appropriate trade-offs among risk, opportunity and expense. However, our hedging activities are limited in scope and duration and may not be effective at reducing the U.S. dollar cost of our global operations.

In addition, our financial outlooks do not assume fluctuations in currency exchange rates. Adverse fluctuations in currency exchange rates subsequent to providing our financial outlooks could cause our actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in our outlooks, which could negatively affect our business.

The prices of our common stock and the Notes have been, and may continue to be, volatile and your investment could lose value.

The prices of our common stock and the Notes have been, and may continue to be, volatile. Those prices could be affected by any of the risk factors discussed in this Item. In addition, other factors that could impact the prices of our common stock and/or the Notes include:

- announcements by us or our competitors regarding, among other things, strategic changes, new products, product enhancements or technological advances, acquisitions, major transactions, stock repurchases, or management changes;
- speculation in the press and the analyst community, including with respect to changes in recommendations or earnings estimates or growth rates by financial analysts, changes in investors' or analysts' valuation measures for our securities, our credit ratings, or market trends unrelated to our performance;
- stock sales by our directors, officers, or other significant holders, or stock repurchases by us;
- hedging or arbitrage trading activity by third parties, including by the counterparties to the note hedge and warrant transactions that we entered into in connection with the issuance of the Notes; and
- dilution that may occur upon any conversion of the Notes.

A significant drop in the price of our common stock or the Notes could also expose us to the risk of securities class action lawsuits, which could result in substantial costs and divert management's attention and resources, which could adversely affect our business.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

Item 2. Properties

The following describes our material properties as of the date of this report.

We lease a total of approximately 1,106,000 square feet of office space covering approximately 66 offices around the world and we own an aggregate of approximately 89,000 square feet of office space at three sites in Scotland, Germany, and Indonesia.

Other than as described below, these properties are comprised of small and mid-sized facilities that are used to support our administrative, marketing, manufacturing, product development, sales, training, support, and services needs for our two operating segments.

Our corporate headquarters is located in a leased facility in Melville, New York, and consists of approximately 49,000 square feet of space under a lease that we entered into on February 13, 2015 and that expires in 2027. The Melville facility is used primarily by our executive management and corporate groups, including finance, legal, and human resources, as well as for customer support and services for our Customer Engagement operations.

We lease approximately 132,700 square feet of space at a facility in Alpharetta, Georgia under a lease that expires in 2026. The Alpharetta facility is used primarily by the administrative, marketing, product development, support, and sales groups for our Customer Engagement operations.

We also occupy approximately 176,000 square feet of space at our main facility in Herzliya, Israel under a lease that we renewed on October 1, 2015 and that expires in 2025. This Herzliya facility is used primarily for manufacturing, storage, development, sales, marketing, and support related to our Cyber Intelligence operations, as well as for product development related to our Customer Engagement Solutions. We also lease approximately 76,000 square feet of space at a second facility in Herzliya under a lease that expires in 2028.

From time to time, we may lease or sublease portions of our owned or leased facilities to third parties based on our operational needs. For additional information regarding our lease obligations, see Note 15, "Commitments and Contingencies" to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report.

We believe that our leased and owned facilities are in good operating condition and are adequate for our current requirements, although changes in our business may require us to acquire additional facilities or modify existing facilities. We believe that alternative locations are available on commercially reasonable terms in all areas where we currently do business.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

On March 26, 2009, legal actions were commenced by Ms. Orit Deutsch, a former employee of our subsidiary, Verint Systems Limited ("VSL"), against VSL in the Tel Aviv Regional Labor Court (Case Number 4186/09) (the "Deutsch Labor Action") and against CTI in the Tel Aviv District Court (Case Number 1335/09) (the "Deutsch District Action"). In the Deutsch Labor Action, Ms. Deutsch filed a motion to approve a class action lawsuit on the grounds that she purports to represent a class of our employees and former employees who were granted Verint and CTI stock options and were allegedly damaged as a result of the suspension of option exercises during the period from March 2006 through March 2010, during which we did not make periodic filings with the SEC as a result of certain internal and external investigations and reviews of accounting matters discussed in our prior public filings. In the Deutsch District Action, in addition to a small amount of individual damages, Ms. Deutsch is seeking to certify a class of plaintiffs who were allegedly damaged due to their inability to exercise Verint and CTI stock options as a result of alleged negligence by CTI in its financial reporting. The class certification motions do not specify an amount of damages. On February 8, 2010, the Deutsch Labor Action was dismissed for lack of material jurisdiction and was transferred to the Tel Aviv District Court and consolidated with the Deutsch District Action. On March 16, 2009 and March 26, 2009, respectively, legal actions were commenced by Ms. Roni Katriel, a former employee of CTI's former subsidiary, Comverse Limited, against Comverse Limited in the Tel Aviv Regional Labor Court (Case Number 3444/09) (the "Katriel Labor Action") and against CTI in the Tel Aviv District Court (Case Number 1334/09) (the "Katriel District Action"). In the Katriel Labor Action, Ms. Katriel is seeking to certify a class of plaintiffs who were granted CTI stock options and were allegedly damaged as a result of the suspension of option exercises during an extended filing delay period affecting CTI's periodic reporting discussed in CTI's historical SEC filings. In the Katriel District Action, in addition to a small amount of individual damages, Ms. Katriel is seeking to certify a class of plaintiffs who were allegedly damaged due to their inability to exercise CTI stock options as a result of alleged negligence by CTI in its financial reporting. The class certification motions do not specify an amount of damages. On March 2, 2010, the Katriel Labor Action was transferred to the Tel Aviv District Court, based on an agreed motion filed by the parties requesting such transfer.

On April 4, 2012, Ms. Deutsch and Ms. Katriel filed an uncontested motion to consolidate and amend their claims and on June 7, 2012, the District Court allowed Ms. Deutsch and Ms. Katriel to file the consolidated class certification motion and an amended consolidated complaint against VSL, CTI, and Comverse Limited. Following CTI's announcement of its intention to effect the Comverse Share Distribution, on July 12, 2012, the plaintiffs filed a motion requesting that the District Court order

CTI to set aside up to \$150.0 million in assets to secure any future judgment. The District Court ruled that it would not decide this motion until the Deutsch and Katriel class certification motion was heard. Plaintiffs initially filed a motion to appeal this ruling in August 2012, but subsequently withdrew it in July 2014.

Prior to the consummation of the Comverse Share Distribution, CTI either sold or transferred substantially all of its business operations and assets (other than its equity ownership interests in us and Comverse) to Comverse or unaffiliated third parties. On October 31, 2012, CTI completed the Comverse Share Distribution, in which it distributed all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Comverse to CTI's shareholders. As a result of the Comverse Share Distribution, Comverse became an independent public company and ceased to be a wholly owned subsidiary of CTI, and CTI ceased to have any material assets other than its equity interest in us. On September 9, 2015, Comverse changed its name to Xura, Inc.

On February 4, 2013, we completed the CTI Merger. As a result of the CTI Merger, we have assumed certain rights and liabilities of CTI, including any liability of CTI arising out of the Deutsch District Action and the Katriel District Action. However, under the terms of the Distribution Agreement between CTI and Comverse relating to the Comverse Share Distribution, we, as successor to CTI, are entitled to indemnification from Comverse (now Xura) for any losses we suffer in our capacity as successor-in-interest to CTI in connection with the Deutsch District Action and the Katriel District Action.

Following an unsuccessful mediation process, the proceeding before the District Court resumed. On August 28, 2016, the District Court (i) denied the plaintiffs' motion to certify the suit as a class action with respect to all claims relating to Verint stock options and (ii) approved the plaintiffs' motion to certify the suit as a class action with respect to claims of current or former employees of Comverse Limited (now Xura) or VSL who held unexercised CTI stock options at the time CTI suspended option exercises. The court also ruled that the merits of the case and any calculation of damages would be evaluated under New York law.

On December 15, 2016, CTI filed with the Supreme Court a motion for leave to appeal the District Court's August 28, 2016 ruling. The plaintiffs filed their response to the motion on February 26, 2017. The plaintiffs did not file an appeal of the District Court's August 28, 2016 ruling.

On December 13, 2016, the plaintiffs filed a notice with the District Court regarding the appointment of a new representative plaintiff, David Vaknin, for the current or former employees of VSL who held unexercised CTI stock options at the time CTI suspended option exercises. The plaintiffs must now file an amended statement of claims by May 1, 2017.

From time to time we or our subsidiaries may be involved in legal proceedings and/or litigation arising in the ordinary course of our business. While the outcome of these matters cannot be predicted with certainty, we do not believe that the outcome of any current claims will have a material effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters, and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Market Information

Our common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "VRNT".

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sales prices per share of our common stock as reported by the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

| | Low | High |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Year Ended January 31, 2016: | | |
| First quarter | \$ 52.79 | \$ 64.78 |
| Second quarter | \$ 57.05 | \$ 66.45 |
| Third quarter | \$ 40.90 | \$ 59.69 |
| Fourth quarter | \$ 35.61 | \$ 49.70 |
| Year Ended January 31, 2017: | | |
| First quarter | \$ 29.76 | \$ 38.00 |
| Second quarter | \$ 31.43 | \$ 37.13 |
| Third quarter | \$ 33.59 | \$ 39.68 |
| Fourth quarter | \$ 33.40 | \$ 38.95 |

Holder

There were approximately 2,000 holders of record of our common stock at March 15, 2017. Such record holders include holders who are nominees for an undetermined number of beneficial owners.

Dividends

We have not declared or paid any cash dividends on our equity securities and have no current plans to pay any dividends on our equity securities. We intend to retain our earnings to finance the development of our business, repay debt, and for other corporate purposes. In addition, the terms of our Credit Agreement restrict our ability to pay cash dividends on shares of our common stock. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Liquidity and Capital Resources" included under Item 7 of this report and Note 6, "Long-Term Debt" to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report for a more detailed discussion of these limitations.

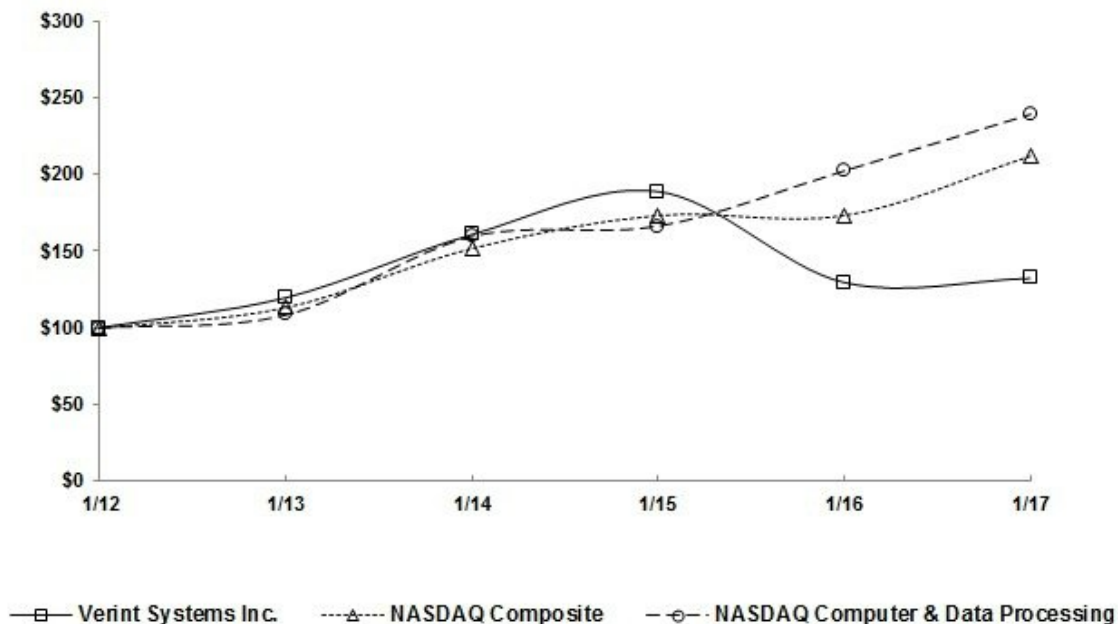
Any future determination as to the payment of dividends on our common stock will be made by our board of directors at its discretion, subject to the limitations contained in our Credit Agreement and will depend upon our earnings, financial condition, capital requirements, and other relevant factors.

Stock Performance Graph

The following table compares the cumulative total stockholder return on our common stock with the cumulative total return on the NASDAQ Composite Index and the NASDAQ Computer & Data Processing Services Index, assuming an investment of \$100 on January 31, 2012 through January 31, 2017, and the reinvestment of any dividends. The comparisons in the graph below are based upon the closing sale prices on NASDAQ for our common stock from January 31, 2012 through January 31, 2017. This data is not indicative of, nor intended to forecast, future performance of our common stock.

COMPARISON OF 5 YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN*

Among Verint Systems Inc., the NASDAQ Composite Index and the NASDAQ Computer & Data Processing Index



*\$100 invested on 1/31/12 in stock or index, including reinvestment of dividends.
Fiscal year ending January 31.

| January 31, | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Verint Systems Inc. | \$ 100.00 | \$ 119.52 | \$ 160.68 | \$ 188.76 | \$ 129.46 | \$ 132.07 |
| NASDAQ Composite Index | \$ 100.00 | \$ 113.43 | \$ 151.83 | \$ 173.28 | \$ 173.18 | \$ 211.73 |
| NASDAQ Computer & Data Processing Index | \$ 100.00 | \$ 108.33 | \$ 159.33 | \$ 166.04 | \$ 201.99 | \$ 238.65 |

Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities

None.

Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers

None.

On March 29, 2016, we announced that our board of directors had authorized a share repurchase program whereby we may make up to \$150 million in purchases of our outstanding shares of common stock over the two years following the date of announcement. Under the share repurchase program, purchases can be made from time to time using a variety of methods, which may include open market purchases. The specific timing, price and size of purchases will depend on prevailing stock prices, general market and economic conditions, and other considerations, including the amount of cash generated in the U.S. and other potential uses of cash, such as acquisitions. Purchases may be made through a Rule 10b5-1 plan pursuant to pre-determined metrics set forth in such plan. The board of directors' authorization of the share repurchase program does not obligate us to acquire any particular amount of common stock, and the program may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

We periodically purchase treasury stock from directors, officers, and other employees to facilitate income tax withholding and payment requirements upon vesting of equity awards during a company-imposed trading blackout or lockup periods. There was no such activity during the year ended January 31, 2017.

Share repurchase activity during the three months ended January 31, 2017 was as follows:

| Period | Total Number of Shares Purchased | Average Price Paid per Share (1) | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs | Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (in thousands) |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|
| November 1, 2016 - November 30, 2016 | — | — | — | — |
| December 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016 | 306,452 | \$ 35.89 | 306,452 | \$ 103,130 |
| January 1, 2017 - January 31, 2017 | — | — | — | — |
| Total | 306,452 | \$ 35.89 | 306,452 | — |

(1) Represents the approximate weighted-average price paid per share.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following selected consolidated financial data has been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements. The data below should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" under Item 7 and our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included under Item 8 of this report.

Our historical results should not be viewed as indicative of results expected for any future period.

Five-Year Selected Financial Highlights:

Consolidated Statements of Operations Data

| (in thousands, except per share data) | Year Ended January 31, | | | | |
|---|------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 |
| Revenue | \$ 1,062,106 | \$ 1,130,266 | \$ 1,128,436 | \$ 907,292 | \$ 839,542 |
| Operating income | \$ 17,366 | \$ 67,852 | \$ 79,111 | \$ 122,286 | \$ 99,553 |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (26,246) | \$ 22,228 | \$ 36,402 | \$ 58,776 | \$ 58,804 |
| Net (loss) income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | \$ (29,380) | \$ 17,638 | \$ 30,931 | \$ 53,757 | \$ 54,002 |
| Net (loss) income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. common shares | \$ (29,380) | \$ 17,638 | \$ 30,931 | \$ 53,583 | \$ 38,530 |
| Net (loss) income per share attributable to Verint Systems Inc.: | | | | | |
| Basic | \$ (0.47) | \$ 0.29 | \$ 0.53 | \$ 1.01 | \$ 0.97 |
| Diluted | \$ (0.47) | \$ 0.28 | \$ 0.52 | \$ 0.99 | \$ 0.96 |
| Weighted-average shares: | | | | | |
| Basic | 62,593 | 61,813 | 58,096 | 52,967 | 39,748 |
| Diluted | 62,593 | 62,921 | 59,374 | 53,878 | 40,312 |

We have never declared a cash dividend to common stockholders.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Data

| (in thousands) | January 31, | | | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 |
| Total assets | \$ 2,362,784 | \$ 2,355,735 | \$ 2,340,452 | \$ 1,768,192 | \$ 1,556,553 |
| Long-term debt, including current maturities | \$ 748,871 | \$ 738,087 | \$ 726,258 | \$ 637,670 | \$ 568,973 |
| Preferred stock | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 285,542 |
| Total stockholders' equity | \$ 1,015,040 | \$ 1,068,164 | \$ 1,004,903 | \$ 633,118 | \$ 229,676 |

During the five-year period ended January 31, 2017, we acquired a number of businesses, the more significant of which are identified in the table below. The operating results of acquired businesses have been included in our consolidated financial statements since their respective acquisition dates.

Our consolidated operating results and consolidated financial condition during the five-year period ended January 31, 2017 included the following notable transactions:

| As of and for the year ended January 31, | Description |
|--|---|
| 2017 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of the acquisitions of Contact Solutions LLC in February 2016 and OpinionLab, Inc. in November 2016. |
| 2016 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None |
| 2015 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of the acquisitions of KANA Software, Inc. and its subsidiaries ("KANA") in February 2014 and UTX Technologies Limited ("UTX") in March 2014. An income tax benefit of \$44.4 million resulting from the reduction of a valuation allowance on our deferred income tax assets recorded in connection with the acquisition of KANA; and Losses on early retirements of debt of \$12.5 million, primarily associated with an amendment to our Credit Agreement and the early partial retirement of our term loans. |
| 2014 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of the CTI Merger on February 4, 2013; and Losses on early retirements of debt of \$9.9 million, primarily associated with an amendment to our Credit Agreement. |
| 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional fees and related expenses of \$16.1 million associated with the CTI Merger. |

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following management's discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with "Business" under Item 1, "Selected Financial Data" under Item 6, and our consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto included under Item 8 of this report. This discussion contains a number of forward-looking statements, all of which are based on our current expectations and all of which could be affected by uncertainties and risks. Our actual results may differ materially from the results contemplated in these forward-looking statements as a result of many factors including, but not limited to, those described in "Risk Factors" under Item 1A of this report.

Overview

Our Business

Verint is a global leader in Actionable Intelligence solutions. Actionable Intelligence is a necessity in a dynamic world of massive information growth because it empowers organizations with crucial insights and enables decision makers to anticipate, respond, and take action. With Verint solutions and value-added services, organizations of all sizes and across many industries can make more informed, timely, and effective decisions. Today, over 10,000 organizations in more than 180 countries,

including over 80 percent of the Fortune 100, use Verint solutions to optimize customer engagement and make the world a safer place.

We have established leadership positions in Actionable Intelligence by developing highly-scalable, enterprise-class software and services with advanced, integrated analytics for both unstructured and structured information. Our innovative solutions are developed by a large research and development (“R&D”) team comprised of approximately 1,400 professionals and backed by more than 800 patents and patent applications worldwide.

To help our customers maximize the benefits of our technology over the solution lifecycle and provide a high degree of flexibility, we offer a broad range of services, such as strategic consulting, managed services, implementation services, training, maintenance, and 24x7 support. Additionally, we offer a broad range of deployment options, including cloud, on-premises, and hybrid, and software licensing and delivery models that include perpetual licenses and software as a service (“SaaS”).

Through July 31, 2016, we conducted our business in three operating segments—Enterprise Intelligence Solutions (“Enterprise Intelligence”), Cyber Intelligence Solutions (“Cyber Intelligence”), and Video and Situation Intelligence Solutions (“Video Intelligence”), through which we aligned our resources and domain expertise to effectively address Actionable Intelligence market opportunities. Our Enterprise Intelligence solutions served the Customer Engagement market, while our Cyber Intelligence solutions and Video Intelligence solutions served the Security Intelligence market. Solutions from all three operating segments served the Fraud, Risk, and Compliance market.

In August 2016, we reorganized into two businesses, and are now reporting our results in two operating segments, Customer Engagement Solutions (“Customer Engagement”) and Cyber Intelligence Solutions (“Cyber Intelligence”).

Over time, our Video Intelligence business had evolved to focus on two use cases: the first is fraud mitigation and loss prevention, and the second is situational intelligence and incident response. The fraud and loss prevention use case is applicable to our banking and retail customers, while the situational intelligence and incident response use case is applicable to other verticals, including our public sector and campus customers. As part of this evolution, in August 2016, we separated our Video Intelligence team to create better vertical market alignment and growth opportunities. We transitioned the banking and retail portion of the Video Intelligence team into our Enterprise Intelligence segment, aligning it with our large banking and retail customer presence in our Enterprise Intelligence segment. This combined segment has been named Customer Engagement Solutions. We transitioned the situational intelligence portion of the Video Intelligence team into our Cyber Intelligence segment, reflecting this business’s focus on security and public safety. We believe this change creates two strong businesses of scale, well positioned for growth in their respective markets, with dedicated management teams, unique product portfolios, and domain expertise, and aligns with the manner in which our CODM currently receives and uses financial information to allocate resources and evaluate the performance of our Customer Engagement and Cyber Intelligence businesses.

This change in segment reporting is reflected in the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended January 31, 2017 included in this report. Comparative segment financial information provided for prior periods has been recast to conform to this revised segment structure.

For the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, our Customer Engagement segment represented approximately 66%, 61%, and 63% of our total revenue, respectively, while for those same years, our Cyber Intelligence segment represented approximately 34%, 39%, and 37% of our total revenue, respectively.

Generally, we make business decisions by evaluating the risks and rewards of the opportunities available to us in the markets served by each of our segments. We view each operating segment differently and allocate capital, personnel, resources, and management attention accordingly. In reviewing each operating segment, we also review the performance of that segment by geography. Our marketing and sales strategies, expansion opportunities, and product offerings may differ materially within a particular segment geographically, as may our allocation of resources between segments. When making decisions regarding investment in our business, increasing capital expenditures, or making other decisions that may reduce our profitability, we also consider the leverage ratio in our revolving credit facility. See “— Liquidity and Capital Resources” for more information.

Key Trends and Factors That May Impact our Performance

We believe that there are many factors that affect our ability to sustain and increase both revenue and profitability, including:

- *Market acceptance of Actionable Intelligence solutions.* We compete in markets where the value of aspects of our products and solutions is still in the process of market acceptance. Our future growth depends in part on the continued and

increasing acceptance and realization of the value of our product offerings. However, we believe that organizations in both the enterprise and security markets want and need Actionable Intelligence solutions to help achieve their customer engagement, enhanced security, and risk mitigation goals.

- *Evolving technologies and market potential.* Our success depends in part on our ability to keep pace with technological changes, customer challenges, and evolving industry standards in our product offerings, successfully developing, launching, and driving demand for new, innovative, high-quality products and services that meet or exceed customer needs, and identifying, entering, and prioritizing areas of growing market potential, while migrating away from areas of commoditization. For example, in our Cyber Intelligence business, stronger and more frequent use of encryption has created significantly greater challenges for our customers and for our solutions to address. In our Customer Engagement business, we see increased interest in cloud-based solutions, as well as pricing pressure on legacy products.

In the enterprise market, we believe that today's customer-centric organizations are increasingly seeking Customer Engagement Optimization solutions that allow them to collect and analyze intelligence across different service channels to gain a better understanding of the performance of their workforce, the effectiveness of their service processes, the quality of their interactions, and changing customer behaviors, as well as to anticipate and prevent information security breaches, effectively authenticate customers, protect personal information, mitigate risk, prevent fraud, and help ensure compliance with evolving legal, regulatory, and internal requirements.

In the security market, we believe that terrorism, criminal activities, cyber-attacks, and other security threats, combined with new and more complex security challenges, including increasingly frequent and sophisticated cyber-attacks and increasingly complex and secure communication networks, are driving demand for Actionable Intelligence solutions to help anticipate, prepare, and respond to these threats.

- *Information technology and government spending.* Our growth and results depend in part on general economic conditions and the pace of information technology spending by both commercial and governmental customers. Beginning in the year ended January 31, 2016, we began experiencing extended sales cycles, particularly for large projects, a reduction in deal sizes, and pressure in certain areas of our legacy business. We have made adjustments in response to these market trends and believe that improvements in the economic environment and growing demand for our solutions will drive growth in both of our segments in the year ending January 31, 2018.

In our Customer Engagement segment, we have aligned our sales strategy to engage more closely with our customers on their long-term customer engagement optimization strategy and to focus on their near-term priorities and budget constraints, including by emphasizing the flexible and modular nature of our solution portfolio, in which a customer can make an initial purchase anywhere in our portfolio and then expand into other areas over time, or can make a larger, more transformational suite purchase all at once. We have also continued to increase the flexibility of our deployment model, affording our customers the choice of deploying our solutions on-premises or in the cloud, or a hybrid of both, and we also offer a menu of managed services.

In our Cyber Intelligence segment, we believe that our solutions have proven to be very effective in fighting terrorism and crime, which continues to be a high priority around the world. As a result, we have continued to expand our solutions portfolio to address emerging threats and have designed our solutions to address specific customer needs. We have also provided additional focus on smaller transactions, achieving a better mix of transaction sizes, for both our leading edge and legacy solutions, and have continued to expand our security domain expertise. We believe that global economic spending has stabilized, and with our ongoing investments in our markets, we believe we are well positioned to resume growth.

See Item 1, "Business", of this report for more information on key trends that we believe are driving demand for our solutions and "Risk Factors" under Item 1A of this report for a more complete description of risks that may impact future revenue and profitability.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

An appreciation of our critical accounting policies is necessary to understand our financial results. The accounting policies outlined below are considered to be critical because they can materially affect our operating results and financial condition, as these policies may require us to make difficult and subjective judgments regarding uncertainties. The accuracy of these estimates and the likelihood of future changes depend on a range of possible outcomes and a number of underlying variables, many of which are beyond our control, and there can be no assurance that our estimates are accurate.

Revenue Recognition

Our revenue recognition policy is a critical component of determining our operating results and is based on a complex set of accounting rules that require us to make significant judgments and estimates. We derive and report our revenue in two categories: (a) product revenue, including sale of hardware products (which include software that works together with the hardware to deliver the product's essential functionality) and licensing of software products, and (b) service and support revenue, including revenue from installation services, post-contract customer support ("PCS"), project management, hosting services, SaaS, application managed services, product warranties, business advisory consulting and training services. We follow the appropriate revenue recognition rules for each of these revenue streams. For additional information, see Note 1, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report. Revenue recognition for a particular arrangement is dependent upon such factors as the level of customization within the solution and the contractual delivery, acceptance, payment, and support terms with the customer. Significant judgment is required to conclude on each of these factors, and if we were to change any of these assumptions or judgments, it could cause a material increase or decrease in the amount of revenue that we report in a particular period.

We generally consider a purchase order or executed sales quote, when combined with a master license agreement, to constitute evidence of an arrangement. Delivery occurs when the product is shipped or transmitted and title and risk of loss have transferred to the customers. Our typical customer arrangements do not include substantive product acceptance provisions; however, if such provisions are provided, delivery is deemed to occur upon acceptance. We consider the fee to be fixed or determinable unless the fee is subject to refund or adjustment or is not payable within our standard payment terms. If the fee due from a customer is not fixed or determinable due to extended payment terms, revenue is recognized when payment becomes due or upon cash receipt, whichever is earlier.

For multiple-element arrangements comprised only of tangible products containing software components and non-software components and related services, we allocate revenue to each element in an arrangement based on a selling price hierarchy. The selling price for a deliverable is based on its vendor-specific objective evidence ("VSOE"), if available, third-party evidence ("TPE"), if VSOE is not available, or estimated selling price ("ESP"), if neither VSOE nor TPE is available. The total transaction revenue is allocated to the multiple elements based on each element's relative selling price compared to the total selling price.

We account for multiple-element arrangements that contain only software and software-related elements by allocating a portion of the total purchase price to the undelivered elements, primarily installation services, PCS, consulting, and training, using VSOE of fair value of the undelivered elements. The remaining portion of the total transaction value is allocated to the delivered software, referred to as the residual method. If we are unable to establish VSOE for the undelivered elements of the arrangement, revenue recognition is deferred for the entire arrangement until all elements of the arrangement are delivered, unless the only undelivered element is PCS, in which case we recognize the arrangement fee ratably over the PCS period.

For multiple-element arrangements that are comprised of a combination of software and non-software deliverables, the total transaction value is bifurcated between the software deliverables and non-software deliverables based on the relative selling prices of the software and non-software deliverables as a group. Revenue is then recognized for the software and software-related services following the residual method or ratably over the PCS period if VSOE for PCS does not exist, and for the non-software deliverables following the revenue recognition methodology outlined above for multiple-element arrangements that contain tangible products and other non-software related services.

Our policy for establishing VSOE for installation, business advisory consulting, and training is based upon an analysis of separate sales of services. We utilize either the substantive renewal rate approach or the bell-shaped curve approach to establish VSOE for our PCS offerings, depending upon the business segment, geographical region, or product line. The timing of revenue recognition on software licenses and other revenue could be significantly impacted if we are unable to maintain VSOE on one or more undelivered elements during any quarterly period. Loss of VSOE could result in (i) the complete deferral of all revenue or (ii) ratable recognition of all revenue under a customer arrangement until such time as VSOE is re-established. If we are unable to re-establish VSOE on one or more undelivered elements for an extended period of time it would impact our ability to accurately forecast the timing of quarterly revenue, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

If we are unable to determine the selling price because VSOE or TPE does not exist, we determine ESP for the purposes of allocating the arrangement by considering several external and internal factors including, but not limited to, pricing practices, similar product offerings, margin objectives, geographies in which we offer our products and services, internal costs, competition, and product lifecycle. The determination of ESP is made through consultation with and approval by our management, taking into consideration our go-to-market strategies. We have established processes to update ESP for each element, when appropriate, to ensure that it reflects recent pricing experience.

PCS revenue is derived from providing technical software support services and unspecified software updates and upgrades to customers on a when-and-if-available basis. PCS revenue is recognized ratably over the term of the maintenance period which, in most cases, is one year. When PCS is included within a multiple-element arrangement, we utilize either the substantive renewal rate approach or the bell-shaped curve approach to establish VSOE of the PCS, depending upon the business operating segment, geographical region, or product line.

Under the substantive renewal rate approach, we believe it is necessary to evaluate whether both the support renewal rate and term are substantive, and whether the renewal rate is being consistently applied to subsequent renewals for a particular customer. We establish VSOE under this approach through analyzing the renewal rate stated in the customer agreement and determining whether that rate is above the minimum substantive VSOE renewal rate established for that particular PCS offering. The minimum substantive VSOE rate is determined based upon an analysis of renewal rates associated with historical PCS contracts. Typically, renewal rates of 15% for PCS plans that provide when-and-if-available upgrades, and 10% for plans that do not provide for when-and-if-available upgrades, would be deemed to be minimum substantive renewal rates.

Under the bell-shaped curve approach of establishing VSOE, we perform a VSOE compliance test to ensure that a substantial majority (75% or over) of our actual PCS renewals are within a narrow range of plus or minus 15% of the median pricing.

Some of our arrangements require significant customization of the product to meet the particular requirements of the customer. For these arrangements, revenue is recognized under contract accounting methods, typically using the percentage of completion ("POC") method. Under the POC method, revenue recognition is generally based upon the ratio of hours incurred to date to the total estimated hours required to complete the contract. Profit estimates on long-term contracts are revised periodically based on changes in circumstances, and any losses on contracts are recognized in the period that such losses become evident. Generally, the terms of long-term contracts provide for progress billings based on completion of milestones or other defined phases of work. Significant judgment is often required when estimating total hours and progress to completion on these arrangements, as well as whether a loss is expected to be incurred on the contract due to several factors including the degree of customization required and the customer's existing environment. We use historical experience, project plans, and an assessment of the risks and uncertainties inherent in the arrangement to establish these estimates. Uncertainties in these arrangements include implementation delays or performance issues that may or may not be within our control.

We extend customary trade payment terms to our customers in the normal course of conducting business. To assess the probability of collection for purposes of revenue recognition, we have established credit policies that establish prudent credit limits for our customers. These credit limits are based upon our risk assessment of the customer's ability to pay, their payment history, geographic risk, and other factors, and are not contingent upon the resale of the product or upon the collection of payments from their customers. These credit limits are reviewed and revised periodically on the basis of updated customer financial statement information, payment performance, and other factors. When a customer is not deemed creditworthy, revenue is recognized when payment is received.

We record provisions for estimated product returns in the same period in which the associated revenue is recognized. We base these estimates of product returns upon historical levels of sales returns and other known factors. Actual product returns could be different from our estimates and current or future provisions for product returns may differ from historical provisions. Concessions granted to customers are recorded as reductions to revenue in the period in which they were granted and have been minimal in both amount and frequency.

Product revenue derived from shipments to resellers and OEMs who purchase our products for resale are generally recognized when such products are shipped (on a "sell-in" basis) since we do not expect our resellers or OEMs to carry inventory of our products. This policy is predicated on our ability to estimate sales returns as well as other criteria regarding these customers. We are also required to evaluate whether our resellers and OEMs have the ability to honor their commitment to make fixed or determinable payments regardless of whether they collect payment from their customers. In this regard, we assess whether our resellers and OEMs are new, poorly capitalized, or experiencing financial difficulty, and whether they have a pattern of not paying as amounts become due on previous arrangements or seeking payment terms longer than those provided to end customers. If we were to change any of these assumptions or judgments, it could cause a material change to the revenue reported in a particular period. We have historically experienced insignificant product returns from resellers and OEMs, and our payment terms for these customers are similar to those granted to our end-users. Our policy also presumes that we have no significant performance obligations in connection with the sale of our products by our resellers and OEMs to their customers. If a reseller or OEM develops a pattern of payment delinquency, or seeks payment terms longer than generally granted to our resellers or OEMs, we defer the recognition of revenue from transactions with that reseller or OEM until the receipt of cash.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

We estimate the collectability of our accounts receivable balances each accounting period and adjust our allowance for doubtful accounts accordingly. We exercise a considerable amount of judgment in assessing the collectability of accounts receivable, including consideration of the creditworthiness of each customer, their collection history, and the related aging of past due accounts receivable balances. We evaluate specific accounts when we learn that a customer may be experiencing a deterioration of its financial condition due to lower credit ratings, bankruptcy, or other factors that may affect its ability to render payment.

Accounting for Business Combinations

We allocate the purchase price of acquired companies to the tangible and intangible assets acquired, including in-process research and development assets, and liabilities assumed, based upon their estimated fair values at the acquisition date. These fair values are typically estimated with assistance from independent valuation specialists. The purchase price allocation process requires us to make significant estimates and assumptions, especially at the acquisition date with respect to intangible assets, contractual support obligations assumed, and pre-acquisition contingencies.

Although we believe the assumptions and estimates we have made in the past have been reasonable and appropriate, they are based in part on historical experience and information obtained from the management of the acquired companies and are inherently uncertain.

Examples of critical estimates in valuing certain of the intangible assets we have acquired or may acquire in the future include but are not limited to:

- future expected cash flows from software license sales, support agreements, consulting contracts, other customer contracts, and acquired developed technologies;
- expected costs to develop in-process research and development into commercially viable products and estimated cash flows from the projects when completed;
- the acquired company's brand and competitive position, as well as assumptions about the period of time the acquired brand will continue to be used in the combined company's product portfolio;
- cost of capital and discount rates; and
- estimating the useful lives of acquired assets as well as the pattern or manner in which the assets will amortize.

In connection with the purchase price allocations for applicable acquisitions, we estimate the fair value of the contractual support obligations we are assuming from the acquired business. The estimated fair value of the support obligations is determined utilizing a cost build-up approach, which determines fair value by estimating the costs related to fulfilling the obligations plus a reasonable profit margin. The estimated costs to fulfill the support obligations are based on the historical direct costs related to providing the support services. The sum of these costs and operating profit represents an approximation of the amount that we would be required to pay a third party to assume the support obligations.

Impairment of Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

We test goodwill for impairment at the reporting unit level, which can be an operating segment or one level below an operating segment, on an annual basis as of November 1, or more frequently if changes in facts and circumstances indicate that impairment in the value of goodwill may exist. As of January 31, 2017, our reporting units are Customer Engagement, Cyber Intelligence (excluding situational intelligence solutions), and the Situational Intelligence business of our former Video Intelligence segment, which is now a component of our Cyber Intelligence operating segment.

We review goodwill for impairment utilizing either a qualitative assessment or a two-step process. If we decide that it is appropriate to perform a qualitative assessment and conclude that the fair value of a reporting unit more likely than not exceeds its carrying value, no further evaluation is necessary. For reporting units where we perform the two-step process, the first step requires us to estimate the fair value of each reporting unit and compare that fair value to the respective carrying value, which includes goodwill. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds its carrying value, the goodwill is not considered impaired and no further evaluation is necessary. If the carrying value is higher than the estimated fair value, there is an indication that impairment may exist and the second step is required. In the second step, the implied fair value of goodwill is calculated as the excess of the fair value of a reporting unit over the fair values assigned to its assets and liabilities. If the implied fair value of goodwill is less than the carrying value of the reporting unit's goodwill, the difference is recognized as an impairment charge.

For reporting units where we decide to perform a qualitative assessment, we assess and make judgments regarding a variety of factors which potentially impact the fair value of a reporting unit, including general economic conditions, industry and market-specific conditions, customer behavior, cost factors, our financial performance and trends, our strategies and business plans, capital requirements, management and personnel issues, and our stock price, among others. We then consider the totality of these and other factors, placing more weight on the events and circumstances that are judged to most affect a reporting unit's fair value or the carrying amount of its net assets, to reach a qualitative conclusion regarding whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit exceeds its carrying amount.

For reporting units where we perform the two-step process, we utilize some or all of three primary approaches to assess fair value: (a) an income-based approach, using projected discounted cash flows, (b) a market-based approach, using multiples of comparable companies, and (c) a transaction-based approach, using multiples for recent acquisitions of similar businesses made in the marketplace.

Our estimate of fair value of each reporting unit is based on a number of subjective factors, including: (a) appropriate consideration of valuation approaches (income approach, comparable public company approach, and comparable transaction approach), (b) estimates of future growth rates, (c) estimates of our future cost structure, (d) discount rates for our estimated cash flows, (e) selection of peer group companies for the comparable public company and the comparable transaction approaches, (f) required levels of working capital, (g) assumed terminal value, and (h) time horizon of cash flow forecasts.

The determination of reporting units also requires judgment. We assess whether a reporting unit exists within a reportable segment by identifying the unit, determining whether the unit qualifies as a business under GAAP, and assessing the availability and regular review by segment management of discrete financial information for the unit.

We review intangible assets that have finite useful lives and other long-lived assets when an event occurs indicating the potential for impairment. If any indicators are present, we perform a recoverability test by comparing the sum of the estimated undiscounted future cash flows attributable to the assets in question to their carrying amounts. If the undiscounted cash flows used in the test for recoverability are less than the long-lived assets carrying amount, we determine the fair value of the long-lived asset and recognize an impairment loss if the carrying amount of the long-lived asset exceeds its fair value. The impairment loss recognized is the amount by which the carrying amount of the long-lived asset exceeds its fair value.

For all of our goodwill and other intangible asset impairment reviews, the assumptions and estimates used in the process are complex and often subjective. They can be affected by a variety of factors, including external factors such as industry and economic trends, and internal factors such as changes in our business strategy or our internal forecasts. Although we believe the assumptions, judgments, and estimates we have used in our assessments are reasonable and appropriate, a material change in any of our assumptions or external factors could lead to future goodwill or other intangible asset impairment charges.

Based upon our November 1, 2016 goodwill impairment reviews, we concluded that the estimated fair values of our Customer Engagement, Cyber Intelligence, and Situational Intelligence reporting units significantly exceeded their carrying values. Our Customer Engagement, Cyber Intelligence, and Situational Intelligence reporting units carried goodwill of \$1.1 billion, \$121.6 million, and \$11.3 million, respectively, at January 31, 2017.

We did not record any impairments of goodwill for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, or 2015.

Income Taxes

We account for income taxes under the asset and liability method which includes the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in our consolidated financial statements. Under this approach, deferred taxes are recorded for the future tax consequences expected to occur when the reported amounts of assets and liabilities are recovered or paid. The provision for income taxes represents income taxes paid or payable for the current year plus deferred taxes. Deferred taxes result from differences between the financial statement and tax bases of our assets and liabilities, and are adjusted for changes in tax rates and tax laws when changes are enacted. The effects of future changes in income tax laws or rates are not anticipated.

We are subject to income taxes in the United States and numerous foreign jurisdictions. The calculation of our tax provision involves the application of complex tax laws and requires significant judgment and estimates.

We evaluate the realizability of our deferred tax assets for each jurisdiction in which we operate at each reporting date, and we establish a valuation allowance when it is more likely than not that all or a portion of our deferred tax assets will not be

realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income of the same character and in the same jurisdiction. We consider all available positive and negative evidence in making this assessment, including, but not limited to, the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, and tax planning strategies. In circumstances where there is sufficient negative evidence indicating that our deferred tax assets are not more likely than not realizable, we establish a valuation allowance.

We use a two-step approach to recognizing and measuring uncertain tax positions. The first step is to evaluate tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return by assessing whether they are more likely than not sustainable, based solely on their technical merits, upon examination, and including resolution of any related appeals or litigation process. The second step is to measure the associated tax benefit of each position as the largest amount that we believe is more likely than not realizable. Differences between the amount of tax benefits taken or expected to be taken in our income tax returns and the amount of tax benefits recognized in our financial statements represent our unrecognized income tax benefits, which we either record as a liability or as a reduction of deferred tax assets. Our policy is to include interest (expense and/or income) and penalties related to unrecognized income tax benefits as a component of the provision for income taxes.

Contingencies

We recognize an estimated loss from a claim or loss contingency when and if information available prior to issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that an asset has been impaired or a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Accounting for claims and contingencies requires the use of significant judgment and estimates. One notable potential source of loss contingencies is pending or threatened litigation. Legal counsel and other advisors and experts are consulted on issues related to litigation as well as on matters related to contingencies occurring in the ordinary course of business.

Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation

We recognize the cost of employee services received in exchange for awards of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award.

During the three-year period ended January 31, 2017, restricted stock units were our predominant stock-based payment award. The fair value of these awards is equivalent to the market value of our common stock on the grant date. In the past, we have also awarded stock options, the fair value of which is estimated on the date of grant using an option-pricing model. We use the Black-Scholes option-pricing model for this purpose, which requires the input of significant assumptions including an estimate of the average period of time employees will retain stock options before exercising them, the estimated volatility of our common stock price over the expected term, the number of options that will ultimately be forfeited before completing vesting requirements, and the risk-free interest rate.

We periodically award restricted stock units that vest upon the achievement of specified performance goals. Our estimate of the fair value of these performance-based awards requires an assessment of the probability that the specified performance criteria will be achieved. At each reporting date, we update our assessment of the probability that the specified performance criteria will be achieved and adjust our estimate of the fair value of the award, if necessary.

Changes in assumptions can materially affect the estimate of fair value of stock-based compensation and, consequently, the related expense recognized. The assumptions we use in calculating the fair value of stock-based payment awards represent our best estimates, which involve inherent uncertainties and the application of judgment. As a result, if factors change and we use different assumptions, our stock-based compensation expense could be materially different in the future.

Cost of Revenue

We have made an accounting policy election whereby certain costs of product revenue, including hardware and third-party software license fees, are capitalized and amortized over the same period that product revenue is recognized, while installation and other service costs are generally expensed as incurred, except for certain contracts recognized according to contract accounting.

For example, in a multiple-element arrangement where revenue is recognized over the PCS support period, the cost of revenue associated with the product is capitalized upon product delivery and amortized over that same period. However, the cost of revenue associated with the services is expensed as incurred in the period in which the services are performed. In addition, we expense customer acquisition and origination costs to selling, general and administrative expenses, including sales

commissions, as incurred, with the exception of certain sales referral fees in our Cyber Intelligence segment which are capitalized and amortized ratably over the revenue recognition period.

Results of Operations

Seasonality and Cyclicity

As is typical for many software and technology companies, our business is subject to seasonal and cyclical factors. In most years, our revenue and operating income are typically highest in the fourth quarter and lowest in the first quarter (prior to the impact of unusual or nonrecurring items). Moreover, revenue and operating income in the first quarter of a new year may be lower than in the fourth quarter of the preceding year, in some years, by a significant margin. In addition, we generally receive a higher volume of orders in the last month of a quarter, with orders concentrated in the later part of that month. We believe that these seasonal and cyclical factors primarily reflect customer spending patterns and budget cycles, as well as the impact of incentive compensation plans for our sales personnel. While seasonal and cyclical factors such as these are common in the software and technology industry, this pattern should not be considered a reliable indicator of our future revenue or financial performance. Many other factors, including general economic conditions, may also have an impact on our business and financial results.

Overview of Operating Results

The following table sets forth a summary of certain key financial information for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands, except per share data) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Revenue | \$ 1,062,106 | \$ 1,130,266 | \$ 1,128,436 |
| Operating income | \$ 17,366 | \$ 67,852 | \$ 79,111 |
| Net (loss) income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | \$ (29,380) | \$ 17,638 | \$ 30,931 |
| Net (loss) income per common share attributable to Verint Systems Inc.: | | | |
| Basic | \$ (0.47) | \$ 0.29 | \$ 0.53 |
| Diluted | \$ (0.47) | \$ 0.28 | \$ 0.52 |

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Our revenue decreased approximately \$68.2 million to \$1,062.1 million in the year ended January 31, 2017 from \$1,130.3 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. The decrease consisted of a \$76.9 million decrease in product revenue, partially offset by a \$8.7 million increase in service and support revenue. In our Cyber Intelligence segment, revenue decreased approximately \$79.2 million, or 18%, from \$435.4 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$356.2 million in the year ended January 31, 2017. The decrease consisted of a \$55.8 million decrease in product revenue and a \$23.4 million decrease in service and support revenue. In our Customer Engagement segment, revenue increased approximately \$11.0 million, or 2%, to \$705.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2017 from \$694.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. The increase consisted of a \$32.1 million increase in service and support revenue, partially offset by a \$21.1 million decrease in product revenue. For additional details on our revenue by segment, see "—Revenue by Operating Segment". Revenue in the Americas, EMEA, and APAC represented approximately 54%, 30%, and 16% of our total revenue, respectively, in the year ended January 31, 2017, compared to approximately 51%, 31%, and 18%, respectively, in the year ended January 31, 2016. Further details of changes in revenue are provided below.

Operating income was \$17.4 million in the year ended January 31, 2017 compared to \$67.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. This decrease in operating income was primarily due to a \$61.9 million decrease in gross profit primarily due to decreased gross profit in our Cyber Intelligence segment, partially offset by an \$11.4 million decrease in operating expenses, which primarily consisted of a \$6.6 million decrease in net research and development expenses and a \$5.7 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses. Further details of changes in operating income are provided below.

Net loss attributable to Verint Systems Inc. was \$29.4 million, and diluted net loss per common share was \$0.47 in the year ended January 31, 2017, compared to net income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. of \$17.6 million, and diluted net income per common share of \$0.28, in the year ended January 31, 2016. The decrease in net income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. and diluted net income per common share in the year ended January 31, 2017 was primarily due to decreased operating income, as described above, a \$1.5 million decrease net income attributable to our noncontrolling interest, a \$1.1 million increase in

interest expense, and a \$1.8 million increase in our provision for income taxes. These increases were partially offset by a \$5.3 million decrease in net foreign currency losses.

A portion of our business is conducted in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, and therefore our revenue and operating expenses are affected by fluctuations in applicable foreign currency exchange rates. When comparing average exchange rates for the year ended January 31, 2017 to average exchange rates for the year ended January 31, 2016, the U.S. dollar strengthened relative to the British pound sterling and our hedged Israeli shekel rate, resulting in an overall decrease in our revenue, cost of revenue, and operating expenses on a U.S. dollar-denominated basis. For the year ended January 31, 2017, had foreign exchange rates remained unchanged from rates in effect for the year ended January 31, 2016, our revenue would have been approximately \$10.2 million higher and our cost of revenue and operating expenses on a combined basis would have been approximately \$17.1 million higher, which would have resulted in a \$6.9 million decrease in operating income.

As of January 31, 2017, we employed approximately 5,100 professionals, including part-time employees and certain contractors, as compared to approximately 5,000 at January 31, 2016.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Our revenue increased approximately \$1.9 million to \$1,130.3 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 from \$1,128.4 million in the year ended January 31, 2015. The increase consisted of a \$34.1 million increase in service and support revenue, partially offset by a \$32.2 million decrease in product revenue. In our Cyber Intelligence segment, revenue increased approximately \$20.5 million, or 5%, from \$414.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$435.4 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. The increase consisted of a \$31.8 million increase in service and support revenue, partially offset by an \$11.3 million decrease in product revenue. In our Customer Engagement segment, revenue decreased approximately \$18.6 million, or 3%, to \$694.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 from \$713.5 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 due to a decrease in product revenue. For additional details on our revenue by segment, see "—Revenue by Operating Segment". Revenue in the Americas, EMEA, and APAC represented approximately 51%, 31%, and 18% of our total revenue, respectively, in the year ended January 31, 2016, compared to approximately 52%, 31%, and 17%, respectively, in the year ended January 31, 2015. Further details of changes in revenue are provided below.

Operating income was \$67.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 compared to \$79.1 million in the year ended January 31, 2015. This decrease in operating income was primarily due to an \$11.9 million decrease in gross profit primarily due to decreased gross profit in our Customer Engagement segment and a \$0.7 million decrease in operating expenses, which consisted of a \$2.6 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses and a \$2.1 million decrease in amortization of other acquired intangible assets, partially offset by a \$4.0 million increase in net research and development expenses. Further details of changes in operating income are provided below.

Net income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. was \$17.6 million, and diluted net income per common share was \$0.28, in the year ended January 31, 2016 compared to net income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. of \$30.9 million, and diluted net income per common share of \$0.52, in the year ended January 31, 2015. The decrease in net income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. and diluted net income per common share in the year ended January 31, 2016 was primarily due to a \$16.0 million decrease in our benefit for income taxes, from a benefit of \$15.0 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to an expense of \$1.0 million in the year ended January 31, 2016, and decreased operating income, as described above. These decreases to net income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. common shares were partially offset by a \$13.0 million decrease in other expense, net, primarily due to losses upon early retirement of debt recorded during the year ended January 31, 2015, with no comparable losses during the year ended January 31, 2016. Further details of changes in total other expense, net, are provided below.

When comparing average exchange rates for the year ended January 31, 2016 to average exchange rates for the year ended January 31, 2015, the U.S. dollar strengthened relative to the British pound sterling, euro, Israeli shekel (both hedged and unhedged), Australian dollar, Brazilian real, and Singapore dollar, resulting in an overall decrease in our revenue (primarily in our Customer Engagement and Cyber Intelligence segments), cost of revenue, and operating expenses on a U.S. dollar-denominated basis. For the year ended January 31, 2016, had foreign exchange rates remained unchanged from rates in effect for the year ended January 31, 2015, our revenue would have been approximately \$40.0 million higher and our cost of revenue and operating expenses on a combined basis would have been approximately \$44.6 million higher, which would have resulted in a \$4.6 million decrease in operating income.

As of January 31, 2016, we employed approximately 5,000 employees, including part-time employees and certain contractors, as compared to approximately 4,800 at January 31, 2015.

Revenue by Operating Segment

The following table sets forth revenue for each of our two operating segments for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | | % Change | |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2017 - 2016 | 2016 - 2015 |
| Customer Engagement | \$ 705,897 | \$ 694,857 | \$ 713,505 | 2% | (3)% |
| Cyber Intelligence | 356,209 | 435,409 | 414,931 | (18)% | 5% |
| Total revenue | \$ 1,062,106 | \$ 1,130,266 | \$ 1,128,436 | (6)% | —% |

Customer Engagement Segment

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Customer Engagement revenue increased approximately \$11.0 million, or 2%, from \$694.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$705.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2017. The increase consisted of a \$32.1 million increase in service and support revenue, partially offset by a \$21.1 million decrease in product revenue. We continue to experience a shift in our revenue mix from product revenue to service and support revenue as a result of several factors, including a higher component of service offerings in our standard arrangements (including licenses sold through cloud deployment), an increase in services associated with customer product upgrades, and growth in our customer install base. The increase in Customer Engagement revenue reflects the implementation of our product strategy of expanding our portfolio of Customer Engagement Solutions, through both internal development and acquisitions, and our go-to-market strategy of offering customers the ability to purchase our best-of-breed solutions individually or part of a more comprehensive deployment.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Customer Engagement revenue decreased approximately \$18.6 million, or 3%, from \$713.5 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$694.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. The decrease consisted of a \$20.9 million decrease in product revenue, partially offset by a \$2.3 million increase in service and support revenue. The decrease in product revenue reflects a \$31.9 million decrease in our former Enterprise Intelligence segment that reflects a lower aggregate value of executed license arrangements, which comprises the majority of our product revenue and which can fluctuate from period to period. This was partially offset by an \$11.0 million increase in product revenue from the banking and retail portion of our former Video Intelligence segment due to an increase in product deliveries to these customers during the year ended January 31, 2016 as compared to the year ended January 31, 2015. The decrease in service and support revenue was primarily due to a decrease in revenue from professional services and consulting projects in the year ended January 31, 2016, partially offset by an increase in support revenue. Our revenue during the year ended January 31, 2016 was also adversely affected by the impact of the strengthening of the U.S dollar relative to the currencies used in the foreign locations where we conduct business.

Cyber Intelligence Segment

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Cyber Intelligence revenue decreased approximately \$79.2 million, or 18%, from \$435.4 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$356.2 million in the year ended January 31, 2017. The decrease consisted of a \$55.8 million decrease in product revenue and a \$23.4 million decrease in service and support revenue. The decrease in product revenue was primarily due to a decrease in product deliveries and, to a lesser extent, a decrease in progress realized during the current year on projects with revenue recognized using the percentage of completion ("POC") method, some of which commenced in previous years. The decrease in service and support revenue was primarily attributable to a decrease in progress realized during the current year on projects with revenue recognized using the POC method, some of which commenced in previous years, partially offset by an increase in support and other value-added services revenue from new and existing customers.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Cyber Intelligence revenue increased approximately \$20.5 million, or 5%, from \$414.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$435.4 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. The increase consisted of a \$31.8 million increase in service and support revenue, partially offset by a \$11.3 million decrease in product revenue. The increase in service and support revenue was primarily attributable to an increase in progress realized during the current year on projects with revenue recognized using the POC method, some of which commenced in the previous year, and an increase in support revenue from new and existing customers. The decrease in product revenue was primarily due to a decrease in product deliveries to customers, partially offset by an increase in progress realized during the current year on projects with revenue recognized using the POC method, some of which commenced in the previous year. Our revenue during the year ended January 31, 2016 was also adversely affected by the impact of the strengthening of the U.S dollar relative to the currencies used in the foreign locations where we conduct business.

Volume and Price

We sell products in multiple configurations, and the price of any particular product varies depending on the configuration of the product sold. Due to the variety of customized configurations for each product we sell, we are unable to quantify the amount of any revenue increase attributable to a change in the price of any particular product and/or a change in the number of products sold.

Product Revenue and Service and Support Revenue

We derive and report our revenue in two categories: (a) product revenue, including licensing of software products and sale of hardware products (which include software that works together with the hardware to deliver the product's essential functionality), and (b) service and support revenue, including revenue from installation services, post-contract customer support, project management, hosting services, SaaS, application managed services, product warranties, and business advisory consulting and training services.

The following table sets forth product revenue and service and support revenue for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | | % Change | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2017 - 2016 | 2016 - 2015 |
| Product revenue | \$ 378,504 | \$ 455,406 | \$ 487,617 | (17)% | (7)% |
| Service and support revenue | 683,602 | 674,860 | 640,819 | 1% | 5% |
| Total revenue | \$ 1,062,106 | \$ 1,130,266 | \$ 1,128,436 | (6)% | —% |

Product Revenue

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Product revenue decreased approximately \$76.9 million, or 17%, from \$455.4 million for the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$378.5 million for the year ended January 31, 2017, resulting from a \$55.8 million decrease in our Cyber Intelligence segment and a \$21.1 million decrease in our Customer Engagement segment.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Product revenue decreased approximately \$32.2 million, or 7%, from \$487.6 million for the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$455.4 million for the year ended January 31, 2016, resulting from a \$20.9 million decrease in our Customer Engagement segment and a \$11.3 million decrease in our Cyber Intelligence segment.

For additional information see "—Revenue by Operating Segment".

Service and Support Revenue

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Service and support revenue increased approximately \$8.7 million, or 1%, from \$674.9 million for the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$683.6 million for the year ended January 31, 2017, resulting from a \$32.1 million increase in our Customer Engagement segment, partially offset by a decrease of \$23.4 million in our Cyber Intelligence segment.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Service and support revenue increased approximately \$34.1 million, or 5%, from \$640.8 million for the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$674.9 million for the year ended January 31, 2016. This increase was primarily attributable to increases of \$31.8 million and \$2.3 million in our Cyber Intelligence and Customer Engagement segments, respectively.

For additional information see "— Revenue by Operating Segment".

Cost of Revenue

The following table sets forth cost of revenue by product and service and support, as well as amortization of acquired technology and backlog for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | | % Change | |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2017 - 2016 | 2016 - 2015 |
| Cost of product revenue | \$ 123,279 | \$ 145,071 | \$ 144,870 | (15)% | —% |
| Cost of service and support revenue | 261,978 | 248,061 | 239,274 | 6% | 4% |
| Amortization of acquired technology and backlog | 37,372 | 35,774 | 31,004 | 4% | 15% |
| Total cost of revenue | \$ 422,629 | \$ 428,906 | \$ 415,148 | (1)% | 3% |

We exclude certain costs of both product revenue and service and support revenue, including shared support costs, stock-based compensation, and asset impairment charges, among others, when calculating our operating segment gross margins.

Cost of Product Revenue

Cost of product revenue primarily consists of hardware material costs and royalties due to third parties for software components that are embedded in our software solutions. When revenue is deferred, we also defer hardware material costs and third-party software royalties and recognize those costs over the same period that the product revenue is recognized. Cost of product revenue also includes amortization of capitalized software development costs, employee compensation and related expenses associated with our global operations, facility costs, and other allocated overhead expenses. In our Cyber Intelligence segment, cost of product revenue also includes employee compensation and related expenses, contractor and consulting expenses, and travel expenses, in each case for resources dedicated to project management and associated product delivery.

Our product gross margins are impacted by the mix of products that we sell from period to period. As with many other technology companies, our software products tend to have higher gross margins than our hardware products.

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Cost of product revenue decreased approximately 15% from \$145.1 million for the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$123.3 million for the year ended January 31, 2017 primarily due to decreased cost of product revenue in our Cyber Intelligence segment as a result of decreased Cyber Intelligence product revenue discussed above. Our overall product gross margins decreased to 67% in the year ended January 31, 2017 from 68% in the year ended January 31, 2016. Product gross margins in our Customer Engagement segment were 82% in each of the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016. Product gross margins in our Cyber Intelligence segment decreased from 62% in the year ended January 31, 2016 to 57% in the year ended January 31, 2017 primarily due to a change in product mix and decreased product revenue, resulting in decreased absorption of fixed overhead costs during in the year ended January 31, 2017 compared to the year ended January 31, 2016.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Cost of product revenue remained relatively unchanged at \$145.1 million for the year ended January 31, 2016 compared to \$144.9 million for the year ended January 31, 2015. For the year ended January 31, 2016, we recorded a \$3.2 million charge for the impairment of certain technology assets associated with a prior business combination in our Cyber Intelligence segment. For the year ended January 31, 2015, we recorded a \$2.6 million charge for the impairment of certain capitalized software development costs, reflecting strategy changes in certain product development initiatives in our Cyber Intelligence segment as a result of the UTX acquisition. Our overall product gross margins decreased to 68% in the year ended January 31, 2016 from 70% in the year ended January 31, 2015. As noted above, certain costs are not allocated to our operating segments when we calculate product gross margins by operating segment. Product gross margins in our Customer Engagement segment decreased to 82% in the year ended January 31, 2016 from 85% in the year ended January 31, 2015. Product gross margins in our Cyber Intelligence segment increased from 61% in the year ended January 31, 2015 to 62% in the year ended January 31, 2016. The above changes in product gross margins are primarily attributable to changes in product mix in the year ended January 31, 2016 compared to the year ended January 31, 2015.

Cost of Service and Support Revenue

Cost of service and support revenue primarily consists of employee compensation and related expenses, contractor costs, hosting infrastructure costs, and travel expenses relating to installation, training, application managed services, consulting, and maintenance services. Cost of service and support revenue also includes stock-based compensation expenses, facility costs, and other overhead expenses. In accordance with GAAP and our accounting policy, the cost of service and support revenue is generally expensed as incurred in the period in which the services are performed, with the exception of certain transactions accounted for using the POC method.

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Cost of service and support revenue increased approximately 6% from \$248.1 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$262.0 million in the year ended January 31, 2017. Cost of service and support revenue increased in our Customer Engagement segment primarily due to increased employee compensation and related expense in our Customer Engagement segment as a result of additional services employee headcount in connection with business combinations that closed in the year ended January 31, 2017. This increase was partially offset primarily by decreased cost of service and support revenue in our Cyber Intelligence segment primarily due to decreased employee compensation and related expense. Our overall service and support gross margins decreased from 63% in the year ended January 31, 2016 to 62% in the year ended January 31, 2017.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Cost of service and support revenue increased approximately 4% from \$239.3 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$248.1 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. The increase is primarily attributable to an \$11.3 million increase in employee compensation and related expenses due primarily to increased services and support employee headcount chiefly in our Cyber Intelligence segment, and a \$3.4 million increase in contractor costs due to increase use of contractors in our Cyber Intelligence and Customer Engagement segments during the year ended January 31, 2016 compared to the year ended January 31, 2015. These increases were partially offset by a \$2.4 million decrease in travel expenses primarily in our Customer Engagement segment and a \$1.3 million decrease in materials expense incurred to provide services primarily in our Customer Engagement segment. Our overall service and support gross margins were 63% in each of the years ended January 31, 2016 and 2015.

Amortization of Acquired Technology and Backlog

Amortization of acquired technology and backlog consists of amortization of technology assets and customer backlog acquired in connection with business combinations.

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Amortization of acquired technology and backlog increased approximately 4% from \$35.8 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$37.4 million in the year ended January 31, 2017. The increase was attributable to amortization expense of acquired technology-based intangible assets associated with business combinations that closed during the year ended January 31, 2017, partially offset by a decrease in amortization expense as a result of acquired technology intangibles from historical business combinations becoming fully amortized.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Amortization of acquired technology and backlog increased approximately 15% from \$31.0 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$35.8 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 primarily due to an increase in amortization expense of acquired technology-based intangible assets associated with business combinations that closed during the year ended January 31, 2016.

Further discussion regarding our business combinations appears in Note 4, "Business Combinations" to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report.

Research and Development, Net

Research and development expenses consist primarily of personnel and subcontracting expenses, facility costs, and other allocated overhead, net of certain software development costs that are capitalized, as well as reimbursements under government programs. Software development costs are capitalized upon the establishment of technological feasibility and continue to be capitalized through the general release of the related software product.

The following table sets forth research and development, net for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | | % Change | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2017 - 2016 | 2016 - 2015 |
| Research and development, net | \$ 171,070 | \$ 177,650 | \$ 173,748 | (4)% | 2% |

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Research and development, net decreased approximately \$6.6 million, or 4%, from \$177.7 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$171.1 million in the year ended January 31, 2017. The decrease is primarily due to decreased employee compensation and related expenses as a result of decreased research and development employee headcount in both of our operating segments.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Research and development, net increased approximately \$4.0 million, or 2%, from \$173.7 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$177.7 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. The increase was primarily attributable to a \$2.8 million increase in stock-based compensation expense due to a combination of an increase in the number of outstanding RSUs, higher expenses associated with performance-based RSUs, and higher grant-date stock prices during the year ended January 31, 2016 (which are used to determine the grant-date fair value of an RSU), and our bonus share program, further details for which appear in Note 13, "Stock-Based Compensation and Other Benefit Plans" to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report. Research and development reimbursements received from government programs decreased \$1.1 million during the year ended January 31, 2016, primarily in our Customer Engagement segment, resulting in an increase in research and development expense compared to the year ended January 31, 2015.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses consist primarily of personnel costs and related expenses, professional fees, sales and marketing expenses, including travel, sales commissions and sales referral fees, facility costs, communication expenses, and other administrative expenses.

The following table sets forth selling, general and administrative expenses for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | | % Change | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2017 - 2016 | 2016 - 2015 |
| Selling, general and administrative | \$ 406,952 | \$ 412,728 | \$ 415,266 | (1)% | (1)% |

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased approximately \$5.7 million, or 1%, from \$412.7 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$407.0 million in the year ended January 31, 2017. This decrease was primarily attributable to the following:

- \$4.2 million decrease as a result of increased capitalized software development costs compared to the year ended January 31, 2016;
- \$3.3 million decrease in employee compensation and related expenses due primarily to a decrease in headcount of general and administrative employees; and
- \$5.3 million decrease in agent commissions in our Cyber Intelligence segment.

These decreases were partially offset by an \$8.2 million increase in selling, general, and administrative expenses due to the change in fair value of our obligations under contingent consideration arrangements from a net benefit of \$0.9 million during the year ended January 31, 2016 to net expense of \$7.3 million in the year ended January 31, 2017.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased approximately \$2.6 million, or 1%, from \$415.3 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$412.7 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. This decrease was primarily attributable to the following:

- \$3.8 million decrease in sales commissions expense due primarily to decreased product bookings in our Customer Engagement segment;
- \$2.8 million decrease in employee compensation and related expenses due primarily to a decrease in headcount of general and administrative employees in our Customer Engagement segment;
- \$2.3 million decrease in accounting, legal, and other professional service fees primarily due to higher use of such services during the year ended January 31, 2015 as a result of services provided in connection with the KANA and UTX acquisitions;
- \$2.1 million decrease in travel expenses due primarily to decreased travel expenses in our Customer Engagement segment; and
- \$1.8 million decrease in selling, general, and administrative expenses resulting from the change in fair value of our obligations under contingent consideration arrangements from a \$0.9 million net expense during the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$0.9 million net benefit during the year ended January 31, 2016.

These decreases were partially offset by increases of \$6.4 million and \$2.5 million in stock-based compensation expense and facilities expenses, respectively. Stock-based compensation expense increased primarily due to a combination of an increase in the number of outstanding RSUs, higher expenses associated with performance-based RSUs, and higher grant-date stock prices during the year ended January 31, 2016 (which are used to determine the grant-date fair value of an RSU), and our bonus share

program, further details for which appear in Note 13, "Stock-Based Compensation and Other Benefit Plans" to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report. Facilities expenses increased due primarily to the early termination of a facility lease in the Americas region, and costs associated with entering our new headquarters in Melville, New York.

Amortization of Other Acquired Intangible Assets

Amortization of other acquired intangible assets consists of amortization of certain intangible assets acquired in connection with business combinations, including customer relationships, distribution networks, trade names and non-compete agreements. The following table sets forth amortization of other acquired intangible assets for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | | % Change | |
|--|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2017 - 2016 | 2016 - 2015 |
| Amortization of other acquired intangible assets | \$ 44,089 | \$ 43,130 | \$ 45,163 | 2% | (5)% |

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Amortization of other acquired intangible assets increased approximately \$1.0 million, or 2%, from \$43.1 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$44.1 million in the year ended January 31, 2017 primarily due to amortization expense from acquired intangible assets from business combinations that closed during the year ended January 31, 2017, partially offset by a decrease in amortization expense as a result of acquired other intangibles from historical business combinations becoming fully amortized.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Amortization of other acquired intangible assets decreased approximately \$2.1 million, or 5%, from \$45.2 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$43.1 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 primarily due to acquired intangible assets from historical business combinations becoming fully amortized during the year ended January 31, 2016, resulting in decreased amortization on those intangibles compared to the year ended January 31, 2015. This decrease was partially offset by amortization associated with business combinations that closed during the year ended January 31, 2016.

Further discussion regarding our business combinations appears in Note 4, "Business Combinations" to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report.

Other Expense, Net

The following table sets forth total other expense, net for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | | % Change | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2017 - 2016 | 2016 - 2015 |
| Interest income | \$ 1,048 | \$ 1,490 | \$ 1,070 | (30)% | 39% |
| Interest expense | (34,962) | (33,885) | (36,661) | 3% | (8)% |
| Losses on early retirements of debt | — | — | (12,546) | —% | (100)% |
| Other (expense) income: | | | | | |
| Foreign currency losses | (2,743) | (8,037) | (13,402) | (66)% | (40)% |
| (Losses) gains on derivatives | (322) | 394 | 3,986 | * | * |
| Other, net | (3,861) | (4,634) | (155) | (17)% | * |
| Total other expense | (6,926) | (12,277) | (9,571) | (44)% | 28% |
| Total other expense, net | \$ (40,840) | \$ (44,672) | \$ (57,708) | (9)% | (23)% |

* Percentage is not meaningful.

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Total other expense, net, decreased by \$3.9 million from \$44.7 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 to \$40.8 million in the year ended January 31, 2017.

Interest expense increased to \$35.0 million in the year ended January 31, 2017 from \$33.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 primarily due to higher interest rates on outstanding borrowings during the year ended January 31, 2017.

We recorded \$2.7 million of net foreign currency losses in the year ended January 31, 2017 compared to \$8.0 million of net losses in the year ended January 31, 2016. Foreign currency losses in the year ended January 31, 2017 resulted primarily from

the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against the British pound sterling, resulting in foreign currency losses on U.S dollar-denominated net liabilities in certain entities which use the British pound sterling functional currency, and the weakening of the U.S. dollar against the Brazilian real, resulting in foreign currency losses on U.S dollar-denominated net assets in certain entities which use the Brazilian real function currency.

In the year ended January 31, 2017, there were net losses on derivative financial instruments (not designated as hedging instruments) of \$0.3 million, compared to net gains of \$0.4 million on such instruments for the year ended January 31, 2016. The net losses in the current year reflected losses on contracts executed to hedge movements in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the Brazilian real.

Other net expenses decreased to \$3.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2017 from \$4.6 million in the year ended January 31, 2016. In the year ended January 31, 2017, we recorded a write-off of a \$2.4 million cost-basis investment in our Cyber Intelligence segment. In the year ended January 31, 2016, other, net expense consisted primarily of write-offs of indemnification assets associated with tax liabilities recorded in connection with prior business combinations.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Total other expense, net, decreased by \$13.0 million from \$57.7 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 to \$44.7 million in the year ended January 31, 2016.

During the year ended January 31, 2015, we recorded a \$12.5 million loss upon early retirements of debt. Of this amount, \$7.1 million was recorded in connection with the extinguishment of previously outstanding amounts under our Credit Agreement, and \$5.5 million was recorded in connection with the retirement of \$530.0 million of the February 2014 Term Loans and March 2014 Term Loans (defined below). Further discussion regarding our credit facilities appears in Note 6, “Long-Term Debt” to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report.

Interest expense decreased to \$33.9 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 from \$36.7 million in the year ended January 31, 2015 primarily due to lower interest rates on outstanding borrowings during the year ended January 31, 2016.

We recorded \$8.0 million of net foreign currency losses in the year ended January 31, 2016 compared to \$13.4 million of net losses in the year ended January 31, 2015. Foreign currency losses in the year ended January 31, 2016 resulted primarily from the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against the Singapore dollar, euro, and Canadian dollar resulting in foreign currency losses on our Singapore dollar, euro, and Canadian dollar-denominated net assets, respectively, in certain entities which use a U.S. dollar functional currency. Also contributing to the net foreign currency loss was the strengthening of the U.S dollar against the British pound sterling, resulting in foreign currency losses on U.S dollar-denominated net liabilities in certain entities which use a British pound sterling functional currency, and the strengthening of the U.S dollar against the Brazilian real, resulting in foreign currency losses on U.S dollar denominated net liabilities in certain entities which use a Brazilian real functional currency.

In the year ended January 31, 2016, there were net gains on derivative financial instruments (not designated as hedging instruments) of \$0.4 million, compared to net gains of \$4.0 million on such instruments for the year ended January 31, 2015. The net gains in the current year reflected gains on contracts executed to hedge movements in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the euro.

Other net expenses increased to \$4.6 million in the year ended January 31, 2016 from \$0.2 million in the year ended January 31, 2015. Other, net, expense in the year ended January 31, 2016 consisted primarily of write-offs of indemnification assets associated with tax liabilities recorded in connection with prior business combinations.

Provision (Benefit) for Income Taxes

The following table sets forth our provision (benefit) for income taxes for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | | % Change | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2017 - 2016 | 2016 - 2015 |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | \$ 2,772 | \$ 952 | \$ (14,999) | * | * |

* Percentage is not meaningful.

Year Ended January 31, 2017 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2016. Our effective income tax rate was negative 11.8% for the year ended January 31, 2017, compared to an effective income tax rate of 4.1% for the year ended January 31, 2016. For the year ended January 31, 2017, our effective income tax rate was lower than the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate of 35%

due to the release of \$10.4 million of Verint valuation allowances, and the mix and levels of income and losses among taxing jurisdictions, offset by changes in unrecognized income tax benefits. We maintain valuation allowances on our net U.S. deferred income tax assets related to federal and certain state jurisdictions. In connection with acquisitions during the fourth quarter of the year ended January 31, 2017 (OpinionLab and an acquisition deemed immaterial in our Customer Engagement segment), we recorded deferred income tax liabilities primarily attributable to acquired intangible assets to the extent the amortization will not be deductible for income tax purposes. Under accounting guidelines, because the amortization of the intangible assets in future periods provides a source of taxable income, we expect to realize a portion of our existing deferred income tax assets. As such, we reduced the valuation allowance recorded on our deferred income tax assets to the extent of the deferred income tax liabilities recorded. Because the valuation allowance related to existing Verint deferred income tax assets, the impact of the release was reflected as a discrete income tax benefit and not as a component of the acquisition accounting. In addition, pre-tax income in our profitable jurisdictions, where we recorded income tax provisions at rates lower than the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate, was lower than the pre-tax losses in our domestic and foreign jurisdictions where we maintain valuation allowances and did not record the related income tax benefits. The result was an income tax provision of \$2.8 million on a pre-tax loss of \$23.5 million, which represented a negative effective income tax rate of 11.8%. For the year ended January 31, 2016, our effective income tax rate was lower than the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate of 35% primarily due to mix and levels of income and losses among taxing jurisdictions and changes in unrecognized income tax benefits. We recorded tax benefits of \$20.2 million as a result of audit settlements and statute of limitation lapses related to domestic and foreign jurisdictions. Pre-tax income in our profitable jurisdictions, where we recorded income tax provisions at rates lower than the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate, was substantially offset by our domestic losses where we maintain valuation allowances and did not record the related income tax benefits. The result was an income tax provision of \$1.0 million on \$23.2 million of pre-tax income, which represented an effective income tax rate of 4.1%.

Year Ended January 31, 2016 compared to Year Ended January 31, 2015. Our effective income tax rate was 4.1% for the year ended January 31, 2016, compared to a negative effective income tax rate of 70.1% for the year ended January 31, 2015. For the year ended January 31, 2016, our effective income tax rate was lower than the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate of 35% primarily due to mix and levels of income and losses among taxing jurisdictions and changes in unrecognized income tax benefits. We recorded tax benefits of \$20.2 million related to changes in unrecognized income tax benefits as a result of audit settlements and statute of limitation lapses related to domestic and foreign jurisdictions. Pre-tax income in our profitable jurisdictions, where we recorded income tax provisions at rates lower than the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate, was substantially offset by our domestic losses where we maintain valuation allowances and did not record the related income tax benefits. The result was an income tax provision of \$1.0 million on \$23.2 million of pre-tax income, which represented an effective income tax rate of 4.1%. For the year ended January 31, 2015, our effective income tax rate was lower than the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate of 35% primarily due to the release of \$44.4 million of Verint valuation allowances. We maintain valuation allowances on our net U.S. deferred income tax assets related to federal and certain state jurisdictions. In connection with the acquisition of KANA on February 3, 2014, we recorded deferred income tax liabilities primarily attributable to acquired intangible assets to the extent the amortization will not be deductible for income tax purposes. Under accounting guidelines, because the amortization of the intangible assets in future periods provides a source of taxable income, we expect to realize a portion of our existing deferred income tax assets. As such, we reduced the valuation allowance recorded on our deferred income tax assets to the extent of the deferred income tax liabilities recorded. Because the valuation allowance related to existing Verint deferred income tax assets, the impact of the release was reflected as a discrete income tax benefit and not as a component of the KANA acquisition accounting. The effective income tax rate was also affected by the mix and levels of income and losses among taxing jurisdictions, changes in unrecognized income tax benefits, and the recording of valuation allowance on certain income tax attributes of a foreign subsidiary where we do not expect to realize the benefits. Pre-tax income in our profitable jurisdictions, where we recorded income tax provisions at rates lower than the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate, was substantially offset by our domestic losses where we maintain valuation allowances and did not record the related income tax benefits. The result was an income tax benefit of \$15.0 million on \$21.4 million of pre-tax income, which represented a negative effective income tax rate of 70.1%.

The comparison of our effective income tax rates between periods is significantly impacted by the level and mix of earnings and losses by tax jurisdiction, foreign income tax rate differentials, amount of permanent book to tax differences, the impact of unrecognized tax benefits, and the effects of valuation allowances on certain loss jurisdictions.

Backlog

For most of our transactions, delivery generally occurs within several months following receipt of the order. However, certain projects, particularly in our Cyber Intelligence segment, can extend over longer periods of time, delivery under which, for various reasons, may be delayed, modified, or canceled. As a result, we believe that our backlog at any particular time is not meaningful because it is not necessarily indicative of future revenue.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Overview

Our primary recurring source of cash is the collection of proceeds from the sale of products and services to our customers, including cash periodically collected in advance of delivery or performance.

Our primary recurring use of cash is payment of our operating costs, which consist primarily of employee-related expenses, such as compensation and benefits, as well as general operating expenses for marketing, facilities and overhead costs, and capital expenditures. We also utilize cash for debt service under our Credit Agreement and our Notes, and periodically for business acquisitions. Cash generated from operations, along with our existing cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments, are our primary sources of operating liquidity, and we believe that our operating liquidity is sufficient to support our current business operations, including debt service and capital expenditure requirements.

We have historically expanded our business in part by investing in strategic growth initiatives, including acquisitions of products, technologies, and businesses. We have used cash as consideration for substantially all of our historical business acquisitions, including approximately \$142 million of net cash expended for business acquisitions during the year ended January 31, 2017.

We continually examine our options with respect to terms and sources of existing and future short-term and long-term capital resources to enhance our operating results and to ensure that we retain financial flexibility, and may from time to time elect to raise additional equity or debt capital in the capital markets.

A considerable portion of our operating income is earned outside the United States. Cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments, and restricted cash and bank time deposits (excluding any long-term portions) held by our subsidiaries outside of the United States were \$282.1 million and \$306.1 million as of January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and are generally used to fund the subsidiaries' operating requirements and to invest in growth initiatives, including business acquisitions. These subsidiaries also held long-term restricted cash and bank time deposits of \$54.5 million and \$15.4 million at January 31, 2017 and January 31, 2016, respectively. We currently do not anticipate that we will need funds generated from foreign operations to fund our domestic operations for the next 12 months or for the foreseeable future.

Should other circumstances arise whereby we require more capital in the United States than is generated by our domestic operations, or should we otherwise consider it in our best interests, we could repatriate future earnings from foreign jurisdictions, which could result in higher effective tax rates. If available, our NOLs, particularly those in the United States, could reduce potential income tax liabilities that may result from repatriated earnings from foreign jurisdictions to the United States. We generally have not provided for deferred income taxes on the excess of the amount for financial reporting over the tax basis of investments in our foreign subsidiaries because we currently plan to indefinitely reinvest such earnings outside the United States.

The following table sets forth our cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and bank time deposits, short-term investments and long-term debt as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 307,363 | \$ 352,105 |
| Restricted cash and bank time deposits (excluding long term portions) | 9,198 | 11,820 |
| Short-term investments | 3,184 | 55,982 |
| Total cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash and bank time deposits, and short-term investments | \$ 319,745 | \$ 419,907 |
| Total debt, including current maturities | \$ 748,871 | \$ 738,087 |

The principal activities comprising the net decrease in cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash and bank time deposits, and short-term investments during the year ended January 31, 2017 were expenditures of \$142 million for business acquisitions, \$47 million for stock repurchases, \$30 million for investments in property, equipment, and capitalized software development costs, and a \$37 million increase in restrictions on the use of certain existing cash balances, which are required to secure contractual

performance obligations, resulting in such restricted cash being classified within other assets on our consolidated balance sheet. These uses of cash were partially offset by \$172 million of cash generated from operating activities.

Consolidated Cash Flow Activity

The following table summarizes selected items from our consolidated statements of cash flows for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 172,415 | \$ 156,903 | \$ 193,725 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (156,028) | (75,600) | (676,835) |
| Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities | (56,919) | (10,204) | 395,713 |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | (4,210) | (4,066) | (6,149) |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents | \$ (44,742) | \$ 67,033 | \$ (93,546) |

Our operating activities generated \$172.4 million of cash during the year ended January 31, 2017, which was offset by \$212.9 million of net cash used in combined investing and financing activities during this period. Further discussion of these items appears below.

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities is driven primarily by our net income or loss, as adjusted for non-cash items, and working capital changes. Operating activities generated \$172.4 million of net cash during the year ended January 31, 2017, compared to \$156.9 million generated during the year ended January 31, 2016. Our operating cash flow improved, despite reporting a net loss in the year ended January 31, 2017 compared to net income in the prior year, and despite \$12.4 million of higher net income tax payments.

Operating activities generated \$156.9 million of net cash during the year ended January 31, 2016, compared to \$193.7 million generated during the year ended January 31, 2015 primarily due to lower net income.

Our cash flow from operating activities can fluctuate from period to period due to several factors, including the timing of our billings and collections, the timing and amounts of interest, income tax and other payments, and our operating results.

Net Cash Used in Investing Activities

During the year ended January 31, 2017, our investing activities used \$156.0 million of net cash, including \$141.8 million of net cash utilized for business acquisitions, \$29.9 million of payments for property, equipment, and capitalized software development costs, and a \$36.6 million increase in restricted cash and bank time deposits during the period. Restricted cash and bank time deposits are typically short-term deposits used to secure bank guarantees in connection with sales contracts, the amounts of which will fluctuate from period to period. The increase in restricted cash and bank time deposits during the year ended January 31, 2017 reflected increased restricted cash associated with several large sales contracts. Partially offsetting those uses were \$52.6 million of net proceeds from sales, maturities, and purchases of short-term investments.

During the year ended January 31, 2016, our investing activities used \$75.6 million of net cash, the primary components of which were \$31.4 million of net cash utilized for business acquisitions, \$30.3 million of payments for property, equipment, and capitalized software development costs, and \$21.4 million of net purchases of short-term investments during the year. Partially offsetting those uses was \$7.5 million of net cash provided by other investing activities, consisting primarily of decreases in restricted cash and bank time deposits during the period.

During the year ended January 31, 2015, our investing activities used \$676.8 million of net cash, the primary component of which was \$605.3 million of net cash utilized for business acquisitions, including the acquisitions of KANA in February 2014 and UTX in March 2014. We also had a \$36.3 million increase in restricted cash and bank time deposits during this period. The increase in restricted cash and bank time deposits during the year reflected deposits associated with several large sales contracts. In addition, during the year we made \$29.2 million of payments for property, equipment, and capitalized software development costs, and made \$7.5 million of net purchases of short-term investments.

We had no significant commitments for capital expenditures at January 31, 2017.

Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Financing Activities

For the year ended January 31, 2017, our financing activities used \$56.9 million of net cash, the most significant portions of which were payments of \$46.9 million for stock repurchases under our share repurchase program, \$3.3 million for repayments of borrowings and other financing obligations, \$3.2 million for the financing portion of payments under contingent consideration arrangements related to prior business combinations, and dividend payments of \$2.4 million to the noncontrolling interest holders in a joint venture which serves as a systems integrator for certain Asian markets.

For the year ended January 31, 2016, our financing activities used \$10.2 million of net cash, including payments of \$7.2 million for the financing portion of payments under contingent consideration arrangements related to prior business combinations, and dividend payments of \$3.2 million to the noncontrolling interest holders in our joint venture.

For the year ended January 31, 2015, our financing activities provided \$395.7 million of net cash. In connection with the February 2014 acquisition of KANA, we incurred \$300.0 million of incremental term loans and borrowed \$125.0 million under the revolving credit facility under our Credit Agreement (defined below). Additionally, in March 2014, we incurred \$643.5 million of new term loans, the proceeds of which were used to repay \$643.5 million of prior term loans. In June 2014, we completed concurrent public offerings of 5,750,000 shares of our common stock, gross proceeds from which were \$274.6 million, and \$400.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 1.50% convertible senior notes. We used \$15.6 million of the net proceeds from these offerings to pay the net costs of an arrangement consisting of the purchase of call options and the sale of warrants to purchase our common stock, the intent of which is to reduce the potential dilution to our common stock upon conversion of the Notes. We used the majority of the remainder of the net proceeds to retire \$530.0 million of the February 2014 Term Loans and March 2014 Term Loans, and all \$106.0 million of then-outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit facility under our Credit Agreement. In connection with these various financing activities, we paid \$29.2 million of debt and equity issuance costs, including underwriting discounts and commissions associated with the public offerings. Other financing activities during the year ended January 31, 2015 included payments of \$10.4 million for the financing portion of payments under contingent consideration arrangements related to prior business combinations, and the receipt of \$17.6 million of proceeds from exercises of stock options.

Liquidity and Capital Resources Requirements

Based on past performance and current expectations, we believe that our cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments and cash generated from operations will be sufficient to meet anticipated operating costs, required payments of principal and interest, working capital needs, ordinary course capital expenditures, research and development spending, and other commitments for at least the next 12 months. Currently, we have no plans to pay any cash dividends on our common stock, which are not permitted under our Credit Agreement.

Our liquidity could be negatively impacted by a decrease in demand for our products and service and support, including the impact of changes in customer buying behavior due to circumstances over which we have no control. If we determine to make additional business acquisitions or otherwise require additional funds, we may need to raise additional capital, which could involve the issuance of additional equity or debt securities.

On March 29, 2016, we announced that our board of directors had authorized a share repurchase program whereby we may make up to \$150 million in purchases of our outstanding shares of common stock over the two years following the date of announcement. Under the share repurchase program, purchases can be made from time to time using a variety of methods, which may include open market purchases. The specific timing, price and size of purchases will depend on prevailing stock prices, general market and economic conditions, and other considerations, including the amount of cash generated in the U.S. and other potential uses of cash, such as acquisitions. Purchases may be made through a Rule 10b5-1 plan pursuant to pre-determined metrics set forth in such plan. The board of directors' authorization of the share repurchase program does not obligate us to acquire any particular amount of common stock, and the program may be suspended or discontinued at any time. During the year ended January 31, 2017, we acquired 1,306,000 shares of treasury stock at a cost of \$46.9 million under this program.

Financing Arrangements

1.50% Convertible Senior Notes

On June 18, 2014, we issued \$400.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 1.50% convertible senior notes due June 1, 2021, unless earlier converted by the holders pursuant to their terms. The Notes pay interest in cash semiannually in arrears at a rate of 1.50% per annum.

The Notes were issued concurrently with our issuance of 5,750,000 shares of common stock, the majority of the combined net proceeds of which were used to partially repay certain indebtedness under our Credit Agreement, as further described below.

The Notes are unsecured and rank senior in right of payment to our indebtedness that is expressly subordinated in right of payment to the Notes; equal in right of payment to our indebtedness that is not so subordinated; effectively subordinated in right of payment to any of our secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness; and structurally subordinated to indebtedness and other liabilities of our subsidiaries.

The Notes are convertible into, at our election, cash, shares of common stock, or a combination of both, subject to satisfaction of specified conditions and during specified periods, as described below. If converted, we currently intend to pay cash in respect of the principal amount.

The conversion price of the Notes at any time is equal to \$1,000 divided by the then-applicable conversion rate. The Notes have an initial conversion rate of 15.5129 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of Notes, which represents an initial effective conversion price of approximately \$64.46 per share of common stock and would result in the issuance of approximately 6,205,000 shares if all of the Notes were converted. Throughout the term of the Notes, the conversion rate may be adjusted upon the occurrence of certain events.

Holders may surrender their Notes for conversion at any time prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding December 1, 2020, only under the following circumstances:

- during any calendar quarter commencing after the calendar quarter ending on September 30, 2014, if the closing sale price of our common stock, for at least 20 trading days (whether or not consecutive) in the period of 30 consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the immediately preceding calendar quarter, is more than 130% of the conversion price of the Notes in effect on each applicable trading day;
- during the ten consecutive trading-day period following any five consecutive trading-day period in which the trading price for the Notes for each such trading day was less than 98% of the closing sale price of our common stock on such date multiplied by the then-current conversion rate; or
- upon the occurrence of specified corporate events, as described in the indenture governing the Notes, such as a consolidation, merger, or binding share exchange.

On or after December 1, 2020 until the close of business on the second scheduled trading day immediately preceding the maturity date, holders may surrender their Notes for conversion regardless of whether any of the foregoing conditions have been satisfied. Holders of the Notes may require us to purchase for cash all or any portion of their Notes upon the occurrence of a “fundamental change” at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes being purchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

As of January 31, 2017, the Notes were not convertible.

Note Hedges and Warrants

Concurrently with the issuance of the Notes, we entered into convertible note hedge transactions (the “Note Hedges”) and sold warrants (the “Warrants”). The combination of the Note Hedges and the Warrants serves to increase the effective initial conversion price for the Notes to \$75.00 per share. The Note Hedges and Warrants are each separate instruments from the Notes.

Note Hedges

Pursuant to the Note Hedges, we purchased call options on our common stock, under which we have the right to acquire from the counterparties up to approximately 6,205,000 shares of our common stock, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, at a price of \$64.46, which equals the initial conversion price of the Notes. Our exercise rights under the Note Hedges generally trigger upon conversion of the Notes and the Note Hedges terminate upon maturity of the Notes, or the first day the Notes are no longer outstanding. The Note Hedges may be settled in cash, shares of our common stock, or a combination thereof, at our option, and are intended to reduce our exposure to potential dilution upon conversion of the Notes. We paid \$60.8 million for the Note Hedges, which was recorded as a reduction to additional paid-in capital. As of January 31, 2017, we had not purchased any shares under the Note Hedges.

Warrants

We sold the Warrants to several counterparties. The Warrants provide the counterparties rights to acquire from us up to approximately 6,205,000 shares of our common stock at a price of \$75.00 per share. The Warrants expire incrementally on a series of expiration dates beginning in August 2021. At expiration, if the market price per share of our common stock exceeds the strike price of the Warrants, we will be obligated to issue shares of our common stock having a value equal to such excess. The proceeds from the sale of the Warrants were \$45.2 million and were recorded as additional paid-in capital. As of January 31, 2017, no Warrants had been exercised and all Warrants remained outstanding.

Credit Agreement

In April 2011, we entered into a credit agreement with our lenders, which was amended and restated in March 2013, and further amended in February 2014, March 2014, and June 2014 (the "Credit Agreement"). The Credit Agreement, as amended and restated, provides for senior secured credit facilities, comprised of \$943.5 million of term loans, of which \$300.0 million was borrowed in February 2014 (the "February 2014 Term Loans") and of which \$643.5 million was borrowed in March 2014 (the "March 2014 Term Loans"), all of which mature in September 2019, and a \$300.0 million revolving credit facility maturing in September 2018, subject to increase and reduction from time to time, as described in the Credit Agreement.

The February 2014 Term Loans were borrowed in connection with our acquisition of Kana. The March 2014 Term Loans were borrowed as part of a refinancing of previously outstanding amounts under the Credit Agreement. In June 2014, we utilized the majority of the combined net proceeds from the issuance of the Notes and the concurrent issuance of 5,750,000 shares of common stock to retire \$530.0 million of the February 2014 Term Loans and March 2014 Term Loans, and all \$106.0 million of then-outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility.

As of January 31, 2017, there were \$409.0 million of combined borrowings outstanding under our February 2014 Term Loans and March 2014 Term Loans, bearing interest at a weighted-average annual rate of 3.58%, and no borrowings outstanding under our revolving credit facility.

On February 11, 2016, we executed a pay-fixed, receive-variable interest rate swap with a multinational financial institution to partially mitigate risks associated with the variable interest rate on our term loans under which we will pay interest at a fixed rate of 4.143% and receive variable interest of three-month LIBOR (subject to a minimum of 0.75%), plus a spread of 2.75%, on a notional amount of \$200.0 million. The effective date of the agreement is November 1, 2016, and settlements with the counterparty will occur on a quarterly basis, beginning on February 1, 2017. The agreement will terminate on September 6, 2019. Assuming that we elect three-month LIBOR at the term loans' interest rate reset dates, beginning on November 1, 2016 and throughout the term of the interest rate swap agreement, the annual interest rate on \$200.0 million of our term loans will be fixed at 4.143% during that period.

Beginning in the three months ending October 31, 2016, we are required to make quarterly principal payments of approximately \$1.1 million on our term loans. The vast majority of the term loan balances are due upon maturity in September 2019.

The revolving credit facility contains a financial covenant that currently requires us to maintain a ratio of Consolidated Total Debt to Consolidated EBITDA (each as defined in the Credit Agreement) of no greater than 4.50 to 1 (the "Leverage Ratio Covenant"). At January 31, 2017, our consolidated leverage ratio was approximately 2.9 to 1 compared to a permitted consolidated leverage ratio of 4.50 to 1, and our EBITDA for the twelve-month period then ended exceeded by at least \$80 million the minimum EBITDA required to satisfy the Leverage Ratio Covenant given our outstanding debt as of such date.

Contractual Obligations

At January 31, 2017, our contractual obligations were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Payments Due by Period | | | | |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| | Total | < 1 year | 1-3 years | 3-5 years | > 5 years |
| Long-term debt obligations, including interest | \$ 878,545 | \$ 25,282 | \$ 444,263 | \$ 409,000 | \$ — |
| Operating lease obligations | 154,190 | 25,447 | 42,003 | 29,795 | 56,945 |
| Purchase obligations | 83,560 | 73,839 | 9,655 | 66 | — |
| Other long-term obligations | 1,333 | 448 | 646 | 94 | 145 |
| Total contractual obligations | \$ 1,117,628 | \$ 125,016 | \$ 496,567 | \$ 438,955 | \$ 57,090 |

The long-term debt obligations reflected above include projected interest payments over the term of our outstanding debt as of January 31, 2017, assuming interest rates in effect for our term loan borrowings as of January 31, 2017.

Operating lease obligations reflected above exclude future sublease income from certain space we have subleased to third parties. As of January 31, 2017, total expected future sublease income was \$0.6 million and will range from \$0.2 million to \$0.4 million on an annual basis through August 2018.

Our purchase obligations are associated with agreements for purchases of goods or services generally including agreements that are enforceable and legally binding and that specify all significant terms, including fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum, or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the transactions. Agreements to purchase goods or services that have cancellation provisions with no penalties are excluded from these purchase obligations.

Our consolidated balance sheet at January 31, 2017 included \$28.2 million of non-current tax reserves, net of related benefits (including interest and penalties of \$3.9 million) for uncertain tax positions. However, these amounts are not included in the table above because it is not possible to predict or estimate the timing of payments for these obligations. We do not expect to make any significant payments for these uncertain tax positions within the next 12 months.

Contingent Payments Associated with Business Combinations

In connection with certain of our business combinations, we have agreed to make contingent cash payments to the former owners of the acquired companies based upon achievement of performance targets following the acquisition dates.

For the year ended January 31, 2017, we made \$3.3 million of payments under contingent consideration arrangements. As of January 31, 2017, potential future cash payments and earned consideration expected to be paid subsequent to January 31, 2017 under contingent consideration arrangements total \$100.2 million, the estimated fair value of which was \$52.7 million, including \$10.0 million reported in accrued expenses and other current liabilities, and \$42.7 million reported in other liabilities. The performance periods associated with these potential payments extend through January 2021.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As of January 31, 2017, we did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements that we believe have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenue or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources that are material to investors.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

New Accounting Pronouncements Recently Adopted

None

New Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Effective

In January 2017, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2017-01, *Business Combinations (Topic 805): Clarifying the Definition of a Business*, and ASU No. 2017-04, *Intangibles—Goodwill and Other (Topic 350) - Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment*.

ASU No. 2017-01 clarifies the definition of a business with the objective of adding guidance to assist entities with evaluating whether transactions should be accounted for as acquisitions (or disposals) of assets or businesses. The definition of a business affects many areas of accounting including acquisitions, disposals, goodwill, and consolidation. The guidance is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those periods. While we are still assessing the impact of this standard, we do not believe that the adoption of this guidance will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

ASU No. 2017-04 eliminates Step 2 of the goodwill impairment test and requires a goodwill impairment to be measured as the amount by which a reporting unit's carrying amount exceeds its fair value, not to exceed the carrying amount of its goodwill. The ASU is effective for annual or any interim goodwill impairment tests in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019.

While we are still assessing the impact of this standard, we do not believe that the adoption of this guidance will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-18, *Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Restricted Cash*. This update requires that a statement of cash flows explain the change during the period in the total of cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents. Therefore, amounts generally described as restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents should be included with cash and cash equivalents when reconciling the beginning-of-period and end-of-period total amounts shown on the statement of cash flows. This update also requires an entity to disclose the nature of restrictions on its cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents. ASU No. 2016-18 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those fiscal years with early adoption permitted, including adoption in an interim period. We typically have restrictions on certain amounts of cash and cash equivalents, primarily consisting of amounts used to secure bank guarantees in connection with sales contract performance obligations, and expect to continue to have similar restrictions in the future. We currently report changes in such restricted amounts as cash flows from investing activities on our consolidated statement of cash flows. This standard will change that presentation. We are currently reviewing this standard to assess other potential impacts on our future consolidated financial statements.

In October 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-16, *Income Taxes (Topic 740): Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory*, which requires entities to recognize the income tax consequences of an intra-entity transfer of an asset other than inventory when the transfer occurs. The new guidance is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted as of the beginning of an annual reporting period. The new standard must be adopted using a modified retrospective transition method, with the cumulative effect recognized as of the date of initial adoption. We are currently reviewing this standard to assess the impact on our future consolidated financial statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-15, *Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments*, which provides guidance with the intent of reducing diversity in practice in how certain cash receipts and cash payments are presented and classified in the statement of cash flows. ASU No. 2016-15 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those fiscal years with early adoption permitted, including adoption in an interim period. We are currently reviewing this standard to assess the impact on our future consolidated financial statements.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, *Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326)*. This new standard changes the impairment model for most financial assets and certain other instruments. Entities will be required to use a model that will result in the earlier recognition of allowances for losses for trade and other receivables, held-to-maturity debt securities, loans, and other instruments. For available-for-sale debt securities with unrealized losses, the losses will be recognized as allowances rather than as reductions in the amortized cost of the securities. The new standard is effective for annual periods, and for interim periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. We are currently reviewing this standard to assess the impact on our future consolidated financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-09, *Compensation—Stock Compensation (Topic 718)*, which amends the accounting for stock-based compensation and requires excess tax benefits and deficiencies to be recognized as a component of income tax expense rather than stockholders' equity. This guidance also requires excess tax benefits to be presented as an operating activity on the statement of cash flows and allows an entity to make an accounting policy election to either estimate expected forfeitures or to account for them as they occur. ASU No. 2016-09 is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. The most significant impact of the pending adoption of this guidance on our future consolidated financial statements, will largely be dependent upon the intrinsic value of our stock-based compensation awards at the time of vesting and may result in more variability in our effective tax rates and net (loss) income, and may also impact the calculation of common stock equivalents, which are used in calculating diluted net income per share. In addition, upon adoption of the new guidance, we will classify excess tax benefits or deficits as operating activities in the consolidated statements of cash flows rather than as financing activities.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*, which will require lessees to recognize assets and liabilities for leases with lease terms of more than 12 months. Consistent with current GAAP, the recognition, measurement, and presentation of expenses and cash flows arising from a lease by a lessee primarily will depend on its classification as a finance or operating lease. However, unlike current GAAP, which requires only capital leases to be recognized on the balance sheet, the new guidance will require both types of leases to be recognized on the balance sheet. The new guidance is effective for all periods beginning after December 15, 2018 and we are currently evaluating the effects that the adoption of ASU No. 2016-02 will have on our consolidated financial statements, but anticipate that the new guidance will significantly impact our consolidated financial statements given our significant number of leases.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*. ASU No. 2014-09 supersedes the revenue recognition requirements in Topic 605, Revenue Recognition, and most industry-specific revenue recognition guidance throughout the Industry Topics of the Accounting Standards Codification. Additionally, this update supersedes some cost guidance included in Subtopic 605-35, *Revenue Recognition-Construction-Type and Production-Type Contracts*. The core principle of the guidance is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. As originally issued, this guidance was effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and early adoption was not permitted. In July 2015, the FASB deferred the effective date by one year, to interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted, but not before the original effective date of December 15, 2016. The standard allows entities to apply the standard retrospectively to each prior reporting period presented (“full retrospective adoption”) or retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initially applying the standard recognized at the date of initial application (“modified retrospective adoption”). We currently expect to adopt ASU No. 2014-09 using the modified retrospective option.

We are continuing to review the impacts of adopting ASU No. 2014-09 to our consolidated financial statements. Based upon our preliminary assessments, we currently do not expect the new standard to materially impact the amount or timing of the majority of revenue recognized in our consolidated financial statements. We are still assessing the impact on the timing of revenue recognized under certain contracts under which customized solutions are delivered over extended periods of time. In addition, the timing of cost of revenue recognition for certain customer contracts requiring significant customization will change, because unlike current guidance, the new guidance precludes the deferral of costs simply to obtain an even profit margin over the contract term. We are also assessing the new standard’s requirement to capitalize costs associated with obtaining customer contracts, including commission payments, which are currently expensed as incurred. Under the new standard, these costs will be deferred on our consolidated balance sheet. We are evaluating the period over which to amortize these capitalized costs. In addition, for sales transactions that have been billed, but for which the recognition of revenue has been deferred and the related account receivable has not been collected, we currently do not recognize deferred revenue or the related accounts receivable on our consolidated balance sheet. Under the new standard, we will record accounts receivable and related contract liabilities for noncancelable contracts with customers when the right to consideration is unconditional, which we currently expect will result in increases in accounts receivable and contract liabilities (currently presented as deferred revenue) on our consolidated balance sheet, compared to our current presentation. Our preliminary assessments of the impacts to our consolidated financial statements of adopting this new standard are subject to change.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Market risk represents the risk of loss that may impact our financial condition due to adverse changes in financial market prices and rates. We are exposed to market risk related to changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations. To manage the volatility relating to interest rate and foreign currency risks, we periodically enter into derivative instruments including foreign currency forward exchange contracts and interest rate swap agreements. It is our policy to enter into derivative transactions only to the extent considered necessary to meet our risk management objectives. We use derivative instruments solely to reduce the financial impact of these risks and do not use derivative instruments for speculative purposes.

Interest Rate Risk on Our Debt

In June 2014, we issued \$400.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 1.50% convertible senior notes due June 1, 2021. Holders may convert the Notes prior to maturity upon the occurrence of certain conditions. Upon conversion, we would be required to pay the holders, at our election, cash, shares of common stock, or a combination of both. Concurrent with the issuance of the Notes, we entered into the Note Hedges and sold the Warrants. These separate transactions were completed to reduce our exposure to potential dilution upon conversion of the Notes.

The Notes have a fixed annual interest rate of 1.50% and therefore do not have interest rate exposure. However, the fair values of the Notes are subject to interest rate risk, market risk and other factors due to the convertible feature. The fair values of the Notes are also affected by our common stock price. Generally, the fair values of Notes will increase as interest rates fall and/or our common stock price increases, and decrease as interest rates rise and/or our common stock price decreases. Changes in the fair values of the Notes do not impact our financial position, cash flows, or results of operations due to the fixed nature of the debt obligations. We do not carry the Notes at fair value on our consolidated balance sheet, but we report the fair value of the Notes for disclosure purposes.

As of January 31, 2017, we have \$409.0 million of outstanding term loan borrowings maturing in September 2019 under our Credit Agreement, which also includes a \$300.0 million revolving credit facility maturing in September 2018, under which there were no outstanding borrowings at January 31, 2017. Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at our option at either a base rate plus a spread of 1.75% or an Adjusted LIBOR Rate, as defined in the Credit Agreement, plus a spread of 2.75%. As of January 31, 2017, the weighted-average annual interest rate on our term loan borrowings was 3.58%.

Because the interest rates applicable to borrowings under our Credit Agreement are variable, we are exposed to market risk from changes in the underlying index rates, which affect our cost of borrowing. To partially mitigate risks associated with the variable interest rate on our term loans, in February 2016, we executed a pay-fixed, receive-variable interest rate swap agreement with a multinational financial institution under which we pay interest at a fixed rate of 4.143% and receive variable interest of three-month LIBOR (subject to a minimum of 0.75%), plus a spread of 2.75%, on a notional amount of \$200.0 million. The effective date of the agreement was November 1, 2016, and settlements with the counterparty occur on a quarterly basis, beginning on February 1, 2017. The agreement will terminate on September 6, 2019. Throughout the term of the interest rate swap agreement, if we elect three-month LIBOR at the term loans' periodic interest rate reset dates for at least \$200.0 million of our term loans, as we did on November 1, 2016 and February 1, 2017, the annual interest rate on \$200.0 million of our term loans will be fixed at 4.143% for the applicable three-month interest rate period. As of January 31, 2017, the fair value of the interest rate swap agreement was a gain of \$1.0 million.

The periodic interest rates on unhedged borrowings under the Credit Agreement are currently a function of several factors, the most important of which is LIBOR. However, borrowings are subject to either a 0.75% (Eurodollar loans) or 1.00% (Base Rate loans) LIBOR floor in the interest rate calculation, which reduces the variability in the periodic interest rate when short-term LIBOR rates are below 0.75%. During the year ended January 31, 2017, short-term LIBOR rates increased above 0.75%, which has increased the periodic interest rate on unhedged borrowings under the Credit Agreement above 3.50% (the effective interest rate floor on Eurodollar loans), to 3.52% at January 31, 2017.

Excluding the impact of the interest swap agreement, upon our borrowings as of January 31, 2017, for each 1.00% increase in the applicable LIBOR Rate above the interest rate floor, our annual interest payments would increase by approximately \$4.1 million.

Interest Rate Risk on Our Investments

We invest in cash, cash equivalents, bank time deposits, and marketable debt securities. Interest rate changes could result in an increase or decrease in interest income we generate from these interest-bearing assets. Our cash, cash equivalents, and bank time deposits are primarily maintained at high credit-quality financial institutions around the world, and our marketable debt investments are restricted to highly rated corporate debt securities. We have not invested in marketable debt securities with remaining maturities in excess of twelve months or in marketable equity securities during the three-year period ended January 31, 2017.

The primary objective of our investment activities is the preservation of principal while maximizing investment income and minimizing risk. We have investment guidelines relative to diversification and maturities designed to maintain safety and liquidity.

As of January 31, 2017 and 2016, we had cash and cash equivalents totaling approximately \$307.4 million and \$352.1 million, respectively, consisting of demand deposits, bank time deposits with maturities of 90 days or less, money market accounts, and marketable debt securities with remaining maturities of 90 days or less. At such dates we also held \$63.8 million and \$27.2 million, respectively, of restricted cash and restricted bank time deposits (including long-term portions) which were not available for general operating use. These restricted balances primarily represent deposits to secure bank guarantees in connection with customer sales contracts. The amounts of these deposits can vary depending upon the terms of the underlying contracts. We also had short-term investments of \$3.2 million and \$56.0 million at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, consisting of bank time deposits and marketable debt securities of corporations, all with remaining maturities in excess of 90 days, but less than one year, at the time of purchase.

To provide a meaningful assessment of the interest rate risk associated with our investment portfolio, we performed a sensitivity analysis to determine the impact a change in interest rates would have on the value of the investment portfolio assuming, during the year ending January 31, 2017, average short-term interest rates increase or decrease by 50 basis points relative to average rates realized during the year ended January 31, 2016. Such a change would cause our projected interest income from cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash and bank time deposits, and short-term investments to increase or decrease by approximately \$1.9 million, assuming a similar level of investments in the year ending January 31, 2018 as in the year ended January 31, 2017.

Due to the short-term nature of our cash and cash equivalents, time deposits, money market accounts, and marketable debt securities, their carrying values approximate their market values and are not generally subject to price risk due to fluctuations in interest rates.

Foreign Currency Exchange Risk

The functional currency for most of our foreign subsidiaries is the applicable local currency, although we have several subsidiaries with functional currencies that differ from their local currency, of which the most notable exceptions are our subsidiaries in Israel, whose functional currencies are the U.S. dollar. We are exposed to foreign exchange rate fluctuations as we convert the financial statements of our foreign subsidiaries into U.S. dollars for consolidated reporting purposes. If there are changes in foreign currency exchange rates, the conversion of the foreign subsidiaries' financial statements into U.S. dollars results in a gain or loss which is recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within stockholders' equity.

For the year ended January 31, 2017, a significant portion of our operating expenses, primarily labor expenses, were denominated in the local currencies where our foreign operations are located, primarily Israel, the United Kingdom, Germany, certain other European countries whose functional currency is the euro, Australia, and Singapore. We also generate some portion of our revenue in foreign currencies, mainly the British pound sterling, euro, Singapore dollar, and Australian dollar. As a result, our consolidated U.S. dollar operating results are subject to the potentially material adverse impact of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and the other currencies in which we transact.

In addition, we have certain monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in currencies other than the respective entity's functional currency. Changes in the functional currency value of these assets and liabilities create fluctuations that result in gains or losses. We recorded net foreign currency losses of \$2.7 million, \$8.0 million, and \$13.4 million for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively, which are reported in other expense, net.

From time to time, we enter into foreign currency forward contracts in an effort to reduce the volatility of cash flows primarily related to forecasted payroll and payroll-related expenses denominated in Israeli shekels and Canadian dollars. Our 50% owned joint venture in Singapore periodically enters into foreign currency forward contracts in an effort to reduce the volatility of cash flows primarily related to forecasted U.S. dollar payments to its suppliers. These contracts are generally limited to durations of approximately 12 months or less. We have also periodically entered into foreign currency forward contracts to manage exposures resulting from forecasted customer collections denominated in currencies other than the respective entity's functional currency and exposures from cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments denominated in currencies other than the applicable functional currency.

During the year ended January 31, 2017, we recorded net losses of \$0.3 million on foreign currency forward contracts not designated as hedges for accounting purposes, and net gains on such contracts of \$0.4 million, and \$4.0 million for the years ended January 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. We had \$0.4 million of net unrealized gains on outstanding foreign currency forward contracts as of January 31, 2017, with notional amounts totaling \$144.0 million. We had \$2.3 million of net unrealized losses on outstanding foreign currency forward contracts as of January 31, 2016, with notional amounts totaling \$136.4 million.

A sensitivity analysis was performed on all of our foreign exchange derivatives as of January 31, 2017. This sensitivity analysis was based on a modeling technique that measures the hypothetical market value resulting from a 10% shift in the value of exchange rates relative to the U.S. dollar, and assumes no changes in interest rates. A 10% increase in the relative value of the U.S. dollar would decrease the estimated fair value of our foreign exchange derivatives by approximately \$6.3 million. Conversely, a 10% decrease in the relative value of the U.S. dollar would increase the estimated the fair value of these financial instruments by approximately \$7.7 million.

The counterparties to these foreign currency forward contracts are multinational commercial banks. While we believe the risk of counterparty nonperformance is not material, past disruptions in the global financial markets have impacted some of the financial institutions with which we do business. A sustained decline in the financial stability of financial institutions as a result of disruption in the financial markets could affect our ability to secure creditworthy counterparties for our foreign currency hedging programs.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of
Verint Systems Inc.
Melville, New York

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Verint Systems Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of January 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive loss, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended January 31, 2017. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Verint Systems Inc. and subsidiaries as of January 31, 2017 and 2016, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended January 31, 2017, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of January 31, 2017, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated March 28, 2017 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ *DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP*

New York, New York
March 28, 2017

VERINT SYSTEMS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Balance Sheets

| (in thousands, except share and per share data) | January 31, | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Assets | | |
| Current Assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 307,363 | \$ 352,105 |
| Restricted cash and bank time deposits | 9,198 | 11,820 |
| Short-term investments | 3,184 | 55,982 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1.8 million and \$1.2 million, respectively | 266,590 | 256,419 |
| Inventories | 17,537 | 18,312 |
| Deferred cost of revenue | 3,621 | 1,876 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 64,561 | 57,598 |
| Total current assets | 672,054 | 754,112 |
| Property and equipment, net | 77,551 | 68,904 |
| Goodwill | 1,264,818 | 1,207,176 |
| Intangible assets, net | 235,259 | 246,682 |
| Capitalized software development costs, net | 9,509 | 11,992 |
| Long-term deferred cost of revenue | 5,463 | 13,117 |
| Deferred income taxes | 21,510 | 17,528 |
| Other assets | 76,620 | 36,224 |
| Total assets | \$ 2,362,784 | \$ 2,355,735 |
| Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | | |
| Current Liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 62,049 | \$ 65,447 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 213,224 | 206,967 |
| Current maturities of long-term debt | 4,611 | 2,104 |
| Deferred revenue | 182,515 | 167,912 |
| Total current liabilities | 462,399 | 442,430 |
| Long-term debt | 744,260 | 735,983 |
| Long-term deferred revenue | 20,912 | 20,488 |
| Deferred income taxes | 25,814 | 27,042 |
| Other liabilities | 94,359 | 61,628 |
| Total liabilities | 1,347,744 | 1,287,571 |
| Commitments and Contingencies | | |
| Stockholders' Equity: | | |
| Preferred stock - \$0.001 par value; authorized 2,207,000 shares at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively; none issued. | — | — |
| Common stock - \$0.001 par value; authorized 120,000,000 shares. Issued 64,073,000 and 62,614,000 shares; outstanding 62,419,000 and 62,266,000 shares at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. | 64 | 63 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 1,449,335 | 1,387,955 |
| Treasury stock, at cost - 1,654,000 and 348,000 shares at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. | (57,147) | (10,251) |
| Accumulated deficit | (230,816) | (201,436) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (154,856) | (116,194) |
| Total Verint Systems Inc. stockholders' equity | 1,006,580 | 1,060,137 |
| Noncontrolling interest | 8,460 | 8,027 |
| Total stockholders' equity | 1,015,040 | 1,068,164 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ 2,362,784 | \$ 2,355,735 |

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

VERINT SYSTEMS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Operations

| (in thousands, except per share data) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Revenue: | | | |
| Product | \$ 378,504 | \$ 455,406 | \$ 487,617 |
| Service and support | 683,602 | 674,860 | 640,819 |
| Total revenue | 1,062,106 | 1,130,266 | 1,128,436 |
| Cost of revenue: | | | |
| Product | 123,279 | 145,071 | 144,870 |
| Service and support | 261,978 | 248,061 | 239,274 |
| Amortization of acquired technology and backlog | 37,372 | 35,774 | 31,004 |
| Total cost of revenue | 422,629 | 428,906 | 415,148 |
| Gross profit | 639,477 | 701,360 | 713,288 |
| Operating expenses: | | | |
| Research and development, net | 171,070 | 177,650 | 173,748 |
| Selling, general and administrative | 406,952 | 412,728 | 415,266 |
| Amortization of other acquired intangible assets | 44,089 | 43,130 | 45,163 |
| Total operating expenses | 622,111 | 633,508 | 634,177 |
| Operating income | 17,366 | 67,852 | 79,111 |
| Other income (expense), net: | | | |
| Interest income | 1,048 | 1,490 | 1,070 |
| Interest expense | (34,962) | (33,885) | (36,661) |
| Losses on early retirements of debt | — | — | (12,546) |
| Other expense, net | (6,926) | (12,277) | (9,571) |
| Total other expense, net | (40,840) | (44,672) | (57,708) |
| (Loss) income before provision (benefit) for income taxes | (23,474) | 23,180 | 21,403 |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | 2,772 | 952 | (14,999) |
| Net (loss) income | (26,246) | 22,228 | 36,402 |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest | 3,134 | 4,590 | 5,471 |
| Net (loss) income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | \$ (29,380) | \$ 17,638 | \$ 30,931 |
| Net (loss) income per common share attributable to Verint Systems Inc.: | | | |
| Basic | \$ (0.47) | \$ 0.29 | \$ 0.53 |
| Diluted | \$ (0.47) | \$ 0.28 | \$ 0.52 |
| Weighted-average common shares outstanding: | | | |
| Basic | 62,593 | 61,813 | 58,096 |
| Diluted | 62,593 | 62,921 | 59,374 |

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

VERINT SYSTEMS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (26,246) | \$ 22,228 | \$ 36,402 |
| Other comprehensive loss, net of reclassification adjustments: | | | |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments | (42,130) | (28,180) | (45,600) |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities | 110 | (211) | 92 |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) on derivative financial instruments designated as hedges | 2,750 | 6,919 | (10,547) |
| Net unrealized gains on interest rate swap designated as a hedge | 1,021 | — | — |
| (Provision) benefit for income taxes on net unrealized gains (losses) on derivative financial instruments and interest rate swap designated as hedges | (693) | (798) | 1,070 |
| Other comprehensive loss | (38,942) | (22,270) | (54,985) |
| Comprehensive loss | (65,188) | (42) | (18,583) |
| Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest | 2,854 | 4,179 | 5,096 |
| Comprehensive loss attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | \$ (68,042) | \$ (4,221) | \$ (23,679) |

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

VERINT SYSTEMS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity

| (in thousands) | Verint Systems Inc. Stockholders' Equity | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Common Stock | | Additional Paid-in Capital | Treasury Stock | Accumulated Deficit | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss | Total Verint Systems Inc. Stockholders' Equity | Non- controlling Interest | Total Stockholders' Equity |
| | Shares | Par Value | | | | | | | |
| Balances as of January 31, 2014 | 53,605 | \$ 54 | \$ 924,663 | \$ (8,013) | \$ (250,005) | \$ (39,725) | \$ 626,974 | \$ 6,144 | \$ 633,118 |
| Net income | — | — | — | — | 30,931 | — | 30,931 | 5,471 | 36,402 |
| Other comprehensive loss | — | — | — | — | — | (54,610) | (54,610) | (375) | (54,985) |
| Common stock issued in public offering, net of issuance costs | 5,750 | 6 | 264,927 | — | — | — | 264,933 | — | 264,933 |
| Equity component of convertible notes, net of issuance costs | — | — | 78,209 | — | — | — | 78,209 | — | 78,209 |
| Purchase of convertible note hedges | — | — | (60,800) | — | — | — | (60,800) | — | (60,800) |
| Issuance of warrants | — | — | 45,188 | — | — | — | 45,188 | — | 45,188 |
| Stock-based compensation - equity portion | — | — | 46,963 | — | — | — | 46,963 | — | 46,963 |
| Exercises of stock options | 505 | — | 17,520 | — | — | — | 17,520 | — | 17,520 |
| Common stock issued for stock awards and stock bonuses | 1,091 | 1 | 4,531 | — | — | — | 4,532 | — | 4,532 |
| Purchases of treasury stock | (46) | — | — | (2,238) | — | — | (2,238) | — | (2,238) |
| Dividends to noncontrolling interest | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | (4,193) | (4,193) |
| Tax effects from stock award plans | — | — | 254 | — | — | — | 254 | — | 254 |
| Balances as of January 31, 2015 | 60,905 | 61 | 1,321,455 | (10,251) | (219,074) | (94,335) | 997,856 | 7,047 | 1,004,903 |
| Net income | — | — | — | — | 17,638 | — | 17,638 | 4,590 | 22,228 |
| Other comprehensive loss | — | — | — | — | — | (21,859) | (21,859) | (411) | (22,270) |
| Stock-based compensation - equity portion | — | — | 58,028 | — | — | — | 58,028 | — | 58,028 |
| Exercises of stock options | 6 | — | 232 | — | — | — | 232 | — | 232 |
| Common stock issued for stock awards and stock bonuses | 1,355 | 2 | 7,743 | — | — | — | 7,745 | — | 7,745 |
| Dividends to noncontrolling interest | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | (3,199) | (3,199) |
| Tax effects from stock award plans | — | — | 497 | — | — | — | 497 | — | 497 |
| Balances as of January 31, 2016 | 62,266 | 63 | 1,387,955 | (10,251) | (201,436) | (116,194) | 1,060,137 | 8,027 | 1,068,164 |
| Net (loss) income | — | — | — | — | (29,380) | — | (29,380) | 3,134 | (26,246) |
| Other comprehensive loss | — | — | — | — | — | (38,662) | (38,662) | (280) | (38,942) |
| Stock-based compensation - equity portion | — | — | 55,123 | — | — | — | 55,123 | — | 55,123 |
| Exercises of stock options | 1 | — | 7 | — | — | — | 7 | — | 7 |
| Common stock issued for stock awards and stock bonuses | 1,458 | 1 | 6,952 | — | — | — | 6,953 | — | 6,953 |
| Purchases of treasury stock | (1,306) | — | — | (46,896) | — | — | (46,896) | — | (46,896) |
| Dividends to noncontrolling interest | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | (2,421) | (2,421) |
| Tax effects from stock award plans | — | — | (702) | — | — | — | (702) | — | (702) |
| Balances as of January 31, 2017 | 62,419 | \$ 64 | \$1,449,335 | \$(57,147) | \$ (230,816) | \$ (154,856) | \$ 1,006,580 | \$ 8,460 | \$ 1,015,040 |

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

VERINT SYSTEMS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | | |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (26,246) | \$ 22,228 | \$ 36,402 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 114,257 | 106,300 | 99,464 |
| Provision for doubtful accounts | 1,791 | 669 | 423 |
| Stock-based compensation, excluding cash-settled awards | 65,421 | 64,387 | 54,314 |
| Amortization of discount on convertible notes | 10,668 | 10,123 | 6,014 |
| Benefit for deferred income taxes | (16,941) | (5,640) | (47,331) |
| Excess tax benefits from stock award plans | (6) | (523) | (298) |
| Non-cash losses (gains) on derivative financial instruments, net | 323 | (394) | (3,986) |
| Losses on early retirements of debt | — | — | 12,546 |
| Other non-cash items, net | 7,666 | 12,343 | 8,928 |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of business combinations: | | | |
| Accounts receivable | (353) | 3,433 | (54,921) |
| Inventories | (286) | (3,258) | (4,223) |
| Deferred cost of revenue | 7,124 | 6,187 | (677) |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | 4,941 | (2,886) | 21,412 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | (9,521) | (15,260) | 33,412 |
| Deferred revenue | 8,705 | (12,364) | 24,057 |
| Other liabilities | 4,987 | (28,515) | 8,356 |
| Other, net | (115) | 73 | (167) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 172,415 | 156,903 | 193,725 |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | |
| Cash paid for business combinations, including adjustments, net of cash acquired | (141,803) | (31,358) | (605,279) |
| Purchases of property and equipment | (27,540) | (25,265) | (23,134) |
| Purchases of investments | (36,761) | (92,808) | (21,175) |
| Maturities and sales of investments | 89,342 | 71,457 | 13,653 |
| Settlements of derivative financial instruments not designated as hedges | (349) | 766 | 3,858 |
| Cash paid for capitalized software development costs | (2,338) | (5,027) | (6,083) |
| Change in restricted cash and bank time deposits, including long-term portion | (36,579) | 11,133 | (36,291) |
| Other investing activities | — | (4,498) | (2,384) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (156,028) | (75,600) | (676,835) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | | |
| Proceeds from borrowings, net of original issuance discount | — | — | 1,526,750 |
| Repayments of borrowings and other financing obligations | (3,308) | (309) | (1,361,852) |
| Proceeds from public issuance of common stock | — | — | 274,563 |
| Proceeds from issuance of warrants | — | — | 45,188 |
| Payments for convertible note hedges | — | — | (60,800) |
| Payments of equity issuance, debt issuance and other debt-related costs | (249) | (239) | (29,164) |
| Proceeds from exercises of stock options | 7 | 232 | 17,606 |
| Dividends paid to noncontrolling interest | (2,421) | (3,199) | (4,193) |
| Purchases of treasury stock | (46,896) | — | (2,238) |
| Excess tax benefits from stock award plans | 6 | 523 | 298 |
| Payments of contingent consideration for business combinations (financing portion) and other financing activities | (4,058) | (7,212) | (10,445) |
| Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities | (56,919) | (10,204) | 395,713 |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | (4,210) | (4,066) | (6,149) |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents | (44,742) | 67,033 | (93,546) |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year | 352,105 | 285,072 | 378,618 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of year | \$ 307,363 | \$ 352,105 | \$ 285,072 |

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

VERINT SYSTEMS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Business

Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms "Verint", "we", "us", and "our" in these notes to consolidated financial statements refer to Verint Systems Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

Verint is a global leader in Actionable Intelligence solutions. Actionable Intelligence is a necessity in a dynamic world of massive information growth because it empowers organizations with crucial insights and enables decision makers to anticipate, respond, and take action. With Verint solutions and value-added services, organizations of all sizes and across many industries can make more informed, timely, and effective decisions. Today, over 10,000 organizations in more than 180 countries, including over 80 percent of the Fortune 100, use Verint solutions to optimize customer engagement and make the world a safer place.

Verint delivers its Actionable Intelligence solutions through two operating segments: Customer Engagement Solutions and Cyber Intelligence Solutions.

We have established leadership positions in Actionable Intelligence by developing highly-scalable, enterprise-class software and services with advanced, integrated analytics for both unstructured and structured information. Our innovative solutions are developed by a large research and development ("R&D") team comprised of approximately 1,400 professionals and backed by more than 800 patents and patent applications worldwide.

To help our customers maximize the benefits of our technology over the solution lifecycle and provide a high degree of flexibility, we offer a broad range of services, such as strategic consulting, managed services, implementation services, training, maintenance, and 24x7 support. Additionally, we offer a broad range of deployment options, including cloud, on-premises, and hybrid, and software licensing and delivery models that include perpetual licenses and software as a service ("SaaS").

Headquartered in Melville, New York, we support our customers around the globe directly and with an extensive network of selling and support partners.

Recasting of Historical Segment Information

Through July 31, 2016, we were organized and had reported our operating results in three operating segments. In August 2016, we reorganized into two businesses and now report our results in two operating segments, as further discussed in Note 16, "Segment, Geographic, and Customer Information". Comparative segment financial information for prior periods appearing in Note 5, "Intangible Assets and Goodwill" and Note 16, "Segment, Geographic, and Customer Information", has been recast to conform to this revised segment structure.

Reclassification Within Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Certain amounts within the presentation of net cash provided by operating activities in our consolidated statement of cash flows for the years ended January 31, 2016 and 2015 have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on net cash provided by operating activities.

Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Verint Systems Inc., our wholly owned or otherwise controlled subsidiaries, and a joint venture in which we hold a 50% equity interest. The joint venture is a variable interest entity in which we are the primary beneficiary. The noncontrolling interest in this joint venture is reflected within stockholders' equity on our consolidated balance sheet, but separately from our equity. We have two majority owned subsidiaries for which we hold an option to acquire the noncontrolling interests. We account for the option as an in-substance investment in the noncontrolling common stock of each such subsidiary. We include the fair value of the option within other liabilities and do not recognize noncontrolling interests in these subsidiaries.

We include the results of operations of acquired companies from the date of acquisition. All significant intercompany transactions and balances are eliminated.

Investments in companies in which we have less than a 20% ownership interest and can not exercise significant influence are accounted for at cost.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") requires our management to make estimates and assumptions, which may affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Restricted Cash and Restricted Bank Time Deposits

Restricted cash and restricted bank time deposits are pledged as collateral or otherwise restricted as to use for vendor payables, general liability insurance, workers' compensation insurance, warranty programs, and other obligations.

Investments

Our investments generally consist of bank time deposits, and marketable debt securities of corporations, the U.S. government, and agencies of the U.S. government, all with remaining maturities in excess of 90 days at the time of purchase. As of January 31, 2017, we held no marketable debt securities. As of January 31, 2016, all of our marketable debt securities were classified as "available-for-sale" and were reported at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses reported in stockholders' equity until disposition or maturity. Investments with maturities in excess of one year are included in other assets.

Accounts Receivable, Net

Trade accounts receivable are recorded at the invoiced amount and are not interest-bearing.

Accounts receivable, net, includes unbilled accounts receivable on arrangements recognized under contract accounting methods, representing revenue recognized on contracts for which billing will occur in subsequent periods, in accordance with the terms of the contracts. Unbilled accounts receivable on such contracts were \$39.7 million and \$46.6 million at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Substantially all unbilled accounts receivable at January 31, 2017 are expected to be collected during the year ending January 31, 2018. Under most contracts, unbilled accounts receivable are typically billed and collected within one year of revenue recognition. However, as of January 31 2017, we had unbilled accounts receivable on certain complex projects with a long-standing customer for which the underlying billing milestones are still in progress and have remained unbilled for periods in excess of one year, and in some cases, for several years. We have no history of uncollectible accounts with this customer and believe that collection of such amounts is still reasonably assured. We expect billing and collection of these unbilled accounts receivable to occur within the next year.

The application of our revenue recognition policies sometimes results in circumstances for which we are unable to recognize revenue relating to sales transactions that have been billed, but the related account receivable has not been collected. For consolidated balance sheet presentation purposes, we do not recognize the deferred revenue or the related account receivable and no amounts appear in our consolidated balance sheets for such transactions. Only to the extent that we have received cash for a given deferred revenue transaction is the amount included in deferred revenue on the consolidated balance sheets.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalents, bank time deposits, short-term investments, and trade accounts receivable. We invest our cash in bank accounts, certificates of deposit, and money market accounts with major financial institutions, in U.S. government and agency obligations, and in debt securities of corporations. By policy, we seek to limit credit exposure on investments through diversification and by restricting our investments to highly rated securities.

We grant credit terms to our customers in the ordinary course of business. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to trade accounts receivable are generally limited due to the large number of customers comprising our customer base and their dispersion across different industries and geographic areas. One customer accounted for \$63.5 million and \$70.9 million of our

accounts receivable (including both billed and unbilled amounts), at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. This customer is a governmental agency outside of the U.S. which we believe presents insignificant credit risk.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

We estimate the collectability of our accounts receivable balances each accounting period and adjust our allowance for doubtful accounts accordingly. Considerable judgment is required in assessing the collectability of accounts receivable, including consideration of the creditworthiness of each customer, their collection history, and the related aging of past due accounts receivable balances. We evaluate specific accounts when we learn that a customer may be experiencing a deteriorating financial condition due to lower credit ratings, bankruptcy, or other factors that may affect its ability to render payment. We write-off an account receivable and charge it against its recorded allowance at the point when it is considered uncollectible.

The following table summarizes the activity in our allowance for doubtful accounts for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts, beginning of year | \$ 1,170 | \$ 1,099 | \$ 1,187 |
| Provisions charged to expense | 1,791 | 669 | 423 |
| Amounts written off | (1,484) | (933) | (461) |
| Other, including fluctuations in foreign exchange rates | 365 | 335 | (50) |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts, end of year | \$ 1,842 | \$ 1,170 | \$ 1,099 |

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined using the weighted-average method of inventory accounting. The valuation of our inventories requires us to make estimates regarding excess or obsolete inventories, including making estimates of the future demand for our products. Although we make every effort to ensure the accuracy of our forecasts of future product demand, any significant unanticipated changes in demand, price, or technological developments could have a significant impact on the value of our inventory and reported operating results. Charges for excess and obsolete inventories are included within cost of revenue.

Property and Equipment, net

Property and equipment are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The vast majority of equipment, furniture and other is depreciated over periods ranging from three to seven years. Software is depreciated over periods ranging from three to four years. Buildings are depreciated over periods ranging from ten to twenty-five years. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the related lease term.

The cost of maintenance and repairs of property and equipment is charged to operations as incurred. When assets are retired or disposed of, the cost and accumulated depreciation or amortization thereon are removed from the consolidated balance sheet and any resulting gain or loss is recognized in the consolidated statement of operations.

Segment Reporting

Operating segments are defined as components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is regularly evaluated by the enterprise's chief operating decision maker ("CODM"), or decision making group, in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance.

We conduct our business through two operating segments, which are also our reportable segments, Customer Engagement Solutions ("Customer Engagement") and Cyber Intelligence Solutions ("Cyber Intelligence"). Organizing our business through two operating segments allows us to align our resources and domain expertise to effectively address the Actionable Intelligence market. We determine our reportable segments based on a number of factors our management uses to evaluate and run our business operations, including similarities of customers, products and technology. Our Chief Executive Officer is our CODM, who regularly reviews segment revenue and segment operating contribution when assessing financial results of segments and allocating resources.

We measure the performance of our operating segments based upon segment revenue and segment contribution. Segment contribution includes segment revenue and expenses incurred directly by the segment, including material costs, service costs, research and development and selling, marketing, and administrative expenses. We do not allocate certain expenses, which include the majority of general and administrative expenses, facilities and communication expenses, purchasing expenses, manufacturing support and logistic expenses, depreciation and amortization, amortization of capitalized software development costs, stock-based compensation, and special charges such as restructuring costs when calculating segment contribution. These expenses are included within unallocated expenses in our presentation of segment operating results. Revenue from transactions between our operating segments is not material.

Goodwill, Other Acquired Intangible Assets, and Long-Lived Assets

For business combinations, the purchase prices are allocated to the tangible assets and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values on the acquisition dates, with the remaining unallocated purchase prices recorded as goodwill. Goodwill is assigned, at the acquisition date, to those reporting units expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination.

We test goodwill for impairment at the reporting unit level, which can be an operating segment or one level below an operating segment, on an annual basis as of November 1, or more frequently if changes in facts and circumstances indicate that impairment in the value of goodwill may exist. As of January 31, 2017, our reporting units are Customer Engagement, Cyber Intelligence (excluding situational intelligence solutions), and the Situational Intelligence business of our former Video Intelligence segment, which is now a component of our Cyber Intelligence operating segment.

In testing for goodwill impairment, we may elect to utilize a qualitative assessment to evaluate whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If our qualitative assessment indicates that goodwill impairment is more likely than not, we perform a two-step impairment test. We test goodwill for impairment under the two-step impairment test by first comparing the book value of net assets to the fair value of the reporting units. If the fair value is determined to be less than the book value or qualitative factors indicate that it is more likely than not that goodwill is impaired, a second step is performed to compute the amount of impairment as the difference.

For reporting units where we perform the two-step process, we utilize some or all of three primary approaches to assess fair value: (a) an income-based approach, using projected discounted cash flows, (b) a market-based approach, using multiples of comparable companies, and (c) a transaction-based approach, using multiples for recent acquisitions of similar businesses made in the marketplace. Our estimate of fair value of each reporting unit is based on a number of subjective factors, including: (a) appropriate consideration of valuation approaches (income approach, comparable public company approach, and comparable transaction approach), (b) estimates of future growth rates, (c) estimates of our future cost structure, (d) discount rates for our estimated cash flows, (e) selection of peer group companies for the public company and the market transaction approaches, (f) required levels of working capital, (g) assumed terminal value, and (h) time horizon of cash flow forecasts.

Acquired identifiable intangible assets include identifiable acquired technologies, customer relationships, trade names, distribution networks, non-competition agreements, sales backlog, and in-process research and development. We amortize the cost of finite-lived identifiable intangible assets over their estimated useful lives, which are periods of ten years or less. Amortization is based on the pattern in which the economic benefits of the intangible asset are expected to be realized, which typically is on a straight-line basis. The fair values assigned to identifiable intangible assets acquired in business combinations are determined primarily by using the income approach, which discounts expected future cash flows attributable to these assets to present value using estimates and assumptions determined by management. The acquired identifiable finite-lived intangible assets are being amortized primarily on a straight-line basis, which we believe approximates the pattern in which the assets are utilized, over their estimated useful lives.

Fair Value Measurements

Accounting guidance establishes a fair value hierarchy that requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. An instrument's categorization within the fair value hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. This fair value hierarchy consists of three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

- Level 1: quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: inputs other than Level 1 that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not

active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities; or

- Level 3: unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity.

We review the fair value hierarchy classification of our applicable assets and liabilities at each reporting period. Changes in the observability of valuation inputs may result in transfers within the fair value measurement hierarchy. We did not identify any transfers between levels of the fair value measurement hierarchy during the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016.

Fair Values of Financial Instruments

Our recorded amounts of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and restricted bank time deposits, accounts receivable, investments, and accounts payable approximate fair value, due to the short-term nature of these instruments. We measure certain financial assets and liabilities at fair value based on the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants.

Derivative Financial Instruments

As part of our risk management strategy, when considered appropriate, we use derivative financial instruments including foreign currency forward contracts and interest rate swap agreements to hedge against certain foreign currency and interest rate exposures. Our intent is to mitigate gains and losses caused by the underlying exposures with offsetting gains and losses on the derivative contracts. By policy, we do not enter into speculative positions with derivative instruments.

We record all derivatives as assets or liabilities on our consolidated balance sheets at their fair values. Gains and losses from the changes in values of these derivatives are accounted for based on the use of the derivative and whether it qualifies for hedge accounting.

The counterparties to our derivative financial instruments consist of several major international financial institutions. We regularly monitor the financial strength of these institutions. While the counterparties to these contracts expose us to credit-related losses in the event of a counterparty's non-performance, the risk would be limited to the unrealized gains on such affected contracts. We do not anticipate any such losses.

Revenue Recognition

We derive and report our revenue in two categories: (a) product revenue, including sale of hardware products (which include software that works together with the hardware to deliver the product's essential functionality) and licensing of software products, and (b) service and support revenue, including revenue from installation services, post-contract customer support ("PCS"), project management, hosting services, software-as-a-service ("SaaS"), application managed services, product warranties, business advisory consulting and training services.

Our revenue recognition policy is a critical component of determining our operating results and is based on a complex set of accounting rules that require us to make significant judgments and estimates. Our customer arrangements typically include several elements, including products, services, and support. Revenue recognition for a particular arrangement is dependent upon such factors as the level of customization within the solution and the contractual delivery, acceptance, payment, and support terms with the customer. Significant judgment is required to conclude whether collectability of fees is reasonably assured and whether fees are fixed or determinable.

For arrangements that do not require significant modification or customization of the underlying products, we recognize revenue when we have persuasive evidence of an arrangement, the product has been delivered or the services have been provided to the customer, the sales price is fixed or determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. In addition, our multiple-element arrangements must be carefully reviewed to determine the selling price of each element.

Our multiple-element arrangements consist of a combination of our product and service offerings that may be delivered at various points in time. For arrangements within the scope of the multiple-deliverable accounting guidance, a deliverable constitutes a separate unit of accounting when it has stand-alone value and there are no customer-negotiated refunds or return rights for the delivered elements. For multiple-element arrangements comprised only of hardware products containing software components and non-software components and related services, we allocate revenue to each element in an arrangement based on a selling price hierarchy. The selling price for a deliverable is based on its vendor-specific objective evidence ("VSOE") if

available, third-party evidence ("TPE") if VSOE is not available, or estimated selling price ("ESP") if neither VSOE nor TPE is available. The total transaction revenue is allocated to the multiple elements based on each element's relative selling price compared to the total selling price. We limit the amount of revenue recognized for delivered elements to an amount that is not contingent upon future delivery of additional products or services or meeting of any specified performance conditions.

Our policy for establishing VSOE for installation, consulting, and training is based upon an analysis of separate sales of services. We utilize either the substantive renewal rate approach or the bell-shaped curve approach to establish VSOE for our PCS offerings, depending upon the business segment, geographical region, or product line.

TPE of selling price is established by evaluating largely similar and interchangeable competitor products or services in stand-alone sales to similarly situated customers. However, as most of our products contain a significant element of proprietary technology offering substantially different features and functionality, the comparable pricing of products with similar functionality typically cannot be obtained. Additionally, as we are unable to reliably determine what competitors products' selling prices are on a stand-alone basis, we are typically not able to determine TPE.

If we are unable to determine the selling price because VSOE or TPE does not exist, we determine ESP for the purposes of allocating the arrangement's revenue by considering several external and internal factors including, but not limited to, pricing practices, similar product offerings, margin objectives, geographies in which we offer our products and services, internal costs, competition, and product life cycle. The determination of ESP is made through consultation with and approval by our management, taking into consideration our go-to-market strategies. We have established processes to update ESP for each element, when appropriate, to ensure that it reflects recent pricing experience.

For multiple-element arrangements comprised only of software products and related services, a portion of the total purchase price is allocated to the undelivered elements, primarily installation services, PCS, application managed services, business advisory consulting and training services, using VSOE of fair value of the undelivered elements. The remaining portion of the total transaction value is allocated to the delivered software, referred to as the residual method. If we are unable to establish VSOE for the undelivered elements of the arrangement, revenue recognition is deferred for the entire arrangement until all elements of the arrangement are delivered, unless the only undelivered element is PCS, in which case, we recognize the arrangement fee ratably over the PCS period.

For multiple-element arrangements that contain software and software-related elements for which we are unable to establish VSOE of one or more elements, we use various available indicators of fair value and apply our best judgment to reasonably classify the arrangement's revenue into product revenue and service revenue for financial reporting purposes.

For multiple-element arrangements that are comprised of a combination of software and non-software deliverables, the total transaction value is bifurcated between the software deliverables and non-software deliverables based on the relative selling prices of the software and non-software deliverables as a group. Revenue is then recognized for the software and software-related services following the residual method or ratably over the PCS period if VSOE for PCS does not exist, and for the non-software deliverables following the revenue recognition methodology outlined above for multiple-element arrangements that contain tangible products and other non-software related services.

PCS revenue is derived from providing technical software support services and unspecified software updates and upgrades to customers on a when-and-if-available basis. PCS revenue is recognized ratably over the term of the maintenance period, which in most cases is one year.

Under the substantive renewal rate approach, we believe it is necessary to evaluate whether both the support renewal rate and term are substantive and whether the renewal rate is being consistently applied to subsequent renewals for a particular customer. We establish VSOE under this approach through analyzing the renewal rate stated in the customer agreement and determining whether that rate is above the minimum substantive VSOE renewal rate established for that particular PCS offering. The minimum substantive VSOE rate is determined based upon an analysis of renewal rates associated with historical PCS contracts. For multiple-element software arrangements that do not contain a stated renewal rate, revenue associated with the entire bundled arrangement is recognized ratably over the PCS term. Multiple-element software arrangements that have a renewal rate below the minimum substantive VSOE rate are deemed to contain a more than insignificant discount element, for which VSOE cannot be established. We recognize aggregate contractual revenue for these arrangements over the period that the customer is entitled to renew its PCS at the discounted rate, but not to exceed the estimated economic life of the product. We evaluate many factors in determining the estimated economic life of our products, including the support period of the product, technological obsolescence, and customer expectations. We have concluded that our software products have estimated economic lives ranging from five to seven years.

Under the bell-shaped curve approach of establishing VSOE, we perform VSOE compliance tests to ensure that a substantial majority of our actual PCS renewals are within a narrow range of pricing.

Some of our arrangements require significant customization of the product to meet the particular requirements of the customer. For these arrangements, revenue is recognized under contract accounting principles, typically using the percentage-of-completion ("POC") method. Under the POC method, revenue recognition is generally based upon the ratio of hours incurred to date to the total estimated hours required to complete the contract. Profit estimates on long-term contracts are revised periodically based on changes in circumstances, and any losses on contracts are recognized in the period that such losses become evident. If the range of profitability cannot be estimated, but some level of profit is assured, revenue is recognized to the extent of costs incurred, until such time that the project's profitability can be estimated or the services have been completed. In the event some level of profitability on a contract cannot be assured, the completed-contract method of revenue recognition is applied.

Our SaaS multiple-element arrangements are typically comprised of subscription and support fees from customers accessing our software, set-up fees, and fees for consultation services. We do not provide the customer the contractual right to take possession of the software at any time during the hosting period under these arrangements. We recognize revenue for subscription and support services over the contract period originating when the subscription service is made available to the customer and the contractual hosting period has commenced. The initial set-up fees are recognized over the longer of the initial contract period or the period the customer is expected to benefit from payment of the up-front fees. Revenue from consultation services is generally recognized as services are completed.

Our application managed services revenue is derived from providing services that enhance our customers IT processes and maximize the business benefits of our solutions. Application managed services revenue is recognized ratably over the applicable term which, in most cases, is at least one year. When application managed services is included within a multiple-element arrangement, we utilize the substantive renewal rate approach to establish VSOE. In addition, we perform a budget versus actual time analysis to support our initial estimate of effort required to provide these services.

If an arrangement includes customer acceptance criteria, revenue is not recognized until we can objectively demonstrate that the software or services meet the acceptance criteria, or the acceptance period lapses, whichever occurs earlier. If an arrangement containing software elements obligates us to deliver specified future software products or upgrades, revenue related to the software elements under the arrangement is initially deferred and is recognized only when the specified future software products or upgrades are delivered, or when the obligation to deliver specified future software products expires, whichever occurs earlier.

We record provisions for estimated product returns in the same period in which the associated revenue is recognized. We base these estimates of product returns upon historical levels of sales returns and other known factors. Actual product returns could be different from our estimates, and current or future provisions for product returns may differ from historical provisions. Concessions granted to customers are recorded as reductions to revenue in the period in which they were granted. The vast majority of our contracts are successfully completed, and concessions granted to customers are minimal in both dollar value and frequency.

Product revenue derived from shipments to resellers and original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs") who purchase our products for resale are generally recognized when such products are shipped (on a "sell-in" basis) since we do not expect our resellers or OEMs to carry inventory of our products. We have historically experienced insignificant product returns from resellers and OEMs, and our payment terms for these customers are similar to those granted to our end-users. If a reseller or OEM develops a pattern of payment delinquency, or seeks payment terms longer than generally accepted, we defer the recognition of revenue until the receipt of cash. Our arrangements with resellers and OEMs are periodically reviewed as our business and products change.

In instances where revenue is derived from sale of third-party vendor services and we are a principal in the transaction, we record revenue on a gross basis and record costs related to a sale within cost of revenue. Though uncommon, in cases where we act as an agent between the customer and the vendor, revenue is recorded net of costs.

Multiple contracts with a single counterparty executed within close proximity of each other are evaluated to determine if the contracts should be combined and accounted for as a single arrangement. We record reimbursements from customers for out-of-pocket expenses as revenue. Shipping and handling fees and expenses that are billed to customers are recognized in revenue and the costs associated with such fees and expenses are recorded in cost of revenue. Historically, these fees and expenses have not been material. Taxes collected from customers and remitted to government authorities are excluded from revenue.

Cost of Revenue

Our cost of revenue includes costs of materials, compensation and benefit costs for operations and service personnel, subcontractor costs, royalties and license fees, depreciation of equipment used in operations and service, amortization of capitalized software development costs and certain purchased intangible assets, and related overhead costs.

Where revenue is recognized over multiple periods in accordance with our revenue recognition policies, we have made an accounting policy election whereby cost of product revenue, including hardware and third-party software license fees, are capitalized and recognized in the same period that product revenue is recognized, while installation and other service costs are generally expensed as incurred, except for certain contracts that are accounted for using contract accounting principles. Deferred cost of revenue is classified in its entirety as current or long-term based on whether the related revenue will be recognized within twelve months of the origination date of the arrangement.

For certain contracts accounted for using contract accounting principles, revisions in estimates of costs and profits are reflected in the accounting period in which the facts that require the revision become known, if such facts become known subsequent to the issuance of the consolidated financial statements. If such facts become known before the issuance of the consolidated financial statements, the requisite revisions in estimates of costs and profits are reflected in the consolidated financial statements. At the time a loss on a contract becomes evident, the entire amount of the estimated loss is accrued. Related contract costs include all direct material and labor costs and those indirect costs related to contract performance.

Customer acquisition and origination costs, including sales commissions, are recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses. These costs are expensed as incurred, with the exception of certain sales referral fees in our Cyber Intelligence segment which are capitalized and amortized ratably over the revenue recognition period.

Research and Development, net

With the exception of certain software development costs, all research and development costs are expensed as incurred, and consist primarily of personnel and consulting costs, travel, depreciation of research and development equipment, and related overhead and other costs associated with research and development activities.

We receive non-refundable grants from the Israel Office of the Chief Scientist ("OCS") that fund a portion of our research and development expenditures. We currently only enter into non-royalty-bearing arrangements with the OCS which do not require us to pay royalties. Funds received from the OCS are recorded as a reduction to research and development expense. Royalties, to the extent paid, are recorded as part of our cost of revenue.

We also periodically derive benefits from participation in certain government-sponsored programs in other jurisdictions, for the support of research and development activities conducted in those locations.

Software Development Costs

Costs incurred to acquire or develop software to be sold, leased or otherwise marketed are capitalized after technological feasibility is established, and continue to be capitalized through the general release of the related software product. Amortization of capitalized costs begins in the period in which the related product is available for general release to customers and is recorded on a straight-line basis, which approximates the pattern in which the economic benefits of the capitalized costs are expected to be realized, over the estimated economic lives of the related software products, generally four years.

Internal-Use Software

We capitalize costs associated with internal-use software systems that have reached the application development stage. These capitalized costs include external direct costs utilized in developing or obtaining the applications and expenses for employees who are directly associated with the development of the applications. Capitalization of such costs begins when the preliminary project stage is complete and continues until the project is substantially complete and is ready for its intended purpose. Capitalized costs of computer software developed for internal use are amortized over estimates useful lives of four years on a straight-line basis, which best represents the pattern of the software's use.

Income Taxes

We account for income taxes under the asset and liability method which includes the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in our consolidated financial statements.

Under this approach, deferred taxes are recorded for the future tax consequences expected to occur when the reported amounts of assets and liabilities are recovered or paid. The provision for income taxes represents income taxes paid or payable for the current year plus deferred taxes. Deferred taxes result from differences between the financial statement and tax bases of our assets and liabilities, and are adjusted for changes in tax rates and tax laws when changes are enacted. The effects of future changes in income tax laws or rates are not anticipated.

We are subject to income taxes in the United States and numerous foreign jurisdictions. The calculation of our tax provision involves the application of complex tax laws and requires significant judgment and estimates.

We evaluate the realizability of our deferred tax assets for each jurisdiction in which we operate at each reporting date, and establish valuation allowances when it is more likely than not that all or a portion of our deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income of the same character and in the same jurisdiction. We consider all available positive and negative evidence in making this assessment, including, but not limited to, the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, and tax planning strategies. In circumstances where there is sufficient negative evidence indicating that our deferred tax assets are not more-likely-than-not realizable, we establish a valuation allowance.

We use a two-step approach to recognizing and measuring uncertain tax positions. The first step is to evaluate tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return by assessing whether they are more-likely-than-not sustainable, based solely on their technical merits, upon examination and including resolution of any related appeals or litigation process. The second step is to measure the associated tax benefit of each position as the largest amount that we believe is more-likely-than-not realizable. Differences between the amount of tax benefits taken or expected to be taken in our income tax returns and the amount of tax benefits recognized in our financial statements represent our unrecognized income tax benefits, which we either record as a liability or as a reduction of deferred tax assets. Our policy is to include interest (expense and/or income) and penalties related to unrecognized income tax benefits as a component of income tax expense.

Functional Currencies and Foreign Currency Transaction Gains and Losses

The functional currency for most of our foreign subsidiaries is the applicable local currency, although we have several subsidiaries with functional currencies that differ from their local currency, of which the most notable exceptions are our subsidiaries in Israel, whose functional currencies are the U.S. dollar.

Transactions denominated in currencies other than a functional currency are converted to the functional currency on the transaction date, and any resulting assets or liabilities are further translated at each reporting date and at settlement. Gains and losses recognized upon such translations are included within other income (expense), net in the consolidated statements of operations. We recorded net foreign currency losses of \$2.7 million, \$8.0 million, and \$13.4 million for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively.

For consolidated reporting purposes, in those instances where a foreign subsidiary has a functional currency other than the U.S. dollar, revenue and expenses are translated into U.S. dollars using average exchange rates for the reporting period, while assets and liabilities are translated into U.S. dollars using period-end rates. The effects of foreign currency translation adjustments are included in stockholders' equity as a component of accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

Stock-Based Compensation

We recognize the cost of employee services received in exchange for awards of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award. We recognize the fair value of the award as compensation expense over the period during which an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award.

When stock options are awarded, the fair value of the option is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. Expected volatility and expected term are input factors to that model that can require significant management judgment. Expected volatility is estimated utilizing daily historical volatility over a period that equates to the expected life of the option. The expected life (estimated period of time outstanding) is estimated using the historical exercise behavior of employees. The risk-free interest rate is the implied daily yield currently available on U.S. Treasury issues with a remaining term closely approximating the expected term used as the input to the Black-Scholes option pricing model.

Net (Loss) Income Per Common Share Attributable to Verint Systems Inc.

Shares used in the calculation of basic net (loss) income per common share are based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the accounting period. Shares used in the calculation of basic net income per common share include vested but unissued shares underlying awards of restricted stock units when all necessary conditions for earning those shares have been satisfied at the award's vesting date, but exclude unvested shares of restricted stock because they are contingent upon future service conditions.

We have the option to pay cash, issue shares of common stock, or any combination thereof for the aggregate amount due upon conversion of our 1.50% convertible senior notes due June 1, 2021 (the "Notes"), further details for which appear in Note 6, "Long-Term Debt". We currently intend to settle the principal amount of the Notes in cash upon conversion and as a result, only the amounts payable in excess of the principal amounts of the Notes, if any, are assumed to be settled with shares of common stock for purposes of computing diluted net income per share.

In periods for which we report a net loss, basic net loss per common share and diluted net loss per common share are identical since the effect of potential common shares is anti-dilutive and therefore excluded.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

New Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Effective

In January 2017, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2017-01, *Business Combinations (Topic 805): Clarifying the Definition of a Business*, and ASU No. 2017-04, *Intangibles—Goodwill and Other (Topic 350) - Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment*.

ASU No. 2017-01 clarifies the definition of a business with the objective of adding guidance to assist entities with evaluating whether transactions should be accounted for as acquisitions (or disposals) of assets or businesses. The definition of a business affects many areas of accounting including acquisitions, disposals, goodwill, and consolidation. The guidance is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those periods. While we are still assessing the impact of this standard, we do not believe that the adoption of this guidance will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

ASU No. 2017-04 eliminates Step 2 of the goodwill impairment test and requires a goodwill impairment to be measured as the amount by which a reporting unit's carrying amount exceeds its fair value, not to exceed the carrying amount of its goodwill. The ASU is effective for annual or any interim goodwill impairment tests in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019. While we are still assessing the impact of this standard, we do not believe that the adoption of this guidance will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-18, *Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Restricted Cash*. This update requires that a statement of cash flows explain the change during the period in the total of cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents. Therefore, amounts generally described as restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents should be included with cash and cash equivalents when reconciling the beginning-of-period and end-of-period total amounts shown on the statement of cash flows. This update also requires an entity to disclose the nature of restrictions on its cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents. ASU No. 2016-18 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those fiscal years with early adoption permitted, including adoption in an interim period. We typically have restrictions on certain amounts of cash and cash equivalents, primarily consisting of amounts used to secure bank guarantees in connection with sales contract performance obligations, and expect to continue to have similar restrictions in the future. We currently report changes in such restricted amounts as cash flows from investing activities on our consolidated statement of cash flows. This standard will change that presentation. We are currently reviewing this standard to assess other potential impacts on our future consolidated financial statements.

In October 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-16, *Income Taxes (Topic 740): Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory*, which requires entities to recognize the income tax consequences of an intra-entity transfer of an asset other than inventory when the transfer occurs. The new guidance is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted as of the beginning of an annual reporting period. The new standard must be adopted using a modified retrospective transition method, with the cumulative effect recognized as of the date of initial adoption. We are currently reviewing this standard to assess the impact on our future consolidated financial statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-15, *Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments*, which provides guidance with the intent of reducing diversity in practice in how certain cash receipts and cash payments are presented and classified in the statement of cash flows. ASU No. 2016-15 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those fiscal years with early adoption permitted, including adoption in an interim period. We are currently reviewing this standard to assess the impact on our future consolidated financial statements.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, *Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326)*. This new standard changes the impairment model for most financial assets and certain other instruments. Entities will be required to use a model that will result in the earlier recognition of allowances for losses for trade and other receivables, held-to-maturity debt securities, loans, and other instruments. For available-for-sale debt securities with unrealized losses, the losses will be recognized as allowances rather than as reductions in the amortized cost of the securities. The new standard is effective for annual periods, and for interim periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. We are currently reviewing this standard to assess the impact on our future consolidated financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-09, *Compensation—Stock Compensation (Topic 718)*, which amends the accounting for stock-based compensation and requires excess tax benefits and deficiencies to be recognized as a component of income tax expense rather than stockholders' equity. This guidance also requires excess tax benefits to be presented as an operating activity on the statement of cash flows and allows an entity to make an accounting policy election to either estimate expected forfeitures or to account for them as they occur. ASU No. 2016-09 is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. The most significant impact of the pending adoption of this guidance on our future consolidated financial statements, will largely be dependent upon the intrinsic value of our stock-based compensation awards at the time of vesting and may result in more variability in our effective tax rates and net (loss) income, and may also impact the calculation of common stock equivalents, which are used in calculating diluted net income per share. In addition, upon adoption of the new guidance, we will classify excess tax benefits or deficits as operating activities in the consolidated statements of cash flows rather than as financing activities.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*, which will require lessees to recognize assets and liabilities for leases with lease terms of more than 12 months. Consistent with current GAAP, the recognition, measurement, and presentation of expenses and cash flows arising from a lease by a lessee primarily will depend on its classification as a finance or operating lease. However, unlike current GAAP, which requires only capital leases to be recognized on the balance sheet, the new guidance will require both types of leases to be recognized on the balance sheet. The new guidance is effective for all periods beginning after December 15, 2018 and we are currently evaluating the effects that the adoption of ASU No. 2016-02 will have on our consolidated financial statements, but anticipate that the new guidance will significantly impact our consolidated financial statements given our significant number of leases.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*. ASU No. 2014-09 supersedes the revenue recognition requirements in Topic 605, Revenue Recognition, and most industry-specific revenue recognition guidance throughout the Industry Topics of the Accounting Standards Codification. Additionally, this update supersedes some cost guidance included in Subtopic 605-35, *Revenue Recognition—Construction-Type and Production-Type Contracts*. The core principle of the guidance is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. As originally issued, this guidance was effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and early adoption was not permitted. In July 2015, the FASB deferred the effective date by one year, to interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted, but not before the original effective date of December 15, 2016. The standard allows entities to apply the standard retrospectively to each prior reporting period presented (“full retrospective adoption”) or retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initially applying the standard recognized at the date of initial application (“modified retrospective adoption”). We currently expect to adopt ASU No. 2014-09 using the modified retrospective option.

We are continuing to review the impacts of adopting ASU No. 2014-09 to our consolidated financial statements. Based upon our preliminary assessments, we currently do not expect the new standard to materially impact the amount or timing of the majority of revenue recognized in our consolidated financial statements. We are still assessing the impact on the timing of revenue recognized under certain contracts under which customized solutions are delivered over extended periods of time. In addition, the timing of cost of revenue recognition for certain customer contracts requiring significant customization will change, because unlike current guidance, the new guidance precludes the deferral of costs simply to obtain an even profit margin over the contract term. We are also assessing the new standard’s requirement to capitalize costs associated with obtaining customer contracts, including commission payments, which are currently expensed as incurred. Under the new standard, these costs will be deferred on our consolidated balance sheet. We are evaluating the period over which to amortize

these capitalized costs. In addition, for sales transactions that have been billed, but for which the recognition of revenue has been deferred and the related account receivable has not been collected, we currently do not recognize deferred revenue or the related accounts receivable on our consolidated balance sheet. Under the new standard, we will record accounts receivable and related contract liabilities for noncancelable contracts with customers when the right to consideration is unconditional, which we currently expect will result in increases in accounts receivable and contract liabilities (currently presented as deferred revenue) on our consolidated balance sheet, compared to our current presentation. Our preliminary assessments of the impacts to our consolidated financial statements of adopting this new standard are subject to change.

2. NET (LOSS) INCOME PER COMMON SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO VERINT SYSTEMS INC.

The following table summarizes the calculation of basic and diluted net (loss) income per common share attributable to Verint Systems Inc. for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands, except per share amounts) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (26,246) | \$ 22,228 | \$ 36,402 |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest | 3,134 | 4,590 | 5,471 |
| Net (loss) income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | \$ (29,380) | \$ 17,638 | \$ 30,931 |
| Weighted-average shares outstanding: | | | |
| Basic | 62,593 | 61,813 | 58,096 |
| Dilutive effect of employee equity award plans | — | 1,108 | 1,278 |
| Dilutive effect of 1.50% convertible senior notes | — | — | — |
| Dilutive effect of warrants | — | — | — |
| Diluted | 62,593 | 62,921 | 59,374 |
| Net (loss) income per common share attributable to Verint Systems Inc.: | | | |
| Basic | \$ (0.47) | \$ 0.29 | \$ 0.53 |
| Diluted | \$ (0.47) | \$ 0.28 | \$ 0.52 |

We excluded the following weighted-average potential common shares from the calculations of diluted net (loss) income per common share during the applicable periods because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|-------|-------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Stock options and restricted stock-based awards | 1,097 | 596 | 226 |
| 1.50% convertible senior notes | 6,205 | 6,205 | 3,876 |
| Warrants | 6,205 | 6,205 | 3,876 |

In periods for which we report a net loss attributable to Verint Systems Inc., basic net loss per common share and diluted net loss per common share are identical since the effect of all potential common shares is anti-dilutive and therefore excluded.

Our 1.50% convertible senior notes will not impact the calculation of diluted net income per share unless the average price of our common stock, as calculated in accordance with the terms of the indenture governing the Notes, exceeds the conversion price of \$64.46 per share. Likewise, diluted net income per share will not include any effect from the Warrants (as defined in Note 6, "Long-Term Debt") unless the average price of our common stock, as calculated under the terms of the Warrants, exceeds the exercise price of \$75.00 per share.

Our Note Hedges (as defined in Note 6, "Long-Term Debt") do not impact the calculation of diluted net income per share under the treasury stock method, because their effect would be anti-dilutive. However, in the event of an actual conversion of any or all of the Notes, the common shares that would be delivered to us under the Note Hedges would neutralize the dilutive effect of the common shares that we would issue under the Notes. As a result, actual conversion of any or all of the Notes would not increase our outstanding common stock. Up to 6,205,000 common shares could be issued upon exercise of the Warrants. Further details regarding the Notes, Note Hedges, and the Warrants appear in Note 6, "Long-Term Debt".

3. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS

The following tables summarize our cash, cash equivalents, and short-term investments as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, 2017 | | | |
|---|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| | Cost Basis | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Estimated Fair Value |
| Cash and cash equivalents: | | | | |
| Cash and bank time deposits | \$ 307,188 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 307,188 |
| Money market funds | 175 | — | — | 175 |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | \$ 307,363 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 307,363 |
| Short-term investments: | | | | |
| Bank time deposits | \$ 3,184 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 3,184 |
| Total short-term investments | \$ 3,184 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 3,184 |
| (in thousands) | January 31, 2016 | | | |
| | Cost Basis | Gross Unrealized Gains | Gross Unrealized Losses | Estimated Fair Value |
| Cash and cash equivalents: | | | | |
| Cash and bank time deposits | \$ 334,938 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 334,938 |
| Money market funds | 12,137 | — | — | 12,137 |
| Commercial paper and corporate debt securities | 5,054 | — | (24) | 5,030 |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | \$ 352,129 | \$ — | \$ (24) | \$ 352,105 |
| Short-term investments: | | | | |
| Commercial paper and corporate debt securities (available-for-sale) | \$ 53,018 | \$ — | \$ (86) | \$ 52,932 |
| Bank time deposits | 3,050 | — | — | 3,050 |
| Total short-term investments | \$ 56,068 | \$ — | \$ (86) | \$ 55,982 |

Bank time deposits which are reported within short-term investments consist of deposits held outside of the U.S. with maturities of greater than 90 days, or without specified maturity dates which we intend to hold for periods in excess of 90 days. All other bank deposits are included within cash and cash equivalents.

As of January 31, 2016, all of our available-for-sale investments had contractual maturities of less than one year. Gains and losses on sales of available-for-sale securities during the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were not significant.

During the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, proceeds from maturities and sales of available-for-sale securities were \$52.8 million, \$71.5 million, and \$13.7 million, respectively.

4. BUSINESS COMBINATIONS

Year Ended January 31, 2017

Contact Solutions, LLC

On February 19, 2016, we completed the acquisition of Contact Solutions, LLC ("Contact Solutions"), a provider of real-time, contextual self-service solutions, based in Reston, Virginia. The purchase price consisted of \$66.9 million of cash paid at closing, and a \$2.5 million post-closing purchase price adjustment based upon a determination of Contact Solutions' acquisition-date working capital, which was paid during the three months ended July 31, 2016. The cash paid for this acquisition was funded with cash on hand.

The purchase price for Contact Solutions was allocated to the tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values on the acquisition dates, with the remaining unallocated purchase price recorded as goodwill. The fair value assigned to identifiable intangible assets acquired were determined primarily by using the income approach, which discounts expected future cash flows to present value using estimates and assumptions determined by management.

Among the factors contributing to the recognition of goodwill as a component of the Contact Solutions purchase price allocation were synergies in products and technologies, and the addition of a skilled, assembled workforce. This goodwill has been assigned to our Customer Engagement segment and is deductible for income tax purposes.

In connection with the purchase price allocation for Contact Solutions, the estimated fair value of undelivered performance obligations under customer contracts assumed in the acquisition was determined utilizing a cost build-up approach. The cost build-up approach calculates fair value by estimating the costs required to fulfill the obligations plus a reasonable profit margin, which approximates the amount that we believe would be required to pay a third party to assume the performance obligations. The estimated costs to fulfill the performance obligations were based on the historical direct costs for delivering similar services. As a result, in allocating the purchase price, we recorded \$0.6 million of current and long-term deferred revenue, representing the estimated fair value of undelivered performance obligations for which payment had been received, which will be recognized as revenue as the underlying performance obligations are delivered. For undelivered performance obligations for which payment had not yet been received, we recorded a \$2.9 million asset as a component of the purchase price allocation, representing the estimated fair value of these obligations, \$1.2 million of which is included within prepaid expenses and other current assets, and \$1.7 million of which is included in other assets. We are amortizing this asset over the underlying delivery periods, which adjusts the revenue we recognize for providing these services to its estimated fair value.

Transaction and related costs directly related to the acquisition of Contact Solutions, consisting primarily of professional fees and integration expenses, were \$1.4 million and \$0.1 million for the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and were expensed as incurred and are included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

Revenue attributable to Contact Solutions included in our consolidated statement of operations for the year ended January 31, 2017 was not material. Contact Solutions reported a loss before provision (benefit) for income taxes of \$8.5 million for the year ended January 31, 2017.

OpinionLab, Inc.

On November 16, 2016, we completed the acquisition of all of the outstanding shares of OpinionLab, Inc. ("OpinionLab"), a leading SaaS provider of omnichannel Voice of Customer ("VoC") feedback solutions which help organizations collect, understand, and leverage customer insights, helping drive smarter, real-time business action. OpinionLab is based in Chicago, Illinois.

The purchase price consisted of \$56.4 million of cash paid at the closing, funded from cash on hand, partially offset by \$6.4 million of OpinionLab's cash received in the acquisition, resulting in net cash consideration at closing of \$50.0 million, and we agreed to pay potential additional future cash consideration of up to \$28.0 million, contingent upon the achievement of certain performance targets over the period from closing through January 31, 2021, the acquisition date fair value of which was estimated to be \$15.0 million. The purchase price is subject to customary purchase price adjustments related to the final determination of OpinionLab's cash, net working capital, transaction expenses, and taxes as of November 16, 2016. The acquired business is being integrated into our Customer Engagement operating segment.

The purchase price for OpinionLab was allocated to the tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values on the acquisition dates, with the remaining unallocated purchase price recorded as goodwill. The fair value assigned to identifiable intangible assets acquired were determined primarily by using the income approach, which discounts expected future cash flows to present value using estimates and assumptions determined by management.

Among the factors contributing to the recognition of goodwill as a component of the OpinionLab purchase price allocation were synergies in products and technologies, and the addition of a skilled, assembled workforce. This goodwill has been assigned to our Customer Engagement segment and is not deductible for income tax purposes.

In connection with the purchase price allocation for OpinionLab, the estimated fair value of undelivered performance obligations under customer contracts assumed in the acquisition was determined utilizing a cost build-up approach. The cost build-up approach calculates fair value by estimating the costs required to fulfill the obligations plus a reasonable profit margin, which approximates the amount that we believe would be required to pay a third party to assume the performance obligations.

The estimated costs to fulfill the performance obligations were based on the historical direct costs for delivering similar services. As a result, in allocating the purchase price, we recorded \$3.1 million of current and long-term deferred revenue, representing the estimated fair value of undelivered performance obligations for which payment had been received, which will be recognized as revenue as the underlying performance obligations are delivered. For undelivered performance obligations for which payment had not yet been received, we recorded a \$5.4 million asset as a component of the purchase price allocation, representing the estimated fair value of these obligations, \$3.4 million of which is included within prepaid expenses and other current assets, and \$2.0 million of which is included in other assets. We are amortizing this asset over the underlying delivery periods, which adjusts the revenue we recognize for providing these services to its estimated fair value.

The purchase price allocation for OpinionLab has been prepared on a preliminary basis and changes to the allocation may occur as additional information becomes available during the measurement period (up to one year from the acquisition date). Fair values still under review include values assigned to identifiable intangible assets and certain pre-acquisition loss contingencies.

Transaction and related costs directly related to the acquisition of OpinionLab, consisting primarily of professional fees and integration expenses, were \$0.6 million for the year ended January 31, 2017, and were expensed as incurred and are included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

Revenue and (loss) income before provision (benefit) for income taxes attributable to OpinionLab included in our consolidated statement of operations for the year ended January 31, 2017 were not material.

The following table sets forth the components and the allocation of the purchase price for our acquisitions of Contact Solutions and OpinionLab.

| (in thousands) | Contact Solutions | OpinionLab |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Components of Purchase Price: | | |
| Cash paid at closing | \$ 66,915 | \$ 56,355 |
| Fair value of contingent consideration | — | 15,000 |
| Other purchase price adjustments | 2,518 | — |
| Total purchase price | \$ 69,433 | \$ 71,355 |
| Allocation of Purchase Price: | | |
| Net tangible assets (liabilities): | | |
| Accounts receivable | \$ 8,102 | \$ 748 |
| Other current assets, including cash acquired | 2,392 | 10,625 |
| Property and equipment, net | 7,007 | 298 |
| Other assets | 1,904 | 2,036 |
| Current and other liabilities | (4,943) | (1,600) |
| Deferred revenue - current and long-term | (642) | (3,082) |
| Deferred Income Taxes - current and long-term | — | (9,995) |
| Net tangible assets (liabilities) | 13,820 | (970) |
| Identifiable intangible assets: | | |
| Customer relationships | 18,000 | 19,100 |
| Developed technology | 13,100 | 10,400 |
| Trademarks and trade names | 2,400 | 1,800 |
| Total identifiable intangible assets | 33,500 | 31,300 |
| Goodwill | 22,113 | 41,025 |
| Total purchase price allocation | \$ 69,433 | \$ 71,355 |

For the acquisition of Contact Solutions, the acquired customer relationships, developed technology, and trademarks and trade names were assigned estimated useful lives of ten years, four years, and five years, respectively, the weighted average of which is approximately 7.3 years.

For the acquisition of OpinionLab, the acquired customer relationships, developed technology, and trademarks and trade names were assigned estimated useful lives of ten years, six years, and four years, respectively, the weighted average of which is approximately 8.3 years.

The weighted-average estimated useful life of all finite-lived identifiable intangible assets acquired during the year ended January 31, 2017 is 7.8 years.

The acquired identifiable intangible assets are being amortized on a straight-line basis, which we believe approximates the pattern in which the assets are utilized, over their estimated useful lives.

Other Business Combinations

During the year ended January 31, 2017, we completed two transactions that qualified as business combinations in our Customer Engagement segment. These business combinations were not material to our consolidated financial statements individually or in the aggregate.

Year Ended January 31, 2016

During the year ended January 31, 2016, we completed three business combinations:

- On February 12, 2015, we completed the acquisition of a business that has been integrated into our Customer Engagement operating segment.
- On May 1, 2015, we completed the acquisition of a business that has been integrated into our Cyber Intelligence operating segment.
- On August 11, 2015, we acquired certain technology and other assets for use in our Customer Engagement operating segment in a transaction that qualified as a business combination.

These business combinations were not individually material to our consolidated financial statements.

The combined consideration for these business combinations was approximately \$49.5 million, including \$33.2 million of combined cash paid at the closings. For one of these business combinations, we also agreed to make potential additional cash payments to the respective former shareholders aggregating up to approximately \$30.5 million, contingent upon the achievement of certain performance targets over periods extending through April 2020. The fair value of these contingent consideration obligations was estimated to be \$16.2 million at the applicable acquisition date.

Included among the factors contributing to the recognition of goodwill in these transactions were synergies in products and technologies, and the addition of skilled, assembled workforces. Of the \$28.7 million of goodwill associated with these business combinations, \$7.7 million and \$21.0 million was assigned to our Customer Engagement and Cyber Intelligence segments, respectively. For income tax purposes, \$5.1 million of this goodwill is deductible and \$23.6 million is not deductible.

Revenue and the impact on net income attributable to these acquisitions for the year ended January 31, 2016 were not significant.

Transaction and related costs, consisting primarily of professional fees and integration expenses, directly related to these acquisitions, totaled \$0.6 million and \$1.4 million for the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. All transaction and related costs were expensed as incurred and are included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

The purchase price allocations for business combinations completed during the year ended January 31, 2016 are final.

The following table sets forth the components and the allocations of the combined purchase prices for the business combinations completed during the year ended January 31, 2016, including adjustments identified subsequent to the respective valuation dates, none of which were material:

| (in thousands) | Amount |
|---|------------------|
| Components of Purchase Prices: | |
| Cash | \$ 33,222 |
| Fair value of contingent consideration | 16,237 |
| Total purchase prices | \$ 49,459 |
| Allocation of Purchase Prices: | |
| Net tangible assets (liabilities): | |
| Accounts receivable | \$ 992 |
| Other current assets, including cash acquired | 4,274 |
| Other assets | 395 |
| Current and other liabilities | (3,037) |
| Deferred revenue - current and long-term | (1,872) |
| Deferred income taxes - current and long-term | (2,922) |
| Net tangible liabilities | (2,170) |
| Identifiable intangible assets: | |
| Customer relationships | 1,212 |
| Developed technology | 20,300 |
| Trademarks and trade names | 300 |
| In-process research and development | 1,100 |
| Total identifiable intangible assets | 22,912 |
| Goodwill | 28,717 |
| Total purchase price allocations | \$ 49,459 |

For these acquisitions, customer relationships, developed technology, and trademarks and trade names were assigned estimated useful lives of from five years to ten years, from four years to five years, and three years, respectively, the weighted average of which is approximately 4.4 years.

The pro forma impact of these acquisitions was not material to our historical consolidated operating results and is therefore not presented.

Year Ended January 31, 2015

KANA Software, Inc.

On February 3, 2014, we completed the acquisition of Sunnyvale, California-based KANA Software, Inc. and its subsidiaries ("KANA"), a leading global provider of on-premises and cloud-based solutions which create differentiated, personalized, and integrated customer experiences for large enterprises and mid-market organizations. The purchase price consisted of \$542.4 million of cash paid at the closing, partially offset by \$25.1 million of KANA's cash received in the acquisition, and a \$0.7 million post-closing purchase price adjustment, resulting in net cash consideration of \$516.6 million.

The merger consideration was funded by a combination of cash on hand, \$300.0 million of incremental term loans incurred in connection with an amendment to our Credit Agreement, and \$125.0 million of borrowings under our 2013 Revolving Credit Facility (further details for which appear in Note 6, "Long-Term Debt").

KANA has been integrated into our Customer Engagement operating segment.

Among the factors contributing to the recognition of goodwill as a component of the KANA purchase price allocation were synergies in products and technologies, and the addition of a skilled, assembled workforce. This goodwill has been assigned to our Customer Engagement segment and while generally not deductible for income tax purposes, certain goodwill related to previous business combinations by KANA is deductible for income tax purposes.

In connection with the purchase price allocation for KANA, the estimated fair value of undelivered performance obligations under customer contracts assumed in the merger was determined utilizing a cost build-up approach. The cost build-up approach calculates fair value by estimating the costs required to fulfill the obligations plus a reasonable profit margin, which approximates the amount that we believe would be required to pay a third party to assume the performance obligations. The

estimated costs to fulfill the performance obligations were based on the historical direct costs for delivering similar services. As a result, in allocating the purchase price, we recorded \$7.9 million of current and long-term deferred revenue, representing the estimated fair value of undelivered performance obligations for which payment had been received, which will be recognized as revenue as the underlying performance obligations are delivered. For undelivered performance obligations for which payment had not yet been received, we recorded an \$18.6 million asset within prepaid expenses and other current assets as a component of the purchase price allocation. We are amortizing this asset over the underlying delivery periods for these obligations as a reduction to revenue, which reduces the revenue we recognize for providing these services to its estimated fair value.

Transaction and related costs directly related to the acquisition of KANA, consisting primarily of professional fees and integration expenses, were \$0.6 million, \$3.2 million, and \$10.0 million for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively. All transaction and related costs were expensed as incurred and are included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

UTX Technologies Limited

On March 31, 2014, we completed the acquisition of all of the outstanding shares of UTX Technologies Limited (“UTX”), a provider of certain mobile device tracking solutions for security applications, from UTX Limited. UTX Limited was the supplier of these products to our Cyber Intelligence operating segment prior to the acquisition. The purchase price consisted of \$82.9 million of cash paid at closing, and up to \$1.5 million of potential future contingent consideration payments to UTX Limited, the acquisition date fair value of which was estimated to be \$1.3 million. During the year ended January 31, 2015, \$1.5 million of contingent consideration was paid to UTX Limited.

UTX is based in the Europe, the Middle East and Africa (“EMEA”) region and has been integrated into our Cyber Intelligence operating segment.

Among the factors contributing to the recognition of goodwill as a component of the UTX purchase price allocation were synergies in products and technologies, and the addition of a skilled, assembled workforce. This goodwill has been assigned to our Cyber Intelligence segment and is not deductible for income tax purposes.

Transaction and related costs directly related to the acquisition of UTX, consisting primarily of professional fees, integration expenses and related adjustments, were \$2.5 million for the year ended January 31, 2015 and not material for the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016. Such costs were expensed as incurred and are included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

As a result of the UTX acquisition, we recorded a \$2.6 million charge for the impairment of certain capitalized software development costs during the year ended January 31, 2015, reflecting strategy changes in certain product development initiatives. This charge is reflected within cost of product revenue.

Purchase Price Allocations

The following table sets forth the components and the allocations of the purchase prices for our acquisitions of KANA and UTX, including adjustments identified subsequent to the respective acquisition dates:

| (in thousands) | KANA | UTX |
|---|-------------------|------------------|
| Components of Purchase Prices: | | |
| Cash, including post-closing adjustments | \$ 541,685 | \$ 82,901 |
| Fair value of contingent consideration | — | 1,347 |
| Total purchase prices | \$ 541,685 | \$ 84,248 |
| Allocation of Purchase Prices: | | |
| Net tangible assets (liabilities): | | |
| Accounts receivable | \$ 18,473 | \$ — |
| Other current assets, including cash acquired | 49,707 | 3,799 |
| Other assets | 14,494 | 924 |
| Current and other liabilities | (17,851) | (263) |
| Deferred revenue - current and long-term | (7,932) | (340) |
| Deferred income taxes - current and long-term | (60,879) | (4,882) |
| Net tangible liabilities | (3,988) | (762) |
| Identifiable intangible assets: | | |
| Customer relationships | 152,700 | 2,000 |
| Developed technology | 55,500 | 37,400 |
| Trademarks and trade names | 11,500 | — |
| Other intangible assets | — | 1,100 |
| Total identifiable intangible assets | 219,700 | 40,500 |
| Goodwill | 325,973 | 44,510 |
| Total purchase price allocations | \$ 541,685 | \$ 84,248 |

For the acquisition of KANA, the acquired customer relationships, developed technology, and trademarks and trade names were assigned estimated useful lives of five to ten years, three to five years, and five years, respectively, the weighted average of which is approximately 8.1 years.

For the acquisition of UTX, the acquired customer relationships, developed technology and other intangible assets were assigned estimated useful lives of three years, four years, and four years, respectively, the weighted average of which is approximately 4.0 years.

The weighted-average estimated useful life of all finite-lived identifiable intangible assets acquired during the year ended January 31, 2015 is 7.4 years.

The acquired identifiable intangible assets are being amortized on a straight-line basis, which we believe approximates the pattern in which the assets are utilized, over their estimated useful lives.

Pro Forma Information

The following table provides unaudited pro forma operating results for the year ended January 31, 2015, as if KANA and UTX had been acquired on February 1, 2014. These unaudited pro forma results reflect certain adjustments related to these acquisitions, including amortization expense on finite-lived intangible assets acquired from KANA and UTX, interest expense and fees associated with additional long-term debt incurred to partially fund the acquisition of KANA, and adjustments to recognize the fair value of revenue associated with performance obligations assumed in the acquisition of KANA.

The unaudited pro forma results do not include any operating efficiencies or potential cost savings associated with these business combinations. Accordingly, such unaudited pro forma amounts are not necessarily indicative of the results that actually would have occurred had the acquisitions been completed on February 1, 2014, nor are they indicative of future operating results.

| (in thousands, except per share amounts) | Year Ended January 31, 2015 |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Revenue | \$ 1,158,141 |
| Net income | \$ 29,644 |
| Net income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | \$ 24,173 |
| Net income per common share attributable to Verint Systems Inc.: | |
| Basic | \$ 0.42 |
| Diluted | \$ 0.41 |

Other Business Combination Information

The acquisition date fair values of contingent consideration obligations associated with business combinations are estimated based on probability adjusted present values of the consideration expected to be transferred using significant inputs that are not observable in the market. Key assumptions used in these estimates include probability assessments with respect to the likelihood of achieving the performance targets and discount rates consistent with the level of risk of achievement. At each reporting date, we revalue the contingent consideration obligations to their fair values and record increases and decreases in fair value within selling, general and administrative expenses in our consolidated statements of operations. Changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration obligations result from changes in discount periods and rates, and changes in probability assumptions with respect to the likelihood of achieving the performance targets.

For the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, we recorded a charge of \$7.3 million, a benefit of \$0.9 million, and a charge of \$0.9 million, respectively, within selling, general and administrative expenses for changes in the fair values of contingent consideration obligations associated with business combinations. The aggregate fair value of the remaining contingent consideration obligations associated with business combinations was \$52.7 million at January 31, 2017, of which \$10.0 million was recorded within accrued expenses and other current liabilities, and \$42.7 million was recorded within other liabilities.

Payments of contingent consideration earned under these agreements were \$3.3 million, \$7.4 million, and \$12.0 million for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively.

5. INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND GOODWILL

Acquisition-related intangible assets consisted of the following as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, 2017 | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| | Cost | Accumulated Amortization | Net |
| Intangible assets with finite lives: | | | |
| Customer relationships | \$ 403,657 | \$ (244,792) | \$ 158,865 |
| Acquired technology | 233,982 | (168,653) | 65,329 |
| Trade names | 23,493 | (14,187) | 9,306 |
| Non-competition agreements | 3,047 | (2,499) | 548 |
| Distribution network | 4,440 | (4,329) | 111 |
| Total intangible assets with finite lives | 668,619 | (434,460) | 234,159 |
| In-process research and development, with indefinite lives | 1,100 | — | 1,100 |
| Total intangible assets | \$ 669,719 | \$ (434,460) | \$ 235,259 |

| (in thousands) | January 31, 2016 | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| | Cost | Accumulated Amortization | Net |
| Intangible assets, all with finite lives: | | | |
| Customer relationships | \$ 371,722 | \$ (211,824) | \$ 159,898 |
| Acquired technology | 211,388 | (134,391) | 76,997 |
| Trade names | 18,457 | (11,570) | 6,887 |
| Non-competition agreements | 3,047 | (2,137) | 910 |
| Distribution network | 4,440 | (3,550) | 890 |
| Total intangible assets with finite lives | 609,054 | (363,472) | 245,582 |
| In-process research and development, with indefinite lives | 1,100 | — | 1,100 |
| Total intangible assets | \$ 610,154 | \$ (363,472) | \$ 246,682 |

The following table presents net acquisition-related intangible assets by reportable segment as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Customer Engagement | \$ 207,436 | \$ 201,503 |
| Cyber Intelligence | 27,823 | 45,179 |
| Total | \$ 235,259 | \$ 246,682 |

Total amortization expense recorded for acquisition-related intangible assets was \$81.5 million, \$78.9 million, and \$76.2 million for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively. The reported amount of net acquisition-related intangible assets can fluctuate from the impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates on intangible assets not denominated in U.S. dollars.

Estimated future amortization expense on finite-lived acquisition-related intangible assets is as follows:

| (in thousands) | Amount |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Years Ending January 31, | |
| 2018 | \$ 68,227 |
| 2019 | 41,246 |
| 2020 | 31,888 |
| 2021 | 24,716 |
| 2022 | 21,626 |
| Thereafter | 46,456 |
| Total | \$ 234,159 |

During the year ended January 31, 2016, we recorded a \$3.2 million impairment of an acquired technology asset, which is included within cost of product revenue. No impairments of acquired intangible assets were recorded during the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2015.

As discussed in Note 16, "Segment Information", effective in August 2016, we reorganized into two businesses and now present our results in two reportable segments. We reallocated \$51.8 million of goodwill, net of \$25.3 million of accumulated impairment losses, from our former Video Intelligence segment to our Customer Engagement segment, and \$22.2 million of goodwill, net of \$10.8 million of accumulated impairment losses, to our Cyber Intelligence segment, using a relative fair value approach. In addition, we completed an assessment for potential impairment of the goodwill previously allocated to our former Video Intelligence segment immediately prior to the reallocation and determined that no impairment existed.

Goodwill activity for the years ended January 31, 2017, and 2016, in total and by reportable segment, was as follows:

| (in thousands) | Total | Reportable Segment | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| | | Customer Engagement | Cyber Intelligence |
| Year Ended January 31, 2016: | | | |
| Goodwill, gross, at January 31, 2015 | \$ 1,267,682 | \$ 1,144,188 | \$ 123,494 |
| Accumulated impairment losses through January 31, 2015 | (66,865) | (56,043) | (10,822) |
| Goodwill, net, at January 31, 2015 | 1,200,817 | 1,088,145 | 112,672 |
| Business combinations | 28,717 | 7,695 | 21,022 |
| Foreign currency translation and other | (22,358) | (20,634) | (1,724) |
| Goodwill, net, at January 31, 2016 | \$ 1,207,176 | \$ 1,075,206 | \$ 131,970 |
| Year Ended January 31, 2017: | | | |
| Goodwill, gross, at January 31, 2016 | \$ 1,274,041 | \$ 1,131,249 | \$ 142,792 |
| Accumulated impairment losses through January 31, 2016 | (66,865) | (56,043) | (10,822) |
| Goodwill, net, at January 31, 2016 | 1,207,176 | 1,075,206 | 131,970 |
| Business combinations | 91,209 | 91,209 | — |
| Foreign currency translation and other | (33,567) | (34,436) | 869 |
| Goodwill, net, at January 31, 2017 | \$ 1,264,818 | \$ 1,131,979 | \$ 132,839 |
| Balance at January 31, 2017: | | | |
| Goodwill, gross, at January 31, 2017 | \$ 1,331,683 | \$ 1,188,022 | \$ 143,661 |
| Accumulated impairment losses through January 31, 2017 | (66,865) | (56,043) | (10,822) |
| Goodwill, net, at January 31, 2017 | \$ 1,264,818 | \$ 1,131,979 | \$ 132,839 |

As a result of the segment reorganization discussed above, we concluded that, for purposes of reviewing for potential goodwill impairment, we have three reporting units, consisting of Customer Engagement, Cyber Intelligence (excluding situational intelligence solutions), and the Situational Intelligence business of our former Video Intelligence segment, which is now a component of our Cyber Intelligence operating segment. Based upon our November 1, 2016 goodwill impairment reviews, we concluded that the estimated fair values of all of our reporting units significantly exceeded their carrying values.

No changes in circumstances or indicators of potential impairment were identified between November 1 and January 31 in each of the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016.

No goodwill impairment was identified for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015.

6. LONG-TERM DEBT

The following table summarizes our long-term debt at January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| 1.50% Convertible Senior Notes | \$ 400,000 | \$ 400,000 |
| February 2014 Term Loans | 130,060 | 130,729 |
| March 2014 Term Loans | 278,978 | 280,413 |
| Other debt | 404 | — |
| Less: Unamortized debt discounts and issuance costs | (60,571) | (73,055) |
| Total debt | 748,871 | 738,087 |
| Less: current maturities | 4,611 | 2,104 |
| Long-term debt | \$ 744,260 | \$ 735,983 |

1.50% Convertible Senior Notes

On June 18, 2014, we issued \$400.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 1.50% convertible senior notes due June 1, 2021, unless earlier converted by the holders pursuant to their terms. Net proceeds from the Notes after underwriting discounts were \$391.9 million. The Notes pay interest in cash semiannually in arrears at a rate of 1.50% per annum.

The Notes were issued concurrently with our public issuance of 5,750,000 shares of common stock, the majority of the combined net proceeds of which were used to partially repay certain indebtedness under our Credit Agreement, as further described below. Additional details regarding our June 18, 2014 issuance of common stock appear in Note 8, “Stockholders’ Equity”.

The Notes are unsecured and rank senior in right of payment to our indebtedness that is expressly subordinated in right of payment to the Notes; equal in right of payment to our indebtedness that is not so subordinated; effectively subordinated in right of payment to any of our secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness; and structurally subordinated to indebtedness and other liabilities of our subsidiaries.

The Notes are convertible into, at our election, cash, shares of common stock, or a combination of both, subject to satisfaction of specified conditions and during specified periods, as described below. If converted, we currently intend to pay cash in respect of the principal amount of the Notes.

The Notes have a conversion rate of 15.5129 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of Notes, which represents an effective conversion price of approximately \$64.46 per share of common stock and would result in the issuance of approximately 6,205,000 shares if all of the Notes were converted. The conversion rate has not changed since issuance of the Notes, although throughout the term of the Notes, the conversion rate may be adjusted upon the occurrence of certain events.

Holders may surrender their Notes for conversion at any time prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding December 1, 2020, only under the following circumstances:

- during any calendar quarter commencing after the calendar quarter which ended on September 30, 2014, if the closing sale price of our common stock, for at least 20 trading days (whether or not consecutive) in the period of 30 consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the immediately preceding calendar quarter, is more than 130% of the conversion price of the Notes in effect on each applicable trading day;
- during the ten consecutive trading-day period following any five consecutive trading-day period in which the trading price for the Notes for each such trading day was less than 98% of the closing sale price of our common stock on such date multiplied by the then-current conversion rate; or
- upon the occurrence of specified corporate events, as described in the indenture governing the Notes, such as a consolidation, merger, or binding share exchange.

On or after December 1, 2020 until the close of business on the second scheduled trading day immediately preceding the maturity date, holders may surrender their Notes for conversion regardless of whether any of the foregoing conditions have been satisfied.

As of January 31, 2017, the Notes were not convertible.

In accordance with accounting guidance for convertible debt with a cash conversion option, we separately accounted for the debt and equity components of the Notes in a manner that reflected our estimated nonconvertible debt borrowing rate. We estimated the debt and equity components of the Notes to be \$319.9 million and \$80.1 million respectively, at the issuance date assuming a 5.00% non-convertible borrowing rate. The equity component was recorded as an increase to additional paid-in capital. The excess of the principal amount of the debt component over its carrying amount (the “debt discount”) is being amortized as interest expense over the term of the Notes using the effective interest method. The equity component is not remeasured as long as it continues to meet the conditions for equity classification.

We allocated transaction costs related to the issuance of the Notes, including underwriting discounts, of \$7.6 million and \$1.9 million to the debt and equity components, respectively. Issuance costs attributable to the debt component of the Notes are presented as a reduction of long-term debt and are being amortized as interest expense over the term of the Notes, and issuance costs attributable to the equity component were netted with the equity component in additional paid-in capital. The carrying amount of the equity component, net of issuance costs, was \$78.2 million at January 31, 2017.

As of January 31, 2017, the carrying value of the debt component was \$341.7 million, which is net of unamortized debt discount and issuance costs of \$53.3 million and \$5.0 million, respectively. Including the impact of the debt discount and related deferred debt issuance costs, the effective interest rate on the Notes was approximately 5.29% for each of the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015.

Based on the closing market price of our common stock on January 31, 2017, the if-converted value of the Notes was less than the aggregate principal amount of the Notes.

Note Hedges and Warrants

Concurrently with the issuance of the Notes, we entered into convertible note hedge transactions (the "Note Hedges") and sold warrants (the "Warrants"). The combination of the Note Hedges and the Warrants serves to increase the effective initial conversion price for the Notes to \$75.00 per share. The Note Hedges and Warrants are each separate instruments from the Notes.

Note Hedges

Pursuant to the Note Hedges, we purchased call options on our common stock, under which we have the right to acquire from the counterparties up to approximately 6,205,000 shares of our common stock, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, at a price of \$64.46, which equals the initial conversion price of the Notes. Our exercise rights under the Note Hedges generally trigger upon conversion of the Notes and the Note Hedges terminate upon maturity of the Notes, or the first day the Notes are no longer outstanding. The Note Hedges may be settled in cash, shares of our common stock, or a combination thereof, at our option, and are intended to reduce our exposure to potential dilution upon conversion of the Notes. We paid \$60.8 million for the Note Hedges, which was recorded as a reduction to additional paid-in capital. As of January 31, 2017, we had not purchased any shares of our common stock under the Note Hedges.

Warrants

We sold the Warrants to several counterparties. The Warrants provide the counterparties rights to acquire from us up to approximately 6,205,000 shares of our common stock at a price of \$75.00 per share. The Warrants expire incrementally on a series of expiration dates beginning in August 2021. At expiration, if the market price per share of our common stock exceeds the strike price of the Warrants, we will be obligated to issue shares of our common stock having a value equal to such excess. The Warrants could have a dilutive effect on net income per share to the extent that the market value of our common stock exceeds the strike price of the Warrants. Proceeds from the sale of the Warrants were \$45.2 million and were recorded as additional paid-in capital. As of January 31, 2017, no Warrants had been exercised and all Warrants remained outstanding.

The Note Hedges and Warrants both meet the requirements for classification within stockholders' equity, and their respective fair values are not remeasured and adjusted as long as these instruments continue to qualify for stockholders' equity classification.

Credit Agreement

In April 2011, we terminated a prior credit agreement and entered into a credit agreement with our lenders, which was amended and restated in March 2013, and further amended in February, March and June 2014 (the "Credit Agreement"). The Credit Agreement, as amended and restated, provides for senior secured credit facilities, currently comprised of \$300.0 million of term loans borrowed in February 2014 (the "February 2014 Term Loans"), and \$643.5 million of term loans borrowed in March 2014 (the "March 2014 Term Loans"), all of which matures in September 2019, and a \$300.0 million revolving credit facility maturing in September 2018 (the "Revolving Credit Facility"), subject to increase and reduction from time to time as described in the Credit Agreement.

Debt issuance and debt modification costs, as well as original issuance discounts, incurred in connection with the Credit Agreement are deferred and amortized as adjustments to interest expense over the remaining contractual life of the associated borrowing.

The February 2014 Term Loans were borrowed in connection with our February 2014 acquisition of KANA. The March 2014 Term Loans were borrowed as part of a refinancing of previously outstanding term loans under the Credit Agreement, which was accounted for as an early retirement of the previously outstanding term loans. As a result, \$4.3 million of unamortized deferred debt issuance costs and a \$2.8 million unamortized discount associated with the previously outstanding term loans were written off as a \$7.1 million loss on early retirement of debt during the year ended January 31, 2015.

In June 2014, we utilized the majority of the combined net proceeds from the issuance of the Notes and the concurrent issuance of 5,750,000 shares of common stock to retire \$530.0 million of the February 2014 Term Loans and March 2014 Term Loans, and all \$106.0 million of then-outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility. As a result, \$3.8 million and \$1.3 million of deferred debt issuance costs associated with the February 2014 Term Loans and March 2014 Term Loans, respectively, and a \$0.4 million unamortized discount associated with the February 2014 Term Loans, were written off as a \$5.5 million loss on early retirement of debt during the year ended January 31, 2015.

The outstanding February 2014 Term Loans and March 2014 Term Loans incur interest at our option at either a base rate plus a spread of 1.75% or an Adjusted LIBOR Rate, as defined in the Credit Agreement, plus a spread of 2.75%.

As of January 31, 2017, the weighted-average interest rate on both the February 2014 Term Loans and the March 2014 Term Loans was 3.58%. Taking into account the impact of original issuance discounts, if any, and related deferred debt issuance costs, the effective interest rates on the February 2014 Term Loans and March 2014 Term Loans were approximately 4.11% and 3.66%, respectively, at January 31, 2017.

During the year ended January 31, 2017, we executed a pay-fixed, receive-variable interest rate swap agreement with a multinational financial institution to partially mitigate risks associated with the variable interest rate on our term loans, further details for which appear in Note 12, "Derivative Financial Instruments".

We are required to pay a commitment fee equal to 0.50% per annum of the undrawn portion on the Revolving Credit Facility, payable quarterly, and customary administrative agent and letter of credit fees.

Loans under the Credit Agreement are subject to mandatory prepayment requirements with respect to certain asset sales, excess cash flows (as defined in the Credit Agreement), and certain other events. Optional prepayments of the term loans are permitted without premium or penalty, other than customary breakage costs associated with the prepayment of loans bearing interest based on LIBOR.

Our obligations under the Credit Agreement are guaranteed by substantially all of our domestic subsidiaries and certain foreign subsidiaries, and are secured by security interests in substantially all of our and the aforementioned subsidiaries' assets, subject to certain exceptions.

The Credit Agreement contains certain customary affirmative and negative covenants for credit facilities of this type. The Revolving Credit Facility also contains a financial covenant that requires us to maintain a ratio of Consolidated Total Debt to Consolidated EBITDA (each as defined in the Credit Agreement) of no greater than 4.50 to 1 (the "Leverage Ratio Covenant"). The limitations imposed by the covenants are subject to certain exceptions as detailed in the Credit Agreement.

The Credit Agreement provides for certain customary events of default with corresponding grace periods. Upon the occurrence of an event of default resulting from a violation of the Leverage Ratio Covenant, the lenders under our Revolving Credit Facility may require us to immediately repay outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility and may terminate their commitments to provide loans under that facility. A violation of the Leverage Ratio Covenant would not, by itself, result in an event of default under the February 2014 Term Loans or March 2014 Term Loans but may trigger a cross-default under the term loans in the event we are required to repay outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility. Upon the occurrence of other events of default, the lenders may require us to immediately repay all outstanding borrowings under the Credit Agreement and the lenders under our Revolving Credit Facility may terminate their commitments to provide loans under the facility.

Future Principal Payments on Term Loans

As of January 31, 2017, future scheduled principal payments on the February 2014 Term Loans and March 2014 Term Loans are presented in the following table:

| (in thousands) | February 2014 | March 2014 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Years Ending January 31, | Term Loans | Term Loans |
| 2018 | \$ 1,337 | \$ 2,869 |
| 2019 | 1,337 | 2,869 |
| 2020 | 127,386 | 273,240 |
| Total | \$ 130,060 | \$ 278,978 |

Interest Expense

The following table presents the components of interest expense incurred on the Notes and on borrowings under our Credit Agreement for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| 1.50% Convertible Senior Notes: | | | |
| Interest expense at 1.50% coupon rate | \$ 6,000 | \$ 6,000 | \$ 3,717 |
| Amortization of debt discount | 10,669 | 10,123 | 6,014 |
| Amortization of deferred debt issuance costs | 1,007 | 955 | 566 |
| Total - 1.50% Convertible Senior Notes | \$ 17,676 | \$ 17,078 | \$ 10,297 |
| Borrowings under Credit Agreement: | | | |
| Interest expense at contractual rates | \$ 14,682 | \$ 14,590 | \$ 23,236 |
| Impact of interest rate swap agreement | 259 | — | — |
| Amortization of debt discounts | 58 | 56 | 116 |
| Amortization of deferred debt issuance costs | 2,211 | 2,166 | 2,435 |
| Total - Borrowings under Credit Agreement | \$ 17,210 | \$ 16,812 | \$ 25,787 |

7. SUPPLEMENTAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT INFORMATION

Consolidated Balance Sheets

Inventories consisted of the following as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Raw materials | \$ 9,074 | \$ 7,177 |
| Work-in-process | 4,355 | 6,668 |
| Finished goods | 4,108 | 4,467 |
| Total inventories | \$ 17,537 | \$ 18,312 |

Property and equipment, net consisted of the following as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Land and buildings | \$ 9,543 | \$ 10,276 |
| Leasehold improvements | 29,247 | 28,538 |
| Software | 61,810 | 47,615 |
| Equipment, furniture, and other | 93,968 | 79,545 |
| | 194,568 | 165,974 |
| Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization | (117,017) | (97,070) |
| Total property and equipment, net | \$ 77,551 | \$ 68,904 |

Depreciation expense on property and equipment was \$25.2 million, \$20.3 million, and \$17.7 million the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively.

Other assets consisted of the following as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Long-term restricted cash and time deposits | \$ 54,566 | \$ 15,359 |
| Deferred debt issuance costs, net | 1,929 | 3,142 |
| Long-term security deposits | 4,123 | 4,112 |
| Other | 16,002 | 13,611 |
| Total other assets | \$ 76,620 | \$ 36,224 |

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities consisted of the following as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Compensation and benefits | \$ 73,998 | \$ 69,895 |
| Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts | 59,810 | 54,873 |
| Income taxes | 11,410 | 18,707 |
| Professional and consulting fees | 8,020 | 7,094 |
| Derivative financial instruments - current portion | 1,655 | 2,347 |
| Distributor and agent commissions | 10,384 | 8,471 |
| Taxes other than income taxes | 8,564 | 8,430 |
| Interest on indebtedness | 3,712 | 4,597 |
| Contingent consideration - current portion | 9,725 | 3,691 |
| Other | 25,946 | 28,862 |
| Total accrued expenses and other current liabilities | \$ 213,224 | \$ 206,967 |

Other liabilities consisted of the following as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Unrecognized tax benefits, including interest and penalties | \$ 28,204 | \$ 25,315 |
| Contingent consideration - long-term portion | 42,708 | 18,401 |
| Deferred rent expense | 13,805 | 12,553 |
| Obligations for severance compensation | 2,880 | 2,712 |
| Other | 6,762 | 2,647 |
| Total other liabilities | \$ 94,359 | \$ 61,628 |

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Other expense, net consisted of the following for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Foreign currency losses, net | \$ (2,743) | \$ (8,037) | \$ (13,402) |
| (Losses) gains on derivative financial instruments, net | (322) | 394 | 3,986 |
| Other, net | (3,861) | (4,634) | (155) |
| Total other expense, net | \$ (6,926) | \$ (12,277) | \$ (9,571) |

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

The following table provides supplemental information regarding our consolidated cash flows for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Cash paid for interest | \$ 21,892 | \$ 20,734 | \$ 29,296 |
| Cash payments of income taxes, net | \$ 29,582 | \$ 17,165 | \$ 15,362 |
| Non-cash investing and financing transactions: | | | |
| Accrued but unpaid purchases of property and equipment | \$ 2,868 | \$ 4,562 | \$ 4,258 |
| Inventory transfers to property and equipment | \$ 552 | \$ 1,142 | \$ 630 |
| Liabilities for contingent consideration in business combinations | \$ 26,400 | \$ 16,238 | \$ 8,347 |
| Leasehold improvements funded by lease incentives | \$ 82 | \$ 1,721 | \$ 2,242 |

8. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Issuance of Common Stock

On June 18, 2014, we completed a public offering of our common stock pursuant to which we issued and sold 5,750,000 shares of common stock at a price of \$47.75 per share. We received aggregate proceeds of \$265.6 million from the offering, net of underwriters' discounts and commissions, but before deducting approximately \$0.7 million of other offering expenses.

Common Stock Dividends

We did not declare or pay any dividends on our common stock during the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015. Under the terms of our Credit Agreement, we are subject to certain restrictions on declaring and paying dividends on our common stock.

Share Repurchase Program

On March 29, 2016, we announced that our board of directors had authorized a share repurchase program whereby we may make up to \$150 million in purchases of our outstanding shares of common stock over the two years following the date of announcement. Under the share repurchase program, purchases can be made from time to time using a variety of methods, which may include open market purchases. The specific timing, price and size of purchases depends on prevailing stock prices, general market and economic conditions, and other considerations, including the amount of cash generated in the U.S. and other potential uses of cash, such as acquisitions. Purchases may be made through a Rule 10b5-1 plan pursuant to pre-determined metrics set forth in such plan. The authorization of the share repurchase program does not obligate us to acquire any particular amount of common stock, and the program may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

Treasury Stock

Repurchased shares of common stock are recorded as treasury stock, at cost, but may from time to time be retired. At January 31, 2017, we held approximately 1,654,000 shares of treasury stock with a cost of \$57.1 million. At January 31, 2016, we held approximately 348,000 and shares of treasury stock with a cost of \$10.3 million.

During the year ended January 31, 2017 we acquired approximately 1,306,000 shares of treasury stock with a cost of \$46.9 million under the aforementioned share repurchase program. We did not acquire any shares of treasury stock during the year ended January 31, 2016. During the year ended January 31, 2015, we acquired approximately 46,000 shares of treasury stock from directors, executive officers, and other employees at a cost of \$2.2 million.

From time to time, our board of directors has approved limited programs to repurchase shares of our common stock from directors or officers in connection with the vesting of restricted stock or restricted stock units to facilitate required income tax withholding by us or the payment of required income taxes by such holders. In addition, the terms of some of our equity award agreements with all grantees provide for automatic repurchases by us for the same purpose if a vesting-related or delivery-related tax event occurs at a time when the holder is not permitted to sell shares in the market. Our stock bonus program contains similar terms. Any such repurchases of common stock occur at prevailing market prices and are recorded as treasury stock.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) includes items such as foreign currency translation adjustments and unrealized gains and losses on certain marketable securities and derivative financial instruments designated as hedges. Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) is presented as a separate line item in the stockholders' equity section of our consolidated balance sheets. Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) items have no impact on our net income as presented in our consolidated statements of operations.

The following table summarizes changes in the components of our accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) by component for the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Derivative Financial Instruments Designated as Hedges | Unrealized Gain on Interest Rate Swap Designated as Hedge | Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Available- for-Sale Investments | Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments | Total |
|---|---|--|---|---|---------------------|
| Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income at January 31, 2015 | \$ (7,992) | \$ — | \$ 101 | \$ (86,444) | \$ (94,335) |
| Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications | (992) | — | (211) | (27,769) | (28,972) |
| Amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | 7,113 | — | — | — | 7,113 |
| Net other comprehensive income (loss) | 6,121 | — | (211) | (27,769) | (21,859) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss at January 31, 2016 | (1,871) | — | (110) | (114,213) | (116,194) |
| Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications | 3,585 | 632 | 110 | (41,850) | (37,523) |
| Amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | (1,139) | — | — | — | (1,139) |
| Net other comprehensive income (loss) | 2,446 | 632 | 110 | (41,850) | (38,662) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at January 31, 2017 | \$ 575 | \$ 632 | \$ — | \$ (156,063) | \$ (154,856) |

All amounts presented in the table above are net of income taxes, if applicable. The accumulated net losses in foreign currency translation adjustments primarily reflect the strengthening of the U.S. dollar against the British pound sterling, which has resulted in lower U.S. dollar-translated balances of British pound sterling-denominated goodwill and intangible assets.

The amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) into the consolidated statement of operations, with presentation location, for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | | Financial Statement Location |
|--|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | |
| Unrealized (gains) losses on derivative financial instruments: | | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | \$ (108) | \$ 718 | \$ 190 | Cost of product revenue |
| | (115) | 672 | 159 | Cost of service and support revenue |
| | (651) | 4,556 | 1,050 | Research and development, net |
| | (383) | 2,205 | 458 | Selling, general and administrative |
| | (1,257) | 8,151 | 1,857 | Total, before income taxes |
| | 118 | (1,038) | (299) | Provision (benefit) for income taxes |
| | \$ (1,139) | \$ 7,113 | \$ 1,558 | Total, net of income taxes |

9. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, NET

Our gross research and development expenses for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, were \$174.6 million, \$181.7 million, and \$178.7 million, respectively. Reimbursements from the OCS and other government grant programs

amounted to \$3.5 million, \$4.0 million, and \$5.0 million for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively, which were recorded as reductions of gross research and development expenses.

We capitalize certain costs incurred to develop our commercial software products, and we then recognize those costs within cost of product revenue as the products are sold. Activity for our capitalized software development costs for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 was as follows:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Capitalized software development costs, net, beginning of year | \$ 11,992 | \$ 10,112 | \$ 8,483 |
| Software development costs capitalized during the year | 2,338 | 5,027 | 6,083 |
| Amortization of capitalized software development costs | (3,341) | (2,976) | (1,666) |
| Impairments, foreign currency translation and other | (1,480) | (171) | (2,788) |
| Capitalized software development costs, net, end of year | \$ 9,509 | \$ 11,992 | \$ 10,112 |

During the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2015, we recorded impairments of capitalized software development costs of \$1.3 million and \$2.6 million, respectively, reflecting strategy changes in certain product development initiatives, due in part to acquisition of technology associated with business combinations. There were no impairments of such costs during the year ended January 31, 2016.

10. INCOME TAXES

The components of (loss) income before provision (benefit) for income taxes for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Domestic | \$ (60,722) | \$ (43,471) | \$ (53,877) |
| Foreign | 37,248 | 66,651 | 75,280 |
| Total (loss) income before provision (benefit) for income taxes | \$ (23,474) | \$ 23,180 | \$ 21,403 |

The provision (benefit) for income taxes for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 consisted of the following:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Current provision (benefit) for income taxes: | | | |
| Federal | \$ 604 | \$ (2,997) | \$ 342 |
| State | 989 | 1,300 | 1,575 |
| Foreign | 18,120 | 8,289 | 30,415 |
| Total current provision for income taxes | 19,713 | 6,592 | 32,332 |
| Deferred (benefit) provision for income taxes: | | | |
| Federal | (8,179) | 2,244 | (40,007) |
| State | (842) | 12 | (2,610) |
| Foreign | (7,920) | (7,896) | (4,714) |
| Total deferred benefit for income taxes | (16,941) | (5,640) | (47,331) |
| Total provision (benefit) for income taxes | \$ 2,772 | \$ 952 | \$ (14,999) |

We identified misstatements in certain income tax disclosures included in the footnotes to our previously issued consolidated financial statements as of and for the years ended January 31, 2016 and 2015. The misstatements impacted certain components of the income tax rate reconciliation, deferred income tax, and valuation allowance tables, but had no effect on our consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive loss, stockholders' equity, or cash flows for the years ended January 31, 2016 and 2015, or on our consolidated balance sheet as of January 31, 2016. We assessed the materiality of the misstatements, in accordance with guidance provided in SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 99, and concluded that the misstatements were not material to the applicable consolidated financial statements. The comparative financial information presented in the applicable tables included in this footnote reflects the correction of these immaterial misstatements, details for which appear following those tables.

The reconciliation of the U.S. federal statutory rate to our effective tax rate on (loss) income before provision (benefit) for income taxes for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 was as follows:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| U.S. federal statutory income tax rate | 35.0 % | 35.0 % | 35.0 % |
| Income tax (benefit) provision at the U.S. federal statutory rate | \$ (8,215) | \$ 8,115 | \$ 7,489 |
| State income tax (benefit) provision | (312) | (79) | (1,739) |
| Foreign tax rate differential | (5,794) | (3,068) | (9,650) |
| Tax incentives | (3,507) | (12,293) | (14,865) |
| Valuation allowances | (3,640) | (7,767) | (15,793) |
| Stock-based and other compensation | 2,522 | 3,562 | 4,222 |
| Non-deductible expenses | 5,315 | 6,061 | 2,156 |
| Tax credits | (112) | (482) | (2,461) |
| Tax contingencies | 5,566 | (6,281) | 14,762 |
| Tax effects of reorganizations and liquidations | 975 | 6,136 | — |
| U.S. tax effects of foreign operations | 9,542 | 7,574 | 1,451 |
| Other, net | 432 | (526) | (571) |
| Total provision (benefit) for income taxes | \$ 2,772 | \$ 952 | \$ (14,999) |
| Effective income tax rate | (11.8)% | 4.1% | (70.1)% |

The table above reflects the correction of certain amounts previously presented for the years ended January 31, 2016 and 2015. For the year ended January 31, 2016, the favorable impact of valuation allowances was increased by \$4.3 million, and the favorable impact of tax contingencies was reduced by \$4.3 million. For the year ended January 31, 2015, the favorable impact of valuation allowances was increased by \$4.9 million, and the unfavorable impact of tax contingencies was increased by \$4.9 million. The effective income tax rates for the years ended January 31, 2016 and 2015 were unchanged.

Our operations in Israel have been granted "Approved Enterprise" ("AE") status by the Investment Center of the Israeli Ministry of Industry, Trade and Labor, which makes us eligible for tax benefits under the Israeli Law for Encouragement of Capital Investments, 1959. Under the terms of the program, income attributable to an approved enterprise is exempt from income tax for a period of two years and is subject to a reduced income tax rate for the subsequent five to eight years (generally 10% - 25%, depending on the percentage of foreign investment in the company). In addition, certain operations in Cyprus qualify for favorable tax treatment under the Cypriot Intellectual Property Regime ("IP Regime"). This legislation exempts 80% of income and gains derived from patents, copyrights, and trademarks from taxation. These tax incentives decreased our effective tax rate by 12.4%, 51.0%, and 64.0% for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively. The current year benefit is lower than in prior years as a result of the Company's taxable loss position in the Cyprus entity. At the lower IP Regime tax rate, the deferred tax benefit of the net operating losses generated by those companies is less than it would be under the higher statutory tax rate.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities consisted of the following at January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Deferred tax assets: | | |
| Accrued expenses | \$ 10,627 | \$ 9,553 |
| Deferred revenue | 3,953 | 7,819 |
| Loss carryforwards | 125,986 | 127,718 |
| Tax credits | 7,972 | 8,308 |
| Stock-based and other compensation | 20,187 | 20,213 |
| Capitalized research and development expenses | 4,146 | 4,125 |
| Other, net | 2,672 | 3,783 |
| Total deferred tax assets | 175,543 | 181,519 |
| Deferred tax liabilities: | | |
| Goodwill and other intangible assets | (50,679) | (53,354) |
| Unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries | (18,215) | (18,870) |
| Other, net | (2,344) | (3,053) |
| Total deferred tax liabilities | (71,238) | (75,277) |
| Valuation allowance | (108,609) | (115,756) |
| Net deferred tax liabilities | \$ (4,304) | \$ (9,514) |
| Recorded as: | | |
| Long-term deferred tax assets | \$ 21,510 | \$ 17,528 |
| Long-term deferred tax liabilities | (25,814) | (27,042) |
| Net deferred tax liabilities | \$ (4,304) | \$ (9,514) |

The table above reflects the correction of certain amounts previously presented as of January 31, 2016. Deferred tax assets resulting from loss carryforwards and total deferred tax assets were both reduced by \$12.4 million, with a corresponding \$12.4 million decrease to the valuation allowance. Net deferred tax liabilities as of January 31, 2016 were unchanged.

At January 31, 2017, we had U.S. federal net operating loss ("NOL") carryforwards of approximately \$661.0 million. These loss carryforwards expire in various years ending from January 31, 2019 to January 31, 2036. We had state NOL carryforwards of approximately \$248.6 million, expiring in years ending from January 31, 2018 to January 31, 2035. We had foreign NOL carryforwards of approximately \$53.8 million. At January 31, 2017, all but \$8.8 million of these foreign loss carryforwards had indefinite carryforward periods. Certain of these federal, state, and foreign loss carryforwards and credits are subject to Internal Revenue Code Section 382 or similar provisions, which impose limitations on their utilization following certain changes in ownership of the entity generating the loss carryforward. The NOL carryforwards for tax return purposes are different from the NOL carryforwards for financial statement purposes, primarily due to the reduction of NOL carryforwards for financial statement purposes under the authoritative guidance on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes. We had U.S. federal, state, and foreign tax credit carryforwards of approximately \$12.1 million at January 31, 2017, the utilization of which is subject to limitation. At January 31, 2017, approximately \$3.0 million of these tax credit carryforwards may be carried forward indefinitely. The balance of \$9.1 million expires in various years ending from January 31, 2019 to January 31, 2034.

As of January 31, 2017, we have not provided for deferred taxes on the excess of financial reporting over the tax basis of investments in certain foreign subsidiaries in the amount of \$479.8 million because we plan to reinvest such earnings indefinitely outside the United States. If these earnings were repatriated in the future, additional income and withholding tax expense would be incurred. Due to complexities in the laws of the foreign jurisdictions and the assumptions that would have to be made, it is not practicable to estimate the total amount of income taxes that would have to be provided on such earnings.

As required by the authoritative guidance on accounting for income taxes, we evaluate the realizability of deferred tax assets on a jurisdictional basis at each reporting date. Accounting for income taxes guidance requires that a valuation allowance be established when it is more likely than not that all or a portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. In circumstances where there is sufficient negative evidence indicating that the deferred tax assets are not more likely than not realizable, we establish a valuation allowance. We have recorded valuation allowances in the amounts of \$108.6 million and \$115.8 million at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Activity in the recorded valuation allowance consisted of the following for the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Valuation allowance, beginning of year | \$ (115,756) | \$ (123,837) |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | 3,640 | 7,767 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 3,204 | (59) |
| Currency translation adjustment | 303 | 373 |
| Valuation allowance, end of year | \$ (108,609) | \$ (115,756) |

The table above reflects the correction of certain amounts previously presented for the year ended January 31, 2016. The valuation allowance at January 31, 2015 year was reduced by \$8.1 million, and the reduction in the valuation allowance resulting from the provision for income taxes for the year ended January 31, 2016 was increased by \$4.3 million, resulting in a \$12.4 million net decrease to the valuation allowance as of January 31, 2016.

In accordance with the authoritative guidance for accounting for stock-based compensation, we use a "with-and-without" approach to applying the intra-period allocation rules in accordance with accounting for income taxes. Under this approach, the windfall tax benefit is calculated based on the incremental tax benefit received from deductions related to stock-based compensation. The amount is measured by calculating the tax benefit both "with" and "without" the excess tax deduction; the resulting difference between the two calculations is considered the windfall. We did not recognize windfall benefits in our U.S. federal income tax (benefit) provisions for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015.

In accordance with the authoritative guidance on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes, differences between the amount of tax benefits taken or expected to be taken in our income tax returns and the amount of tax benefits recognized in our financial statements, determined by applying the prescribed methodologies of accounting for uncertainty in income taxes, represent our unrecognized income tax benefits, which we either record as a liability or as a reduction of deferred tax assets.

For the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, the aggregate changes in the balance of gross unrecognized tax benefits were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Gross unrecognized tax benefits, beginning of year | \$ 142,271 | \$ 159,648 | \$ 145,408 |
| Increases related to tax positions taken during the current year | 11,034 | 9,465 | 15,522 |
| Increases as a result of business combinations | — | 985 | 4,744 |
| Increases related to tax positions taken during prior years | 585 | 2,514 | 1,927 |
| Increases (decreases) related to foreign currency exchange rates | 648 | (741) | (3,900) |
| Reductions for tax positions of prior years | (5,094) | (13,613) | (3,440) |
| Reductions for settlements with tax authorities | (145) | (13,811) | — |
| Lapses of statutes of limitations | (660) | (2,176) | (613) |
| Gross unrecognized tax benefits, end of year | \$ 148,639 | \$ 142,271 | \$ 159,648 |

As of January 31, 2017, we had \$148.6 million of unrecognized tax benefits, of which \$143.0 million represents the amount that, if recognized, would impact the effective income tax rate in future periods. We recorded \$0.5 million of tax expense, \$4.4 million of tax benefit, and \$1.9 million of tax expense for interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in our provision (benefit) for income taxes for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively. Accrued liabilities for interest and penalties were \$3.9 million and \$3.3 million at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Interest and penalties (expense and/or benefit) are recorded as a component of the provision (benefit) for income taxes in the consolidated financial statements.

Our income tax returns are subject to ongoing tax examinations in several jurisdictions in which we operate. In Israel, we are no longer subject to income tax examination for years prior to January 31, 2014. In the United Kingdom, with the exception of years which are currently under examination, we are no longer subject to income tax examination for years prior to January 31, 2015. In the U.S., our federal returns are no longer subject to income tax examination for years prior to January 31, 2014. However, to the extent we generated NOLs or tax credits in closed tax years, future use of the NOL or tax credit carry forward balance would be subject to examination within the relevant statute of limitations for the year in which utilized.

As of January 31, 2017, income tax returns are under examination in the following significant tax jurisdictions:

| Jurisdiction | Tax Years |
|----------------|--|
| Canada | January 31, 2011 - January 31, 2012 |
| United Kingdom | December 31, 2006; January 31, 2008 |
| India | March 31, 2006 - March 31, 2008; March 31, 2010 - March 31, 2013, March 31, 2015 |
| Israel | January 31, 2014 - January 31, 2016 |

We regularly assess the adequacy of our provisions for income tax contingencies. As a result, we may adjust the reserves for unrecognized tax benefits for the impact of new facts and developments, such as changes to interpretations of relevant tax law, assessments from taxing authorities, settlements with taxing authorities, and lapses of statutes of expiration. We believe that it is reasonably possible that the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits at January 31, 2017 could decrease by approximately \$3.2 million in the next twelve months as a result of settlement of certain tax audits or lapses of statutes of limitation. Such decreases may involve the payment of additional taxes, the adjustment of certain deferred taxes including the need for additional valuation allowances and the recognition of tax benefits.

11. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

Our assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis consisted of the following as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, 2017 | | |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | Fair Value Hierarchy Category | | |
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
| Assets: | | | |
| Money market funds | \$ 175 | \$ — | \$ — |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | — | 1,646 | — |
| Interest rate swap agreement | — | 1,429 | — |
| Total assets | \$ 175 | \$ 3,075 | \$ — |
| Liabilities: | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | \$ — | \$ 1,246 | \$ — |
| Interest rate swap agreement | — | 408 | — |
| Contingent consideration - business combinations | — | — | 52,733 |
| Option to acquire noncontrolling interests of consolidated subsidiaries | — | — | 3,550 |
| Total liabilities | \$ — | \$ 1,654 | \$ 56,283 |

| (in thousands) | January 31, 2016 | | |
|---|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Fair Value Hierarchy Category | | |
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
| Assets: | | | |
| Money market funds | \$ 12,137 | \$ — | \$ — |
| Commercial paper and corporate debt securities, classified as cash and cash equivalents | — | 5,030 | — |
| Short-term investments, classified as available-for-sale | — | 52,932 | — |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | — | 113 | — |
| Total assets | \$ 12,137 | \$ 58,075 | \$ — |
| Liabilities: | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | \$ — | \$ 2,377 | \$ — |
| Contingent consideration - business combinations | — | — | 22,391 |
| Total liabilities | \$ — | \$ 2,377 | \$ 22,391 |

The following table presents the changes in the estimated fair values of our liabilities for contingent consideration measured using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | |
|---|------------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Fair value measurement, beginning of year | \$ 22,391 | \$ 14,507 |
| Contingent consideration liabilities recorded for business combinations | 26,400 | 16,238 |
| Changes in fair values, recorded in operating expenses | 7,255 | (910) |
| Payments of contingent consideration | (3,313) | (7,444) |
| Fair value measurement, end of year | \$ 52,733 | \$ 22,391 |

Our estimated liability for contingent consideration represents potential payments of additional consideration for business combinations, payable if certain defined performance goals are achieved. Changes in fair value of contingent consideration are recorded in the consolidated statements of operations within selling, general and administrative expenses.

During the year ended January 31, 2017, we acquired two majority owned subsidiaries for which we hold an option to acquire the noncontrolling interests. We account for the option as an in-substance investment in the noncontrolling common stock of each such subsidiary. We include the fair value of the option within other liabilities and do not recognize noncontrolling interests in these subsidiaries. The following table presents the change in the estimated fair value of this liability, which is measured using Level 3 inputs, for the year ended January 31, 2017:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, 2017 |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Fair value measurement, beginning of year | \$ — |
| Acquisition of option to acquire noncontrolling interests of consolidated subsidiaries | 3,134 |
| Change in fair value, recorded in operating expenses | 416 |
| Fair value measurement, end of year | \$ 3,550 |

There were no transfers between levels of the fair value measurement hierarchy during the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016.

Fair Value Measurements

Money Market Funds - We value our money market funds using quoted active market prices for such funds.

Short-term Investments, Corporate Debt Securities, and Commercial Paper - The fair values of short-term investments, as well as corporate debt securities and commercial paper classified as cash equivalents, are estimated using observable market prices for identical securities that are traded in less-active markets, if available. When observable market prices for identical securities are not available, we value these short-term investments using non-binding market price quotes from brokers which we review for reasonableness using observable market data; quoted market prices for similar instruments; or pricing models, such as a discounted cash flow model.

Foreign Currency Forward Contracts - The estimated fair value of foreign currency forward contracts is based on quotes received from the counterparties thereto. These quotes are reviewed for reasonableness by discounting the future estimated cash flows under the contracts, considering the terms and maturities of the contracts and market foreign currency exchange rates using readily observable market prices for similar contracts.

Interest Rate Swap Agreement - The fair value of our interest rate swap agreement is based in part on data received from the counterparty, and represents the estimated amount we would receive or pay to settle the agreement, taking into consideration current and projected future interest rates as well as the creditworthiness of the parties, all of which can be validated through readily observable data from external sources.

Contingent Consideration - Business Combinations - The fair value of the contingent consideration related to business combinations is estimated using a probability-adjusted discounted cash flow model. These fair value measurements are based on significant inputs not observable in the market. The key internally developed assumptions used in these models are discount rates and the probabilities assigned to the milestones to be achieved. We remeasure the fair value of the contingent consideration at each reporting period, and any changes in fair value resulting from either the passage of time or events occurring after the acquisition date, such as changes in discount rates, or in the expectations of achieving the performance targets, are recorded within selling, general, and administrative expenses. Increases or decreases in discount rates would have

inverse impacts on the related fair value measurements, while favorable or unfavorable changes in expectations of achieving performance targets would result in corresponding increases or decreases in the related fair value measurements. We utilized discount rates ranging from 3.0% to 20.0% in our calculations of the estimated fair values of our contingent consideration liabilities as of January 31, 2017. We utilized discount rates ranging from 3.0% to 41.7% in our calculations of the estimated fair values of our contingent consideration liabilities as of January 31, 2016.

Option to Acquire Noncontrolling Interests of Consolidated Subsidiaries - The fair value of the option is determined primarily by using the income approach, which discounts expected future cash flows to present value using estimates and assumptions determined by management. This fair value measurement is based upon significant inputs not observable in the market. We remeasure the fair value of the option at each reporting period, and any changes in fair value are recorded within selling, general, and administrative expenses. We utilized a discount rate of 14.0% in our calculation of the estimated fair value of the option as of January 31, 2017.

Other Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts of accounts receivable, accounts payable, and accrued liabilities and other current liabilities approximate fair value due to their short maturities.

The estimated fair values of our term loan borrowings were \$410 million and \$411 million at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The estimated fair values of the term loans are based upon indicative bid and ask prices as determined by the agent responsible for the syndication of our term loans. We consider these inputs to be within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy because we cannot reasonably observe activity in the limited market in which participations in our term loans are traded. The indicative prices provided to us as at each of January 31, 2017 and 2016 did not significantly differ from par value. The estimated fair value of our revolving credit borrowings, if any, is based upon indicative market values provided by one of our lenders. We had no revolving credit borrowings at January 31, 2017 and 2016.

The estimated fair values of our Notes were approximately \$381 million and \$367 million at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The estimated fair value of the Notes is determined based on quoted bid and ask prices in the over-the-counter market in which the Notes trade. We consider these inputs to be within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Assets and Liabilities Not Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

In addition to assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis, we also measure certain assets and liabilities at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. Our non-financial assets, including goodwill, intangible assets and property, plant and equipment, are measured at fair value when there is an indication of impairment and the carrying amount exceeds the asset's projected undiscounted cash flows. These assets are recorded at fair value only when an impairment charge is recognized. Further details regarding our regular impairment reviews appear in Note 1, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies".

12. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Our primary objective for holding derivative financial instruments is to manage foreign currency exchange rate risk and interest rate risk, when deemed appropriate. We enter into these contracts in the normal course of business to mitigate risks and not for speculative purposes.

Foreign Currency Forward Contracts

Under our risk management strategy, we periodically use foreign currency forward contracts to manage our short-term exposures to fluctuations in operational cash flows resulting from changes in foreign currency exchange rates. These cash flow exposures result from portions of our forecasted operating expenses, primarily compensation and related expenses, which are transacted in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, most notably the Israeli shekel. We also periodically utilize foreign currency forward contracts to manage exposures resulting from forecasted customer collections to be remitted in currencies other than the applicable functional currency, and exposures from cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments denominated in currencies other than the applicable functional currency. Our joint venture, which has a Singapore dollar functional currency, also utilizes foreign exchange forward contracts to manage its exposure to exchange rate fluctuations related to settlements of liabilities denominated in U.S. dollars. These foreign currency forward contracts generally have maturities of no longer than twelve months, although occasionally we will execute a contract that extends beyond twelve months, depending upon the nature of the underlying risk.

Our outstanding foreign currency forward contracts had notional amounts of \$144.0 million and \$136.4 million as of January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Interest Rate Swap Agreement

During the year ended January 31, 2017, we executed a pay-fixed, receive-variable interest rate swap agreement with a multinational financial institution to partially mitigate risks associated with the variable interest rate on our term loans, under which we will pay interest at a fixed rate of 4.143% and receive variable interest of three-month LIBOR (subject to a minimum of 0.75%), plus a spread of 2.75%, on a notional amount of \$200.0 million. The effective date of the agreement was November 1, 2016, and settlements with the counterparty occur on a quarterly basis, beginning on February 1, 2017. The agreement will terminate on September 6, 2019. Throughout the term of the interest rate swap agreement, if we elect three-month LIBOR at the term loans' periodic interest rate reset dates for at least \$200.0 million of our term loans, as we did on November 1, 2016 and February 1, 2017, the annual interest rate on \$200.0 million of our term loans will be fixed at 4.143% for the applicable interest rate period.

The interest rate swap agreement is designated as a cash flow hedge and as such, changes in its fair value are recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the consolidated balance sheet and are reclassified into the statement of operations in the period in which the hedged transaction affects earnings. Hedge ineffectiveness, if any, is recognized currently in the consolidated statement of operations.

Fair Values of Derivative Financial Instruments

The fair values of our derivative financial instruments and their classifications in our consolidated balance sheets as of January 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Balance Sheet Classification | January 31, | |
|---|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 2017 | 2016 |
| Derivative assets: | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts: | | | |
| Designated as cash flow hedges | Prepaid expenses and other current assets | \$ 927 | \$ — |
| Not designated as hedging instruments | Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 719 | 113 |
| Interest rate swap agreement, designated as a cash flow hedge | Other assets | 1,429 | — |
| Total derivative assets | | \$ 3,075 | \$ 113 |
| Derivative liabilities: | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts: | | | |
| Designated as cash flow hedges | Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | \$ 288 | \$ 2,108 |
| Not designated as hedging instruments | Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 958 | 239 |
| | Other liabilities | — | 30 |
| Interest rate swap agreement, designated as a cash flow hedge | Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 408 | — |
| Total derivative liabilities | | \$ 1,654 | \$ 2,377 |

Derivative Financial Instruments in Cash Flow Hedging Relationships

The effects of derivative financial instruments designated as cash flow hedges on accumulated other comprehensive loss ("AOCL") and on the consolidated statement of operations for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Net gains (losses) recognized in Other comprehensive (loss) income: | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | \$ 575 | \$ (1,871) | \$ (7,992) |
| Interest rate swap agreement | 632 | — | — |
| | \$ 1,207 | \$ (1,871) | \$ (7,992) |
| Net gains (losses) reclassified from Other comprehensive (loss) income to the consolidated statements of operations: | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | \$ 1,257 | \$ (8,151) | \$ (1,857) |

For information regarding the line item locations of the net gains (losses) on foreign currency forward contracts reclassified out of Other comprehensive (loss) income into the consolidated statements of operations, see Note 8, "Stockholders' Equity".

There were no gains or losses from ineffectiveness of these cash flow hedges recorded for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015. All of the foreign currency forward contracts underlying the \$0.6 million of net unrealized gains recorded in our accumulated other comprehensive loss at January 31, 2017 mature within twelve months, and therefore we expect all such gains to be reclassified into earnings within the next twelve months. The \$0.6 million net unrealized gain recorded in our accumulated other comprehensive loss at January 31, 2017 for the interest rate swap agreement includes \$0.4 million of net losses expected to be reclassified into earnings within the next twelve months.

Derivative Financial Instruments Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

(losses) gains recognized on derivative financial instruments not designated as hedging instruments in our consolidated statements of operations for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Classification in Consolidated Statements of Operations | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|------------------------------------|---|------------------------|--------|----------|
| | | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | Other income (expense), net | \$ (323) | \$ 394 | \$ 3,986 |

13. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION AND OTHER BENEFIT PLANS

Stock-Based Compensation Plans

Plan Summaries

We issue stock-based incentive awards to eligible employees, directors and consultants, including restricted stock units ("RSUs"), restricted stock awards ("RSAs"), performance awards, stock options (both incentive and non-qualified), and other awards, under the terms of our outstanding stock benefit plans (the "Plans" or "Stock Plans") and/or forms of equity award agreements approved by our board of directors.

Awards are generally subject to multi-year vesting periods. We recognize compensation expense for awards on a straight-line basis over the requisite service periods of the awards, which are generally the vesting periods, reduced by estimated forfeitures. Upon issuance of restricted stock, exercise of stock options, or issuance of shares under the Plans, we generally issue new shares of common stock, but occasionally may issue treasury shares.

2015 Stock-Based Compensation Plan

On June 25, 2015, our stockholders approved the Verint Systems Inc. 2015 Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan (the "2015 Plan"), which authorizes our board of directors to provide equity-based compensation in various forms, including RSUs, RSAs, performance awards, and other stock-based awards. Subject to adjustment as provided in the 2015 Plan, an aggregate of up to 9,700,000 shares of our common stock may be issued or transferred in connection with awards under the 2015 Plan. Each stock option or stock-settled stock appreciation right granted under the 2015 Plan will reduce the available plan capacity by one share and each other award denominated in shares that is granted under the 2015 Plan will reduce the available plan capacity by 2.29 shares.

Upon approval of the 2015 Plan, additional awards were no longer permitted under our other stock-based compensation plans. Awards outstanding at June 25, 2015 under our prior stock-based compensation plans were not impacted by approval of the 2015 Plan.

Stock-Based Compensation Expense

We recognized stock-based compensation expense in the following line items on the consolidated statements of operations for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Component of (loss) income before provision (benefit) for income taxes: | | | |
| Cost of revenue - product | \$ 1,290 | \$ 1,466 | \$ 1,228 |
| Cost of revenue - service and support | 7,297 | 5,719 | 5,028 |
| Research and development, net | 11,637 | 9,195 | 6,421 |
| Selling, general and administrative | 45,384 | 48,169 | 41,781 |
| Total stock-based compensation expense | 65,608 | 64,549 | 54,458 |
| Income tax benefits related to stock-based compensation (before consideration of valuation allowances) | 15,752 | 14,385 | 12,364 |
| Total stock-based compensation, net of taxes | \$ 49,856 | \$ 50,164 | \$ 42,094 |

Total stock-based compensation expense by type of award was as follows for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Restricted stock units and restricted stock awards | \$ 55,123 | \$ 58,028 | \$ 46,634 |
| Stock bonus program and bonus share program | 10,298 | 6,359 | 7,680 |
| Total equity-settled awards | 65,421 | 64,387 | 54,314 |
| Phantom stock units (cash-settled awards) | 187 | 162 | 144 |
| Total stock-based compensation expense | \$ 65,608 | \$ 64,549 | \$ 54,458 |

Awards under our stock bonus and bonus share programs are accounted for as liability-classified awards, because the obligations are based predominantly on fixed monetary amounts that are generally known at inception of the obligation, to be settled with a variable number of shares of our common stock.

Net excess tax benefits resulting from our Stock Plans were \$0.7 million, \$0.5 million, and \$0.3 million for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively. Excess tax benefits represent a reduction in income taxes, otherwise payable during the period, attributable to the actual gross tax benefits in excess of the expected tax benefits, and are recorded as increases to additional paid-in capital.

Restricted Stock Units and Restricted Stock Awards

We periodically award RSUs and RSAs to our directors, officers, and other employees. The fair value of these awards is equivalent to the market value of our common stock on the grant date. The principal difference between these instruments is that RSUs are not shares of our common stock and do not have any of the rights or privileges thereof, including voting or dividend rights. On the applicable vesting date, the holder of an RSU becomes entitled to a share of our common stock. Both RSAs and RSUs are subject to certain restrictions and forfeiture provisions prior to vesting.

We periodically award RSUs to executive officers and certain employees that vest upon the achievement of specified performance goals or market conditions ("PRSU"). An accounting grant date for PRSUs is generally not established until the performance vesting condition has been defined and communicated and for some PRSUs, the performance goals are established by our board subsequent to the award date.

We separately recognize compensation expense for each tranche of a PRSU award as if it were a separate award with its own vesting date. For certain PRSUs, an accounting grant date may be established prior to the requisite service period.

Once a performance vesting condition has been defined and communicated, and the requisite service period has begun, our estimate of the fair value of PRSUs requires an assessment of the probability that the specified performance criteria will be achieved, which we update at each reporting date and adjust our estimate of the fair value of the PRSUs, if necessary. All compensation expense for PRSUs with market conditions is recognized if the requisite service period is fulfilled, even if the market condition is not satisfied.

RSUs that are expected to settle with cash payments upon vesting, if any, are reflected as liabilities on our consolidated balance sheets. Such RSU's were insignificant at January 31, 2017 and 2016.

The following table summarizes activity for RSUs (including PRSUs) and RSAs under the Plans for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands, except grant date fair values) | Year Ended January 31, | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|--|-----------------|--|-----------------|--|
| | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2015 | |
| | Shares or Units | Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value | Shares or Units | Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value | Shares or Units | Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value |
| Beginning balance | 2,649 | \$ 54.57 | 2,545 | \$ 40.96 | 2,250 | \$ 33.77 |
| Granted | 1,870 | \$ 35.33 | 1,729 | \$ 62.62 | 1,504 | \$ 46.11 |
| Released | (1,433) | \$ 47.98 | (1,312) | \$ 39.75 | (1,009) | \$ 33.11 |
| Forfeited | (344) | \$ 52.20 | (313) | \$ 50.56 | (200) | \$ 38.46 |
| Ending balance | 2,742 | \$ 45.20 | 2,649 | \$ 54.57 | 2,545 | \$ 40.96 |

With respect of our stock bonus program, activity presented in the table above only includes shares earned and released in consideration of the discount provided under that program. Consistent with the provisions of the Plans under which such shares are issued, other shares issued under the stock bonus program are not included in the table above because they do not reduce available plan capacity (since such shares are deemed to be purchased by the grantee at fair value in lieu of receiving an earned cash bonus). Further details appear below under "Stock Bonus Program".

Activity for performance awards under the Plans for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 was as follows:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Beginning balance | 332 | 497 | 477 |
| Granted | 312 | 195 | 250 |
| Released | (159) | (239) | (189) |
| Forfeited | (47) | (121) | (41) |
| Ending balance | 438 | 332 | 497 |

As of January 31, 2017, unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested RSUs expected to vest subsequent to January 31, 2017 was approximately \$70.2 million, with remaining weighted-average vesting periods of approximately 1.7 years, over which such expense is expected to be recognized. The unrecognized compensation expense does not include compensation expense of up to \$2.1 million, related to shares for which a grant date has been established but the requisite service period has not begun. The total fair values of RSUs vested during the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were \$68.7 million, \$52.2 million, and \$33.4 million, respectively.

Stock Options

We did not grant stock options during the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015.

The following table summarizes stock option activity under the Plans for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands, except exercise prices) | Year Ended January 31, | | | | | |
|--|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2015 | |
| | Stock Options | Weighted-Average Exercise Price | Stock Options | Weighted-Average Exercise Price | Stock Options | Weighted-Average Exercise Price |
| Beginning balance | 3 | \$ 9.59 | 9 | \$ 28.74 | 516 | \$ 34.60 |
| Exercised | (1) | \$ 8.71 | (6) | \$ 36.10 | (505) | \$ 34.71 |
| Expired | — | \$ — | — | \$ — | (2) | \$ 23.13 |
| Ending balance | 2 | \$ 10.09 | 3 | \$ 9.59 | 9 | \$ 28.74 |
| Stock options exercisable | 2 | \$ 10.09 | 3 | \$ 9.59 | 9 | \$ 28.74 |

The following table summarizes certain key data for exercised options:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|--------|-----------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Intrinsic value of options exercised | \$ 24 | \$ 164 | \$ 8,759 |
| Cash received from the exercise of stock options | \$ 8 | \$ 232 | \$ 17,606 |
| Tax benefits realized from stock options exercised | \$ 6 | \$ 107 | \$ 2,306 |
| Fair value of options vested | \$ 35 | \$ 56 | \$ 178 |

Phantom Stock Units

We have periodically issued phantom stock units to certain employees that settle, or are expected to settle, with cash payments upon vesting. Like equity-settled awards, phantom stock units are awarded with vesting conditions and are subject to certain forfeiture provisions prior to vesting.

Phantom stock unit activity for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 was not significant.

Stock Bonus Program

Under the terms of our stock bonus program, eligible employees may elect to receive a portion of their earned bonuses, otherwise payable in cash, in the form of discounted shares of our common stock. Executive officers are eligible to participate in this program to the extent that shares remained available for awards following the enrollment of all other participants. Shares awarded to executive officers with respect to the discount feature of the program are subject to a one-year vesting period. This program is subject to annual funding approval by our board of directors and an annual cap on the number of shares that can be issued. Subject to these limitations, the number of shares to be issued under the program for a given year is determined using a five-day trailing average price of our common stock when the awards are calculated, reduced by a discount to be determined by the board of directors each year (the "discount"). To the extent that this program is not funded in a given year or the number of shares of common stock needed to fully satisfy employee enrollment exceeds the annual cap, the applicable portion of the employee bonuses will generally revert to being paid in cash. Obligations under this program are accounted for as liabilities, because the obligations are based predominantly on fixed monetary amounts that are generally known at inception of the obligation, to be settled with a variable number of shares of common stock determined using a discounted average price of our common stock, as described above.

The following table summarizes certain key data for the stock bonus program for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands, except discount) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|------|------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Maximum stock bonus program shares | — | 125 | 125 |
| Discount | —% | —% | 15% |
| Shares in lieu of earned cash bonus - granted and released | 25 | 43 | 82 |
| Shares in respect of discount: | | | |
| Granted | — | 7 | 12 |
| Released | — | 5 | 9 |

Shares granted in a particular year, as presented in the table above, represent the shares earned under the prior year's stock bonus program authorization.

Awards under the stock bonus program for the performance period ended January 31, 2017 will consist of shares earned in respect of executive officer incentive plans and will be awarded without a discount, and are expected to be issued during the first half of the year ending January 31, 2018.

In March 2017, our board of directors approved up to 125,000 shares of common stock, and a discount of 15%, for awards under our stock bonus program for the year ending January 31, 2018. Executive officers will be permitted to participate in this program for the year ending January 31, 2018, but only to the extent that shares remain available for awards following the enrollment of all other participants. Shares awarded to executive officers with respect to the 15% discount will be subject to a one-year vesting period.

Bonus Share Program

In February 2015, the board of directors authorized an additional program under which we may provide discretionary year-end bonuses to employees in the form of shares of common stock. Unlike the stock bonus program, there is no enrollment for this program and no discount feature. Similar to the accounting for the stock bonus program, obligations for these bonuses are accounted for as liabilities, because the obligations are based predominantly on fixed monetary amounts that are generally known, to be settled with a variable number of shares of common stock.

For bonuses in respect of the year ended January 31, 2015, the board of directors authorized the use of up to approximately \$4.7 million in shares for bonuses under this program to employees other than executive officers, subject to certain limitations on the aggregate number of shares that may be issued. During the year ended January 31, 2016, approximately 74,000 shares of common stock were awarded and released under the bonus share program in respect of the performance period ended January 31, 2015.

For bonuses in respect of the year ended January 31, 2016, the board of directors approved the use of up to 75,000 shares of common stock, plus any shares not used under the stock bonus program in respect of the year ended January 31, 2016, for awards under this program (not to exceed 200,000 shares in aggregate between the two programs). During the year ended January 31, 2017, approximately 171,000 shares of common stock were awarded and released under the bonus share program in respect of the performance period ended January 31, 2016.

Our board of directors has authorized up to 300,000 shares of common stock for awards under this program in respect of the performance period ended January 31, 2017.

The combined accrued liabilities for the stock bonus program and the bonus share program were \$10.0 million and \$6.6 million at January 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Other Benefit Plans

401(k) Plan and Other Retirement Plans

We maintain a 401(k) Plan for our full-time employees in the United States. The plan allows eligible employees who attain the age of 21 beginning with the first of the month following their date of hire to elect to contribute up to 60% of their annual compensation, subject to the prescribed maximum amount. We match employee contributions at a rate of 50%, up to a maximum annual matched contribution of \$2,000 per employee.

Employee contributions are always fully vested, while our matching contributions for each year vest on the last day of the calendar year provided the employee remains employed with us on that day.

Our matching contribution expenses for our 401(k) Plan were \$2.6 million, \$2.2 million, and \$2.1 million for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively.

We provide retirement benefits for non-U.S. employees as required by local laws or to a greater extent as we deem appropriate through plans that function similar to 401(k) plans. Funding requirements for programs required by local laws are determined on an individual country and plan basis and are subject to local country practices and market circumstances.

Severance Pay

We are obligated to make severance payments for the benefit of certain employees of our foreign subsidiaries. Severance payments made to Israeli employees are considered significant compared to all other subsidiaries with severance payment arrangements. Under Israeli law, we are obligated to make severance payments to employees of our Israeli subsidiaries, subject to certain conditions. In most cases, our liability for these severance payments is fully provided for by regular deposits to funds administered by insurance providers and by an accrual for the amount of our liability which has not yet been deposited.

Severance expenses for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were \$6.4 million, \$7.2 million, and \$6.8 million, respectively.

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the years ended January 31, 2016 and 2015, our joint venture incurred certain operating expenses, including office rent and other administrative costs, under arrangements with one of its then noncontrolling shareholders. These expenses totaled \$0.4 million and \$0.5 million for the years ended January 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Revenue recognized by our joint venture from this noncontrolling shareholder was \$0.3 million for the year ended January 31, 2016, and was not significant for the year ended January 31, 2015. The counterparty to these transactions is no longer a noncontrolling shareholder of our joint venture.

15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Operating and Capital Leases

We lease office, manufacturing, and warehouse space, as well as certain equipment, under non-cancelable operating lease agreements. We have also periodically entered into capital leases. Terms of the leases, including renewal options and escalation clauses, vary by lease.

Rent expense incurred under all operating leases was \$25.6 million, \$19.4 million, and \$17.2 million for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, respectively.

As of January 31, 2017, our minimum future rent obligations under non-cancelable operating leases with initial or remaining terms in excess of one year were as follows:

| (in thousands) Years Ending January 31, | Operating Leases |
|--|---------------------|
| 2018 | \$ 25,447 |
| 2019 | 24,138 |
| 2020 | 17,865 |
| 2021 | 15,460 |
| 2022 | 14,335 |
| Thereafter | 56,945 |
| Total | \$ 154,190 |

We sublease certain space in our facilities to third parties. As of January 31, 2017, total expected future sublease income was \$0.6 million and will range from \$0.2 million to \$0.4 million on an annual basis through August 2018.

Unconditional Purchase Obligations

In the ordinary course of business, we enter into certain unconditional purchase obligations, which are agreements to purchase goods or services that are enforceable, legally binding, and that specify all significant terms, including: fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum, or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the transaction. Our purchase orders are based on current needs and are typically fulfilled by our vendors within a relatively short time horizon.

As of January 31, 2017, our unconditional purchase obligations totaled approximately \$109.8 million, the majority of which were scheduled to occur within the subsequent twelve months. Due to the relatively short life of the obligations, the carrying value approximates the fair value of these obligations at January 31, 2017.

Warranty Liability

The following table summarizes the activity in our warranty liability, which is included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets, for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Warranty liability, beginning of year | \$ 826 | \$ 633 | \$ 706 |
| Provision charged to (credited against) expenses | 797 | 473 | (60) |
| Warranty charges | (658) | (278) | — |
| Foreign currency translation and other | (3) | (2) | (13) |
| Warranty liability, end of year | \$ 962 | \$ 826 | \$ 633 |

We accrue for warranty costs as part of our cost of revenue based on associated product costs, labor costs, and associated overhead. Our Customer Engagement solutions are sold with a warranty of generally one year on hardware and 90 days for software. Our Cyber Intelligence solutions are sold with warranties that typically range in duration from 90 days to three years, and in some cases longer.

Licenses and Royalties

We license certain technology and pay royalties under such licenses and other agreements entered into in connection with research and development activities.

As discussed in Note 1, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies", we receive non-refundable grants from the OCS that fund a portion of our research and development expenditures. The Israeli law under which the OCS grants are made limits our ability to manufacture products, or transfer technologies, developed using these grants outside of Israel. If we were to seek approval to manufacture products, or transfer technologies, developed using these grants outside of Israel, we could be subject to additional royalty requirements or be required to pay certain redemption fees. If we were to violate these restrictions, we could be required to refund any grants previously received, together with interest and penalties, and may be subject to criminal penalties.

Off-Balance Sheet Risk

In the normal course of business, we provide certain customers with financial performance guarantees, which are generally backed by standby letters of credit or surety bonds. In general, we would only be liable for the amounts of these guarantees in the event that our nonperformance permits termination of the related contract by our customer, which we believe is remote. At January 31, 2017, we had approximately \$92.6 million of outstanding letters of credit and surety bonds relating primarily to these performance guarantees. As of January 31, 2017, we believe we were in compliance with our performance obligations under all contracts for which there is a financial performance guarantee, and the ultimate liability, if any, incurred in connection with these guarantees will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position, or cash flows. Our historical non-compliance with our performance obligations has been insignificant.

Indemnifications

In the normal course of business, we provide indemnifications of varying scopes to customers against claims of intellectual property infringement made by third parties arising from the use of our products. Historically, costs related to these indemnification provisions have not been significant and we are unable to estimate the maximum potential impact of these indemnification provisions on our future results of operations.

To the extent permitted under Delaware law or other applicable law, we indemnify our directors, officers, employees, and agents against claims they may become subject to by virtue of serving in such capacities for us. We also have contractual indemnification agreements with our directors, officers, and certain senior executives. The maximum amount of future payments we could be required to make under these indemnification arrangements and agreements is potentially unlimited; however, we have insurance coverage that limits our exposure and enables us to recover a portion of any future amounts paid. We are not able to estimate the fair value of these indemnification arrangements and agreements in excess of applicable insurance coverage, if any.

Legal Proceedings

On March 26, 2009, legal actions were commenced by Ms. Orit Deutsch, a former employee of our subsidiary, Verint Systems Limited ("VSL"), against VSL in the Tel Aviv Regional Labor Court (Case Number 4186/09) (the "Deutsch Labor Action") and against CTI in the Tel Aviv District Court (Case Number 1335/09) (the "Deutsch District Action"). In the Deutsch Labor Action, Ms. Deutsch filed a motion to approve a class action lawsuit on the grounds that she purports to represent a class of our employees and former employees who were granted Verint and CTI stock options and were allegedly damaged as a result of the suspension of option exercises during the period from March 2006 through March 2010, during which we did not make periodic filings with the SEC as a result of certain internal and external investigations and reviews of accounting matters discussed in our prior public filings. In the Deutsch District Action, in addition to a small amount of individual damages, Ms. Deutsch is seeking to certify a class of plaintiffs who were allegedly damaged due to their inability to exercise Verint and CTI stock options as a result of alleged negligence by CTI in its financial reporting. The class certification motions do not specify an amount of damages. On February 8, 2010, the Deutsch Labor Action was dismissed for lack of material jurisdiction and was transferred to the Tel Aviv District Court and consolidated with the Deutsch District Action. On March 16, 2009 and March 26, 2009, respectively, legal actions were commenced by Ms. Roni Katriel, a former employee of CTI's former subsidiary, Comverse Limited, against Comverse Limited in the Tel Aviv Regional Labor Court (Case Number 3444/09) (the "Katriel Labor Action") and against CTI in the Tel Aviv District Court (Case Number 1334/09) (the "Katriel District Action"). In the Katriel Labor Action, Ms. Katriel is seeking to certify a class of plaintiffs who were granted CTI stock options and were allegedly damaged as a result of the suspension of option exercises during an extended filing delay period affecting CTI's periodic reporting discussed in CTI's historical SEC filings. In the Katriel District Action, in addition to a small amount of individual damages, Ms. Katriel is seeking to certify a class of plaintiffs who were allegedly damaged due to their inability to exercise CTI stock options as a result of alleged negligence by CTI in its financial reporting. The class certification motions do not specify an amount of damages. On March 2, 2010, the Katriel Labor Action was transferred to the Tel Aviv District Court, based on an agreed motion filed by the parties requesting such transfer.

On April 4, 2012, Ms. Deutsch and Ms. Katriel filed an uncontested motion to consolidate and amend their claims and on June 7, 2012, the District Court allowed Ms. Deutsch and Ms. Katriel to file the consolidated class certification motion and an amended consolidated complaint against VSL, CTI, and Comverse Limited. Following CTI's announcement of its intention to effect the Comverse Share Distribution, on July 12, 2012, the plaintiffs filed a motion requesting that the District Court order CTI to set aside up to \$150.0 million in assets to secure any future judgment. The District Court ruled that it would not decide this motion until the Deutsch and Katriel class certification motion was heard. Plaintiffs initially filed a motion to appeal this ruling in August 2012, but subsequently withdrew it in July 2014.

Prior to the consummation of the Comverse Share Distribution, CTI either sold or transferred substantially all of its business operations and assets (other than its equity ownership interests in us and Comverse) to Comverse or unaffiliated third parties. On October 31, 2012, CTI completed the Comverse Share Distribution, in which it distributed all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Comverse to CTI's shareholders. As a result of the Comverse Share Distribution, Comverse became an independent public company and ceased to be a wholly owned subsidiary of CTI, and CTI ceased to have any material assets other than its equity interest in us. On September 9, 2015, Comverse changed its name to Xura, Inc.

On February 4, 2013, we completed the CTI Merger. As a result of the CTI Merger, we have assumed certain rights and liabilities of CTI, including any liability of CTI arising out of the Deutsch District Action and the Katriel District Action. However, under the terms of the Distribution Agreement between CTI and Comverse relating to the Comverse Share Distribution, we, as successor to CTI, are entitled to indemnification from Comverse (now Xura) for any losses we suffer in our capacity as successor-in-interest to CTI in connection with the Deutsch District Action and the Katriel District Action.

Following an unsuccessful mediation process, the proceeding before the District Court resumed. On August 28, 2016, the District Court (i) denied the plaintiffs' motion to certify the suit as a class action with respect to all claims relating to Verint stock options and (ii) approved the plaintiffs' motion to certify the suit as a class action with respect to claims of current or former employees of Comverse Limited (now Xura) or VSL who held unexercised CTI stock options at the time CTI suspended option exercises. The court also ruled that the merits of the case and any calculation of damages would be evaluated under New York law.

On December 15, 2016, CTI filed with the Supreme Court a motion for leave to appeal the District Court's August 28, 2016 ruling. The plaintiffs filed their response to the motion on February 26, 2017. The plaintiffs did not file an appeal of the District Court's August 28, 2016 ruling.

On December 13, 2016, the plaintiffs filed a notice with the District Court regarding the appointment of a new representative plaintiff, David Vaknin, for the current or former employees of VSL who held unexercised CTI stock options at the time CTI suspended option exercises. The plaintiffs must now file an amended statement of claims by May 1, 2017.

From time to time we or our subsidiaries may be involved in legal proceedings and/or litigation arising in the ordinary course of our business. While the outcome of these matters cannot be predicted with certainty, we do not believe that the outcome of any current claims will have a material effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

16. SEGMENT, GEOGRAPHIC, AND SIGNIFICANT CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Segment Information

Operating segments are defined as components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the enterprise's chief operating decision maker ("CODM"), or decision making group, in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. Our Chief Executive Officer is our CODM.

Through July 31, 2016, we were organized and had reported our operating results in three operating segments: Enterprise Intelligence, Video Intelligence, and Cyber Intelligence. In August 2016, we reorganized into two businesses and, now report our results in two operating segments, Customer Engagement Solutions ("Customer Engagement") and Cyber Intelligence Solutions ("Cyber Intelligence"). Comparative segment financial information provided for prior periods has been recast to conform to this revised segment structure.

Over time, our Video Intelligence business had evolved to focus on two use cases: the first is fraud mitigation and loss prevention, and the second is situational intelligence and incident response. The fraud and loss prevention use case is applicable to our banking and retail customers, while the situational intelligence and incident response use case is applicable to other vertical markets, including our public sector and campus customers. As part of this evolution, in August 2016, we separated our Video Intelligence team to create better vertical market alignment and growth opportunities. We transitioned the banking and retail portion of the Video Intelligence team into our Enterprise Intelligence segment, aligning it with our large banking and retail customer presence in our Enterprise Intelligence segment. This combined segment has been named Customer Engagement Solutions. We transitioned the situational intelligence portion of the Video Intelligence team into our Cyber Intelligence segment, reflecting this business's focus on security and public safety. We believe this change creates two strong businesses of scale, well positioned for growth in their respective markets, with dedicated management teams, unique product portfolios, and domain expertise, and aligns with the manner in which our CODM receives and uses financial information to allocate resources and evaluate the performance of our Customer Engagement and Cyber Intelligence businesses.

We measure the performance of our operating segments based upon operating segment revenue and operating segment contribution. Operating segment contribution includes segment revenue and expenses incurred directly by the segment, including material costs, service costs, research and development and selling, marketing, and administrative expenses. We do not allocate certain expenses, which include the majority of general and administrative expenses, facilities and communication expenses, purchasing expenses, manufacturing support and logistic expenses, depreciation and amortization, amortization of capitalized software development costs, stock-based compensation, and special charges such as restructuring costs when calculating operating segment contribution. These expenses are included in the unallocated expenses section of the table presented below. Revenue from transactions between our operating segments is not material.

Operating results by segment for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|--|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Revenue: | | | |
| Customer Engagement: | | | |
| Segment revenue | \$ 716,163 | \$ 698,298 | \$ 742,537 |
| Revenue adjustments | (10,266) | (3,441) | (29,032) |
| | <u>705,897</u> | <u>694,857</u> | <u>713,505</u> |
| Cyber Intelligence: | | | |
| Segment revenue | 356,533 | 436,343 | 415,626 |
| Revenue adjustments | (324) | (934) | (695) |
| | <u>356,209</u> | <u>435,409</u> | <u>414,931</u> |
| Total revenue | \$ 1,062,106 | \$ 1,130,266 | \$ 1,128,436 |
| Segment contribution: | | | |
| Customer Engagement | \$ 269,017 | \$ 264,378 | \$ 286,587 |
| Cyber Intelligence | 85,777 | 133,186 | 133,203 |
| Total segment contribution | 354,794 | 397,564 | 419,790 |
| Unallocated expenses, net: | | | |
| Amortization of acquired intangible assets | 81,461 | 78,904 | 76,167 |
| Stock-based compensation | 65,608 | 64,549 | 54,458 |
| Other unallocated expenses | 190,359 | 186,259 | 210,054 |
| Total unallocated expenses, net | <u>337,428</u> | <u>329,712</u> | <u>340,679</u> |
| Operating income | 17,366 | 67,852 | 79,111 |
| Other expense, net | (40,840) | (44,672) | (57,708) |
| (Loss) income before provision (benefit) for income taxes | \$ (23,474) | \$ 23,180 | \$ 21,403 |

Revenue adjustments represent revenue of acquired companies which is included within segment revenue reviewed by the CODM, but not recognizable within GAAP revenue. These adjustments primarily relate to the acquisition-date excess of the historical carrying value over the fair value of acquired companies' future maintenance and service performance obligations. As the obligations are satisfied, we report our segment revenue using the historical carrying values of these obligations, which we believe better reflects our ongoing maintenance and service revenue streams, whereas GAAP revenue is reported using the obligations' acquisition-date fair values.

With the exception of goodwill and acquired intangible assets, we do not identify or allocate our assets by operating segment. Consequently, it is not practical to present assets by operating segment. In connection with our August 2016 change in segmentation, we reallocated goodwill previously assigned to the Video Intelligence operating segment to the Customer Engagement and Cyber Intelligence operating segments. There were no other material changes in the allocations of goodwill and acquired intangible assets by operating segment during the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015. Further details regarding the allocations of goodwill and acquired intangible assets by operating segment appear in Note 5, "Intangible Assets and Goodwill".

Geographic Information

Revenue by major geographic region is based upon the geographic location of the customers who purchase our products and services. The geographic locations of distributors, resellers, and systems integrators who purchase and resell our products may be different from the geographic locations of end customers.

Revenue in the Americas includes the United States, Canada, Mexico, Brazil, and other countries in the Americas. Revenue in EMEA includes the United Kingdom, Germany, Israel, and other countries in EMEA. Revenue in the Asia-Pacific ("APAC") region includes Australia, India, Singapore, and other Asia-Pacific countries.

The information below summarizes revenue from unaffiliated customers by geographic area for the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015:

| (in thousands) | Year Ended January 31, | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Americas: | | | |
| United States | \$ 438,034 | \$ 430,626 | \$ 430,565 |
| Other | 134,111 | 150,435 | 157,992 |
| Total Americas | 572,145 | 581,061 | 588,557 |
| EMEA | 322,130 | 350,217 | 347,056 |
| APAC | 167,831 | 198,988 | 192,823 |
| Total revenue | \$ 1,062,106 | \$ 1,130,266 | \$ 1,128,436 |

Our long-lived assets primarily consist of net property and equipment, goodwill and other intangible assets, capitalized software development costs, deferred cost of revenue, and deferred income taxes. We believe that our tangible long-lived assets, which consist of our net property and equipment, are exposed to greater geographic area risks and uncertainties than intangible assets and long-term cost deferrals, because these tangible assets are difficult to move and are relatively illiquid.

Property and equipment, net by geographic area consisted of the following as of January 31, 2017 and 2016:

| (in thousands) | January 31, | |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| United States | \$ 37,751 | \$ 28,572 |
| Israel | 25,421 | 25,350 |
| Other countries | 14,379 | 14,982 |
| Total property and equipment, net | \$ 77,551 | \$ 68,904 |

Significant Customers

No single customer accounted for more than 10% of our revenue during the years ended January 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

17. SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

Summarized condensed quarterly financial information for the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016 appears in the following tables:

| (in thousands, except per share data) | Three Months Ended | | | |
|---|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | April 30, 2016 | July 31, 2016 | October 31, 2016 | January 31, 2017 |
| Revenue | \$ 245,424 | \$ 261,921 | \$ 258,902 | \$ 295,859 |
| Gross profit | \$ 144,730 | \$ 159,460 | \$ 155,696 | \$ 179,591 |
| (Loss) income before (benefit) provision for income taxes | \$ (15,863) | \$ (10,020) | \$ (4,075) | \$ 6,484 |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (16,193) | \$ (11,078) | \$ (7,434) | \$ 8,459 |
| Net (loss) income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | \$ (17,456) | \$ (11,705) | \$ (8,237) | \$ 8,018 |
| Net (loss) income per common share attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | | | | |
| Basic | \$ (0.28) | \$ (0.19) | \$ (0.13) | \$ 0.13 |
| Diluted | \$ (0.28) | \$ (0.19) | \$ (0.13) | \$ 0.13 |

| (in thousands, except per share data) | Three Months Ended | | | |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | April 30, 2015 | July 31, 2015 | October 31, 2015 | January 31, 2016 |
| Revenue | \$ 269,536 | \$ 295,882 | \$ 284,054 | \$ 280,794 |
| Gross profit | \$ 166,363 | \$ 177,344 | \$ 178,537 | \$ 179,116 |
| Income (loss) before (benefit) provision for income taxes | \$ 1,678 | \$ (3,139) | \$ 10,021 | \$ 14,620 |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 731 | \$ (5,760) | \$ 8,470 | \$ 18,787 |
| Net (loss) income attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | \$ (416) | \$ (7,085) | \$ 7,634 | \$ 17,505 |
| Net (loss) income per common share attributable to Verint Systems Inc. | | | | |
| Basic | \$ (0.01) | \$ (0.11) | \$ 0.12 | \$ 0.28 |
| Diluted | \$ (0.01) | \$ (0.11) | \$ 0.12 | \$ 0.28 |

Net (loss) income per common share attributable to Verint Systems Inc. is computed independently for each quarterly period and for the year. Therefore, the sum of quarterly net (loss) income per common share amounts may not equal the amounts reported for the years.

Quarterly operating results for the years ended January 31, 2017 and 2016 did not include any material unusual or infrequently occurring items.

As is typical for many software and technology companies, our business is subject to seasonal and cyclical factors. In most years, our revenue and operating income are typically highest in the fourth quarter and lowest in the first quarter (prior to the impact of unusual or nonrecurring items). Moreover, revenue and operating income in the first quarter of a new year may be lower than in the fourth quarter of the preceding year, in some years, potentially by a significant margin. In addition, we generally receive a higher volume of orders in the last month of a quarter, with orders concentrated in the later part of that month. We believe that these seasonal and cyclical factors primarily reflects customer spending patterns and budget cycles, as well as the impact of compensation incentive plans for our sales personnel. While seasonal and cyclical factors such as these are common in the software and technology industry, this pattern should not be considered a reliable indicator of our future revenue or financial performance. Many other factors, including general economic conditions, also have an impact on our business and financial results. See "Risk Factors" under Item 1A of this report for a more detailed discussion of factors which may affect our business and financial results.

Item 9. Changes In and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Management conducted an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act, as of January 31, 2017. Disclosure controls and procedures are those controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported, within the time periods specified by the rules and forms promulgated by the SEC. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. As a result of this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of January 31, 2017.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f). Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of January 31, 2017 based on the 2013 framework established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Our internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with GAAP.

Based on the results of our evaluation, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of January 31, 2017. We reviewed the results of management's assessment with our Audit Committee.

Our independent registered accounting firm, Deloitte & Touche LLP, has audited the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as stated in their report included herein.

In performing the assessment of our internal control over financial reporting as of the date of the evaluation, our management has excluded the operations of Contact Solutions and OpinionLab. These exclusions are in accordance with the SEC's general guidance that an assessment of a recently acquired business may be omitted from the scope of the evaluation for a period of up to one year following the acquisition. Total assets (excluding acquired goodwill and intangible assets) and revenue subject to Contact Solutions' and OpinionLab's internal control over financial reporting represented approximately 1% and 3% our consolidated total assets and revenue, respectively, as of and for the year ended January 31, 2017. We are currently assessing the control environments of these acquired businesses.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes to our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during the three months ended January 31, 2017, that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Inherent Limitations on Effectiveness of Controls

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our disclosure controls or our internal control over financial reporting will prevent or detect all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system will be achieved. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the impact of resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. These inherent limitations include the possibility that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple errors. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by individual acts, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls also is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all possible conditions. Over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with policies or procedures. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of
Verint Systems Inc.
Melville, New York

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of Verint Systems Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of January 31, 2017, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on that risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company's board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of January 31, 2017, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended January 31, 2017 of the Company and our report dated March 28, 2017 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

/s/ *DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP*

New York, New York
March 28, 2017

Item 9B. Other Information

Not applicable.

PART III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

Except as set forth below, the information required by Item 10 will be included under the captions “Election of Directors”, “Corporate Governance”, “Executive Officers” and “Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance” in our definitive Proxy Statement for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days of the year ended January 31, 2017 (the “2017 Proxy Statement”) and is incorporated herein by reference.

Corporate Governance Guidelines

All of our employees, including our executive officers, are required to comply with our Code of Conduct. Additionally, our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and senior officers must comply with our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for Senior Officers. The purpose of these corporate policies is to ensure to the greatest possible extent that our business is conducted in a consistently legal and ethical manner. The text of the Code of Conduct and the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for Senior Officers is available on our website (www.verint.com). We intend to disclose on our website any amendment to, or waiver from, a provision of our policies as required by law.

Item 11. Executive Compensation

The information required by Item 11 will be included under the captions “Executive Compensation” and “Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation” in the 2017 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

Except as set forth below, the information required by Item 12 will be included under the caption “Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management” in the 2017 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

Securities Authorized for Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans

The following table sets forth certain information regarding our equity compensation plans as of January 31, 2017.

| Plan Category | (a) Number of Securities to be Issued upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants, and Rights | (b) Weighted- Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights (1) | (c) Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a)) |
|--|--|---|--|
| Equity compensation plans approved by security holders | 2,743,978 (2) | \$ 10.09 | 5,231,990 (3) |
| Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders | — | | — |
| Total | 2,743,978 | \$ 10.09 | 5,231,990 |

(1) The weighted-average price relates to outstanding stock options only (as of the applicable date). Other outstanding awards carry no exercise price and are therefore excluded from the weighted-average price.

(2) Consists of 1,569 stock options and 2,742,409 restricted stock units.

(3) Consists of shares that may be issued pursuant to future awards under the Verint Systems Inc. 2015 Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan (the “2015 Plan”). The 2015 Plan uses a fungible ratio such that each option or stock-settled stock appreciation

right granted under the 2015 Plan will reduce the plan capacity by one share and each other award denominated in shares that is granted under the 2015 Plan will reduce the available capacity by 2.29 shares.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

The information required by Item 13 will be included under the captions “Corporate Governance” and “Certain Relationships and Related Person Transactions” in the 2017 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

The information required by Item 14 will be included under the caption “Audit Matters” in the 2017 Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules

(a) Documents filed as part of this report

(1) Financial Statements

The consolidated financial statements filed as part of this report are listed on the Index to Consolidated Financial Statements in Part II, Item 8 of this Form 10-K.

(2) Financial Statement Schedules

All financial statement schedules have been omitted here because they are not applicable, not required, or the information is shown in the consolidated financial statements or notes thereto.

(3) Exhibits

See (b) below.

(b) Exhibits

| Number | Description | Filed Herewith / Incorporated by Reference from |
|--------|---|--|
| 2.1 | Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated August 12, 2012, by and among Comverse Technology, Inc., Verint Systems Inc. and Victory Acquisition I LLC* | Form 8-K filed on August 13, 2012 |
| 2.2 | Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated January 6, 2014, by and among Verint Systems Inc., Kiwi Acquisition Inc., Kay Technology Holdings, Inc. and Accel-KKR Capital Partners III, LP* | Form 8-K filed on January 6, 2014 |
| 2.3 | Distribution Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2012, by and between Comverse Technology, Inc. and Comverse, Inc. | Comverse, Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 2, 2012 |
| 2.4 | Tax Disaffiliation Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2012, by and between Comverse Technology, Inc. and Comverse, Inc. | Comverse, Inc. Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 2, 2012 |
| 3.1 | Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Verint Systems Inc. | Form S-1 (Commission File No. 333-82300) effective on May 16, 2002 |
| 3.2 | Amended and Restated By-laws of Verint Systems Inc. (as amended as of March 19, 2015) | Form 8-K filed on March 25, 2015 |
| 3.3 | Amended and Restated Certificate of Designation, Preferences and Rights of the Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock of Verint Systems Inc. | Form 10-Q filed on September 6, 2012 |
| 4.1 | Specimen Common Stock certificate | Form S-1 (Commission File No. 333-82300) effective on May 16, 2002 |
| 4.2 | Specimen Series A Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock certificate | Form 10-K filed on March 17, 2010 |
| 4.3 | Indenture, dated as of June 18, 2014, between Verint Systems Inc. and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee. | Form 8-K filed on June 18, 2014 |
| 4.4 | First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of June 18, 2014, between Verint Systems Inc. and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee. | Form 8-K filed on June 18, 2014 |
| 10.1 | Form of Indemnification Agreement | Form S-1 (Commission File No. 333-82300) effective on May 16, 2002 |
| 10.2 | Verint Systems Inc. 2010 Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan | Form S-8 (Commission File No. 333-169768) effective on October 5, 2010 |

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| 10.3 | Amendment No. 1 to Verint Systems Inc. 2010 Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan | Form 8-K filed on June 19, 2012 |
| 10.4 | Vovici Corporation Amended and Restated Stock Plan | Form 10-K filed on April 2, 2012 |
| 10.5 | Amended and Restated Comverse Technology, Inc. 2011 Stock Incentive Compensation Plan | Form S-8 (Commission File No. 333-189062) effective on June 3, 2013 |
| 10.6 | Verint Systems Inc. 2015 Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan | Form 8-K filed on June 26, 2015 |
| 10.7 | Verint Systems Inc. Stock Bonus Program** | Form 10-K filed on March 30, 2016 |
| 10.8 | Form of Time-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Grants Subsequent to March 2014** | Form 10-K filed on March 31, 2014 |
| 10.9 | Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Grants Subsequent to March 2015** | Form 10-K filed on March 27, 2015 |
| 10.10 | Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Grants Subsequent to March 2016** | Form 10-K filed on March 30, 2016 |
| 10.11 | Form of Time-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Grants Subsequent to March 2016** | Form 10-K filed on March 30, 2016 |
| 10.12 | Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Grants Subsequent to March 2017** | Filed herewith |
| 10.13 | Credit Agreement dated as of April 29, 2011 among Verint Systems Inc., as Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent | Form 8-K filed on May 2, 2011 |
| 10.14 | Amendment and Restatement Agreement, dated as of March 6, 2013, among Verint Systems Inc., the lenders party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent, including the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 6, 2013, among Verint Systems Inc., as Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent attached as Exhibit A thereto | Form 8-K filed on March 8, 2013 |
| 10.15 | Amendment No. 1, Incremental Amendment and Joinder Agreement dated February 3, 2014 to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 6, 2013, among Verint Systems Inc., as Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent | Form 8-K filed on February 3, 2014 |
| 10.16 | Amendment No. 2, dated February 3, 2014 to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 6, 2013, among Verint Systems Inc., as Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent | Form 8-K filed on February 3, 2014 |
| 10.17 | Amendment No. 3, dated February 3, 2014 to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 6, 2013, among Verint Systems Inc., as Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent | Form 8-K filed on February 3, 2014 |
| 10.18 | Amendment No. 4, dated March 7, 2014 to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 6, 2013, among Verint Systems Inc., as Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent | Form 8-K filed on March 10, 2014 |
| 10.19 | Amendment No. 5, Incremental Amendment and Joinder Agreement dated June 18, 2014 to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 6, 2013, among Verint Systems Inc., as Borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent. | Form 8-K filed on June 18, 2014 |
| 10.20 | Employment Agreement, dated February 23, 2010, between Verint Systems Inc. and Dan Bodner** | Form 8-K filed on February 23, 2010 |
| 10.21 | Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated July 13, 2011, between Verint Systems Inc. and Douglas Robinson** | Form 8-K filed on July 14, 2011 |
| 10.22 | Second Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated July 13, 2011, between Verint Systems Inc. and Elan Moriah** | Form 8-K filed on July 14, 2011 |
| 10.23 | Second Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated July 13, 2011, between Verint Systems Inc. and Peter Fante** | Form 8-K filed on July 14, 2011 |

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| 10.24 | Summary of the Terms of Verint Systems Inc. Executive Officer Annual Bonus Plan** | Form 10-K filed on March 27, 2015 |
| 10.25 | Federal Income Tax Sharing Agreement, dated as of January 31, 2002, between Comverse Technologies, Inc. and Verint Systems Inc. | Form S-1 (Commission File No. 333-82300) effective on May 16, 2002 |
| 12.1 | Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Ratios of Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and Preference Security Dividends | Filed herewith |
| 21.1 | Subsidiaries of Verint Systems Inc. | Filed herewith |
| 23.1 | Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm | Filed herewith |
| 31.1 | Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 | Filed herewith |
| 31.2 | Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 | Filed herewith |
| 32.1 | Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(b) and 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 (1) | Filed herewith |
| 32.2 | Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(b) and 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 (1) | Filed herewith |
| 101.INS | XBRL Instance Document | Filed herewith |
| 101.SCH | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document | Filed herewith |
| 101.CAL | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document | Filed herewith |
| 101.DEF | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document | Filed herewith |
| 101.LAB | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document | Filed herewith |
| 101.PRE | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document | Filed herewith |

(1) These exhibits are being "furnished" with this periodic report and are not deemed "filed" with the SEC and are not incorporated by reference in any filing of the company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

* Certain exhibits and schedules have been omitted, and the Company agrees to furnish supplementally to the SEC a copy of any omitted exhibits or schedules upon request.

** Denotes a management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as an exhibit to this form pursuant to Item 15(b) of this report.

(c) Financial Statement Schedules

None

Item 16. Form 10-K Summary

None.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

VERINT SYSTEMS INC.

March 28, 2017

/s/ Dan Bodner

Dan Bodner

President and Chief Executive Officer

March 28, 2017

/s/ Douglas E. Robinson

Douglas E. Robinson

Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Title</u> | <u>Date</u> |
|---|---|----------------|
| <u>/s/ Dan Bodner</u> Dan Bodner | Chief Executive Officer and President, and Director (Principal Executive Officer) | March 28, 2017 |
| <u>/s/ Douglas E. Robinson</u> Douglas E. Robinson | Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer) | March 28, 2017 |
| <u>/s/ Victor A. DeMarines</u> Victor A. DeMarines | Chairman of the Board of Directors | March 28, 2017 |
| <u>/s/ John R. Egan</u> John R. Egan | Director | March 28, 2017 |
| <u>/s/ William H. Kurtz</u> William H. Kurtz | Director | March 28, 2017 |
| <u>/s/ Larry Myers</u> Larry Myers | Director | March 28, 2017 |
| <u>/s/ Richard Nottenburg</u> Richard Nottenburg | Director | March 28, 2017 |
| <u>/s/ Howard Safir</u> Howard Safir | Director | March 28, 2017 |
| <u>/s/ Earl Shanks</u> Earl Shanks | Director | March 28, 2017 |

_____, 20__

[Name of Recipient]

[Address]

Notice of Grant of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units

Dear **[Name]**:

Congratulations! You have been granted a performance-based restricted stock unit award (the "Award") pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Verint Systems Inc. 2015 Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan, as modified by any sub-plan, addendum, or supplement applicable to you under Section 16 of the Agreement (as defined below) (the "Plan") and the attached Verint Systems Inc. (the "Company") Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (the "Agreement"). The details of your Award are specified below and in the attached Agreement. Capitalized terms used in this Notice of Grant and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings given in the Plan or the Agreement.

Granted To: **[Name]**
ID#: **[ID Number]**

Grant Date: **[_____]**, 20__

Target Number
of Units Granted:

[Number] (with the opportunity to earn up to **[Number]**¹ additional Restricted Stock Units).² The Restricted Stock Units eligible to be earned under this Award will be divided one-third into "Revenue Units", one-third into "EBITDA Units", and one-third into "TSR Units", which will vest independently based on the Performance Matrix attached as Exhibit A.

Price Per Unit: U.S.\$0.00

Performance Period: As specified in the Performance Matrix attached as Exhibit A.

¹ Not to exceed 100% of the target number of Restricted Stock Units (or such lower percentage as specified by the grant resolutions).

² Note that the maximum number of Restricted Stock Units granted is subject to the approval of the Compensation Committee.

Vesting Schedule:

The Restricted Stock Units granted hereby shall vest on the dates or at the times set forth in the Agreement, following the achievement of specified performance goals, but in any event, no earlier than [____], 20__ for the Revenue Units and for the EBITDA Units, and no earlier than [____], 20__ for the TSR Units.³

Verint Systems Inc.

By my signature below or my electronic acceptance hereof (if provided to me electronically), I hereby acknowledge my receipt of this Award granted on the date shown above, which has been issued to me under the terms and conditions of the Plan and the Agreement. I agree that the Award is subject to all of the terms and conditions of this Notice of Grant, the Plan, and the Agreement.

If I am a resident of Canada, I also acknowledge having requested that this Notice and all documents referred to herein be drafted in the English language. *Je reconnais également avoir exigé que ce document ainsi que tout document auquel ce document fait référence, soient rédigés en langue anglaise.*

Signature: _____ Date: _____

³ Dates to be specified in the applicable grant resolutions, with the first date to be after the filing of the Company's 10-K covering the final year of the performance period applicable to the Revenue and EBITDA Units (and the release of the related blackout period) and with the second date to be after the filing of the Company's 10-K covering the final year of the performance period applicable to the TSR Units (and the release of the related blackout period).

VERINT SYSTEMS INC.

PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT

This Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (this “Agreement”) and the Verint Systems Inc. 2015 Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan, as modified by any sub-plan, addendum, or supplement applicable to you under Section 16 of this Agreement (the “Plan”) govern the terms and conditions of the Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award (the “Award”) specified in the Notice of Grant of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units (the “Notice of Grant”) delivered herewith entitling the person to whom the Notice of Grant is addressed (“Grantee”) to receive from Verint Systems Inc. (the “Company”) the target number of performance-based Restricted Stock Units indicated in the Notice of Grant and the opportunity to earn additional Restricted Stock Units (if provided for in the Notice of Grant), as described herein, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

1 RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS; VESTING

1.1 Grant of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units.

- (a)** Subject to the terms of this Agreement, the Company hereby grants to Grantee the target number of performance-based restricted stock units (as may be further defined under the terms of the Plan, “Restricted Stock Units”) indicated in the Notice of Grant, and if provided in the Notice of Grant, the opportunity to earn additional Restricted Stock Units⁴ (if applicable, the “Overachievement Units”).
- (b)** Subject to the terms of this Agreement, Grantee’s right to receive all or any portion of the Restricted Stock Units will be contingent upon the Company’s achievement of one or more performance goals specified in the performance matrix attached as Exhibit A to this Agreement (the “Performance Matrix”) measured over the performance period(s) specified in the Performance Matrix.
- (c)** If and when the Restricted Stock Units vest in accordance with the terms of the Plan, this Agreement, and the Notice of Grant without forfeiture, and upon the satisfaction of all other applicable conditions as to the Restricted Stock Units, one Share shall be issuable to Grantee for each Restricted Stock Unit that vests on such date, which Shares, except as otherwise provided herein or in the Notice of Grant, will be free of any Company-imposed transfer restrictions. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Company reserves the right to settle the Award in cash or cancel the award for cash, based on the Fair Market Value of the Shares on the applicable vesting dates, subject to required withholding and in accordance with the customary payroll practices of the entity employing Grantee.

⁴ Note that the maximum number of Restricted Stock Units granted is subject to the approval of the Compensation Committee.

1.2 Vesting of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units.

- (a) Generally. Vesting of the Restricted Stock Units shall be in accordance with the Performance Matrix. If the calculations specified on the Performance Matrix would result in the vesting of a fraction of a Restricted Stock Unit, the result of the calculation will be rounded down to the nearest whole Restricted Stock Unit.
- (b) Determination of Earned Award. Not later than 60 days following the Board's receipt of the Company's audited financial statements covering the final year of the performance period applicable to a given category of Restricted Stock Units, the Committee will determine (i) whether and to what extent the performance goal(s) have been satisfied, (ii) the number of Restricted Stock Units vesting hereunder pursuant to the terms hereof, and (iii) whether all other conditions to receipt of the Shares have been met. The Committee's determination of the foregoing shall be final and binding on Grantee absent a showing of manifest error. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, no Restricted Stock Units for a given category shall vest (x) until the Committee has made the foregoing determinations and (y) prior to the date or dates discussed in the next paragraph.
- (c) Time Vesting Limitation. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding the determination of the Board or the Committee pursuant to the previous paragraph, no Restricted Stock Units will vest prior to the date or dates specified in the Notice of Grant.
- (d) Other Vesting Provisions. Any Restricted Stock Units that do not become vested based on the foregoing provisions will be automatically forfeited by Grantee without consideration. Vesting shall cease upon the date Grantee's Continuous Service terminates for any reason, unless otherwise determined by the Board or the Committee in its sole discretion or otherwise provided in a separate written agreement between the parties.

1.3 Forfeiture.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided herein, Grantee's right to receive any of the Restricted Stock Units is contingent upon his or her remaining in the Continuous Service of the Company or a Subsidiary or Affiliate through the respective vesting dates specified in the Notice of Grant and hereunder. If Grantee's Continuous Service terminates for any reason, all Restricted Stock Units which are then unvested shall, unless otherwise determined by the Board or the Committee in its sole discretion or subject to a separate written agreement between the parties, be cancelled and the Company shall thereupon have no further obligation thereunder. For the avoidance of doubt, subject to a separate written agreement between the parties, Grantee acknowledges and agrees that he or she has no expectation that any Restricted Stock Units will vest on the termination of his or her Continuous Service for any reason and that he or she will not be entitled to make a claim for any loss occasioned by such forfeiture as part of any claim for breach of his or her employment or service contract or otherwise.

1.4 Delivery.

- (a)** Subject to Section 1.6 and any other applicable conditions hereunder, as soon as administratively practicable following the vesting of Restricted Stock Units in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Notice of Grant (but in no event later than the date the short-term deferral period under Section 409A of the Code expires with respect to such vested Shares), the Company shall issue the applicable Shares and, at its option, (i) deliver or cause to be delivered to Grantee a certificate or certificates for the applicable Shares or (ii) transfer or arrange to have transferred the Shares to a brokerage account of Grantee designated by the Company.
- (b)** Notwithstanding the foregoing, the issuance of Shares upon the vesting of a Restricted Stock Unit shall be delayed in the event the Company reasonably anticipates that the issuance of Shares would constitute a violation of U.S. federal securities laws, other applicable law, or Nasdaq rules. If the issuance of the Shares is delayed by the provisions of this paragraph, such issuance shall occur at the earliest date at which the Company reasonably anticipates issuing the Shares will not cause such a violation. For purposes of this paragraph, the issuance of Shares that would cause inclusion in gross income or the application of any penalty provision or other provision of the Code or other tax legislation applicable to Grantee is not considered a violation of applicable law.

1.5 Restrictions.

- (a)** Except as provided herein, Grantee shall not have any rights as a stockholder with respect to any Shares to be distributed under this Agreement until he, she or it has become the holder of such Shares as provided in this Agreement. Until delivery of such Shares (or other settlement of the Award hereunder), Grantee will have only the rights of a general unsecured creditor of the Company.
- (b)** The Award is subject to the transferability restrictions under the Plan.

1.6 Tax; Withholding.

- (a)** The Company shall determine the amount of any withholding or other tax required by law to be withheld or paid by the Company or its Subsidiary with respect to any income recognized by Grantee with respect to the Restricted Stock Units or the issuance of Shares pursuant to the terms of the Restricted Stock Units.
- (b)** Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary, Affiliate or agent makes any representation or undertaking regarding the treatment of any tax or withholding in connection with the grant, vesting or settlement of the Award or the subsequent sale of Shares subject to the Award. The Company and its Subsidiaries and Affiliates do not commit and are under no obligation to structure the Award to reduce or eliminate Grantee's tax liability, and none of the Company, any of its Subsidiaries or Affiliates, or any of their employees or representatives shall have any liability to Grantee with respect thereto.

- (c) Notwithstanding the withholding provision in the Plan:
- (i) If in the tax jurisdiction in which Grantee resides, a tax withholding obligation arises upon vesting of the Award (regardless of when the Shares underlying the Award are delivered to Grantee), or for non-employee directors of the Company in any jurisdiction, on each date that all or a portion of the Award actually vests, if (1) the Company does not have in place an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”) and there is not a Securities Act exemption available under which Grantee may sell Shares or (2) Grantee is subject to a Company-imposed trading blackout, then unless Grantee has made other arrangements satisfactory to the Company, the Company will (x) with respect to employees of the Company, withhold from the Shares to be delivered to Grantee such number of Shares as are sufficient in value (as determined by the Company in its sole discretion) to cover the minimum amount of the tax withholding obligation and (y) with respect to non-employee directors of the Company, settle 40% of the portion of the Award then vesting in cash by paying Grantee cash (in accordance with the Company’s normal payroll practices) equal to the Fair Market Value of one Share for each Restricted Stock Unit being settled in such manner.
 - (ii) If in the tax jurisdiction in which Grantee resides, a tax withholding obligation arises upon delivery of the Shares underlying the Restricted Stock Units (regardless of when vesting occurs), then following each date that all or a portion of the Award actually vests, the Company will defer the delivery of the Shares otherwise deliverable to Grantee until the earliest of: (1) the date Grantee’s employment with the Company (or a Subsidiary or Affiliate) is terminated (by either party), (2) the date that the short-term deferral period under Section 409A of the Code expires with respect to such vested Shares, or (3) the date on which the Company has in place an effective registration statement under the Securities Act or there is a Securities Act exemption available under which Grantee may sell Shares and on which Grantee is not subject to a Company-imposed trading blackout (the earliest of such dates, the “Delivery Date”). If on the Delivery Date (x) the Company does not have in place an effective registration statement under the Securities Act and there is not a Securities Act exemption available under which Grantee may sell Shares or (y) Grantee is subject to a Company-imposed trading blackout, then unless Grantee has made other arrangements satisfactory to the Company, the Company will withhold from the Shares to be delivered to Grantee such number of Shares as are sufficient in value (as determined by the Company in its sole discretion) to cover the minimum amount of the tax withholding obligation.
- (d) Grantee is ultimately liable and responsible for all taxes owed by Grantee in connection with the Award, regardless of any action the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, Affiliates or agents takes with respect to any tax withholding obligations that arise in connection with the Award. Accordingly, Grantee agrees to pay to the Company or its relevant Subsidiary, Affiliate or agent as soon as practicable, including through additional payroll withholding (if permitted under applicable law), any amount of required tax

withholding that is not satisfied by any such action of the Company or its Subsidiary, Affiliate or agent.

- (e) The Committee shall be authorized, in its sole discretion, to establish such rules and procedures relating to the use of Shares of common stock to satisfy tax withholding obligations as it deems necessary or appropriate to facilitate and promote the conformity of Grantee's transactions under this Agreement with Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, if such rule is applicable to transactions by Grantee.

1.7 Detrimental Activity. In the event the Company determines or discovers during or after the course of Grantee's employment or service that Grantee committed an act during the course of employment or service that constitutes or would have constituted Cause for termination, the Committee shall have the right, to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law, to cancel all or any portion of the Award (whether or not vested).

1.8 Erroneously Awarded Compensation. The Award, if and to the extent subject to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 or any regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively, the "Dodd-Frank Act"), may be subject to a claw back policy or other incentive compensation policy established from time to time by the Company to comply with such Act.

2 CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

Defined terms not defined in this Agreement but defined in the Plan shall have the same definitions as in the Plan. For the avoidance of doubt, in each instance that the term "Company" is used in the Plan, "Company" shall mean Verint Systems Inc.

The performance goals specified in the performance matrix shall be measured by the Committee (for calculation purposes) on a non-GAAP basis, consistent with the Company's Board-approved budget and 2-year plan, with the Committee having the discretion, but not the obligation, to adjust any such performance goals and/or the associated vesting levels to reflect the impact of:

- extraordinary transactions or unbudgeted Company merger/acquisitions or similar activity,
- changes in applicable tax or other laws, rules, or regulations,
- changes in applicable revenue recognition or other accounting rules, requirements, or standards, or
- stock repurchases or dividends paid to stockholders,

in order to prevent unintended enlargement or dilution of benefits to the Grantee as a result of such activity.

3 REPRESENTATIONS OF GRANTEE

Grantee hereby represents to the Company that Grantee has read and fully understands the provisions of this Agreement, and Grantee acknowledges that Grantee is relying solely on his or her advisors with respect to the tax consequences of the Award. Grantee acknowledges that this Agreement has

not been reviewed or approved by any regulatory authority in his or her country of residence or otherwise.

4 NOTICES

All notices or communications under this Agreement shall be in writing, addressed as follows:

To the Company:

Verint Systems Inc.
175 Broadhollow Road
Melville, NY 11747-3201
U.S.A.
+(631) 962-9600 (phone)
+(631) 962-9623 (fax)
Attn: Chief Legal Officer

To Grantee:

as set forth in the Company's payroll records

Any such notice or communication shall be (a) delivered by hand (with written confirmation of receipt) or sent by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service (receipt requested) or (b) sent certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed as above (or to such other address as such party may designate in writing from time to time), and the actual date of receipt shall determine the time at which notice was given. Grantee will promptly notify the Company in writing upon any change in Grantee's mailing address or e-mail address.

5 BINDING AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs and representatives of Grantee and the assigns and successors of the Company.

6 ENTIRE AGREEMENT; AMENDMENT

The Plan, this Agreement and the Notice of Grant represent the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. Subject to the terms of the Plan, the Committee may waive any conditions or rights under, amend any terms of, or alter, suspend, discontinue, cancel or terminate, the Award; provided that any such waiver, amendment, alteration, suspension, discontinuance, cancellation or termination that would impair the rights of Grantee or any holder or beneficiary of the Award previously granted shall not be effective as to Grantee without the written consent of Grantee, holder or beneficiary, but further provided that the consent of Grantee or any holder or beneficiary shall not be required to an amendment that is deemed necessary by the Company to ensure compliance with (a) the Dodd-Frank Act, including, without limitation, as a result of the implementation of any recoupment policy the Company adopts to comply with the requirements set forth in the Dodd-Frank Act and (b) Section 409A of the Code as amplified by any Internal Revenue Service or U.S. Treasury Department regulations or guidance, or any other applicable equivalent tax law, rule, or regulation, as the Company deems appropriate or advisable.

7 GOVERNING LAW

The rules and regulations relating to this Agreement shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, applied without giving effect to its conflict of laws principles. Each party to this Agreement hereby consents and submits himself, herself or itself to the jurisdiction of the courts of the state of New York for the purposes of any legal action or proceeding arising out of this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall affect the right of the Company to commence proceedings against Grantee in any other competent jurisdiction, or concurrently in more than one jurisdiction, or to serve process, pleadings and other papers upon Grantee in any manner authorized by the laws of any such jurisdiction. Grantee irrevocably waives:

- (a) any objection which he, she or it may have now or in the future to the laying of the venue of any action, suit or proceeding in any court referred to in this Section; and
- (b) any claim that any such action, suit or proceeding has been brought in an inconvenient forum.

8 SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Agreement is or becomes or is deemed to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction or as to any person or this Agreement, or would disqualify this Agreement under any law deemed applicable by the Committee, such provision shall be construed or deemed amended to conform to the applicable laws, or if it cannot be construed or deemed amended without, in the determination of the Committee, materially altering the intent of this Agreement, such provision shall be stricken as to such jurisdiction, person or this Agreement and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

9 ONE-TIME GRANT; NO RIGHT TO CONTINUED SERVICE OR PARTICIPATION; EFFECT ON OTHER PLANS

The Award evidenced by this Agreement is a voluntary, discretionary bonus being made on a one-time basis and it does not constitute a commitment to make any future awards, even if awards have been made repeatedly in the past. Further, the Award is made outside the scope of Grantee's employment or service contract, if any, unless otherwise expressly provided therein. Neither this Agreement nor the Notice of Grant shall be construed as giving Grantee the right to be retained in the employ of, or in any consulting or other service relationship to, or as a director on the Board or board of directors, as applicable, of, the Company or any Subsidiary or Affiliate of the Company. Further, the Company or a Subsidiary or Affiliate of the Company may at any time dismiss Grantee from employment or discontinue any consulting or other service relationship, free from any liability or any claim under the Plan or this Agreement, unless otherwise expressly provided in the Plan, this Agreement or any applicable employment or service contract or agreement. In the event that Grantee is not an employee of the Company, the grant of the Award will not be interpreted to form an employment contract or relationship with the Company or any Affiliate or Subsidiary of the Company. Payment received by Grantee pursuant to this Agreement and the Notice of Grant shall not be considered part of normal or expected compensation or salary for any purpose, including, but not limited to, calculation of any overtime, severance, resignation, termination, redundancy, end of service payments, bonuses, long-service awards, pension or retirement benefits or similar payments and shall not be included in the determination of benefits under any pension, group insurance or

other benefit plan of the Company or any Subsidiary or Affiliate in which Grantee may be enrolled, except as provided under the terms of such plans, or as determined by the Board.

10 NATURE OF THE GRANT

In accepting the Award, Grantee acknowledges that:

(a) the Plan is established voluntarily by the Company, it is discretionary in nature and may be modified, amended, suspended or terminated by the Company at any time, unless otherwise provided in the Plan or this Agreement;

(b) Grantee's participation in the Plan is voluntary;

(c) the future value of the underlying Shares is unknown and cannot be predicted with certainty;

(d) if Grantee receives Shares upon vesting of the Award, the value of such Shares may increase or decrease in value; and

(e) in consideration of the grant of the Award, no claim or entitlement to compensation or damages arises from diminution in value of the Award received upon vesting of the Award or, except as otherwise provided herein or under a separate agreement between the parties, from the termination of the Award resulting from termination of Grantee's Service to the Company or a Subsidiary or Affiliate (for any reason whatsoever and whether or not in breach of local labor laws) and, subject to the foregoing, Grantee irrevocably releases the Company and its Subsidiaries and Affiliates from any such claim that may arise; if, notwithstanding the foregoing, any such claim is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to have arisen, then, by signing this Agreement, Grantee shall be deemed irrevocably to have waived his, her or its entitlement to pursue such claim.

11 NO STRICT CONSTRUCTION

No rule of strict construction shall be implied against the Company, the Committee, or any other person in the interpretation of any of the terms of this Agreement, the Notice of Grant or any rule or procedure established by the Committee.

12 USE OF THE WORD "GRANTEE"

Wherever the word "Grantee" is used in any provision of this Agreement under circumstances where the provision should logically be construed to apply to the executors, the administrators, or the person or persons to whom the Restricted Stock Units may be transferred by will or the laws of descent and distribution, the word "Grantee" shall be deemed to include such person or persons.

13 FURTHER ASSURANCES

Grantee agrees, upon demand of the Company or the Committee, to do all acts and execute, deliver and perform all additional documents, instruments and agreements which may be reasonably required by the Company or the Committee, as the case may be, to implement the provisions and purposes of this Agreement.

14 CONSENT TO TRANSFER PERSONAL DATA

The Company and its Subsidiaries hold certain personal information about Grantee, that may include Grantee's name, home address and telephone number; date of birth, social security number or other employee identification number; salary, nationality, job title, any Shares of stock held in the Company, or details of any entitlement to Shares of stock awarded, canceled, purchased, vested, or unvested, for the purpose of implementing, managing, and administering the Award, the Plan or this Agreement (collectively "Data"). Grantee hereby agrees that the Company and/or its Subsidiaries may transfer Data amongst themselves as necessary for the purpose of implementation, administration, and management of Grantee's participation in the Award, the Plan or this Agreement, and the Company and/or any of its Subsidiaries may each further transfer Data to any third parties assisting the Company in the implementation, administration, and management of the Award, the Plan or this Agreement. These recipients may be located throughout the world, including, without limitation, outside Grantee's country of residence (or outside of the European Economic Area, for Grantees located within the European Economic Area). Such countries may not provide for a similar level of data protection as provided for by local law (such as, for example, European privacy directive 95/46/EC and local implementations thereof). Grantee hereby authorizes those recipients – even if they are located in a country outside of Grantee's country of residence (and/or outside of the European Economic Area, for Grantees located within the European Economic Area) – to receive, possess, use, retain, and transfer the Data, in electronic or other form, for the purpose of implementing, administering, and managing Grantee's participation in the Award, the Plan or this Agreement, including but not limited to any transfer of such Data as may be required for the administration of the Award, the Plan or this Agreement and/or the subsequent holding of Shares of stock on Grantee's behalf by a broker or other third party with whom Grantee or the Company may elect to deposit any Shares of stock acquired pursuant to the Award, the Plan or this Agreement. Grantee is not obliged to consent to such collection, use, processing and transfer of personal data and may, at any time, review Data, require any necessary amendments to it, or withdraw the consent contained in this Section by contacting the Company in writing. However, withdrawing or withholding consent may affect Grantee's ability to participate in the Award, the Plan or this Agreement. More information on the Data and/or the consequences of withholding or withdrawing consent can be obtained from the Company's legal department.

15 GOVERNING PLAN DOCUMENT

This Agreement is subject to all the provisions of the Plan, the provisions of which are hereby made a part of this Agreement, and is further subject to all interpretations, amendments, rules and regulations which may from time to time be promulgated and adopted pursuant to the Plan. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Agreement and those of the Plan, the provisions of the Plan control.

16 CERTAIN COUNTRY-SPECIFIC PROVISIONS

For residents of the UK only:

Your Award is subject to the UK Sub-Plan under the Plan.

Grantee agrees, as a condition to its acceptance of the Award, to satisfy any requirement of the Company or any Subsidiary that, prior to vesting of all or any part of the Award, Grantee enter into a joint election under section 431(1) of the UK Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003, the effect of which is that the Shares issued on vesting will be treated as if they were not restricted securities.

Tax withholding obligations under this Agreement shall include, without limitation:

- (i) United Kingdom (UK) income tax; and
- (ii) UK primary class 1 (employee's) national insurance contributions.

For residents of Canada only:

Your Award is subject to the Canadian Sub-Plan under the Plan.

I acknowledge having requested that this Agreement and all documents referred to herein be drafted in the English language. *Je reconnais également avoir exigé que ce document ainsi que tout document auquel ce document fait référence, soient rédigés en langue anglaise.*

Tax withholding obligations under this Agreement shall include federal and provincial income tax, Canadian Pension Plan contributions, and Employment Insurance premiums (including the provincial equivalents) as applicable.

For residents of Hong Kong only:

a) The Data Protection Principles specified in the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486 of the Laws of Hong Kong) will apply to any Data upon its transfer to any place outside of Hong Kong.

b) Hong Kong Securities Law Notice. The Restricted Stock Units and any Shares issued pursuant to the Awards do not constitute a public offering of securities under Hong Kong law and are available to any eligible person under the Plan. The Agreement, the Plan and other incidental communication materials (together, the “Award Agreement”) have not been prepared in accordance with and are not intended to constitute a “prospectus” for a public offering of securities under the applicable securities legislation in Hong Kong. The Restricted Stock Units and any related documentation are intended only for the personal use of each eligible person under the Plan and may not be distributed to any other person. The contents of the Award Agreement, including the Plan, have not been reviewed by any regulatory authority in Hong Kong. You are advised to exercise caution in relation to the offer. If you are in any doubt about any of the contents of the Award Agreement or the Plan, you should obtain independent professional advice.

For residents of Russia only:

You acknowledge that the grant of Restricted Stock Units, the Plan and all other materials you may receive regarding participation in the Plan do not constitute an advertising or offering of securities in Russia. The issuance of securities pursuant to the Plan has not and will not be registered in Russia and therefore, the securities described in any Plan-related documents may not

be used for offering or public circulation in Russia.

You further acknowledge that in no event will Shares that may be issued to you with respect to the Restricted Stock Units be delivered to you in Russia; all Shares issued to you with respect to the Restricted Stock Units will be maintained on your behalf in the United States.

For residents of Argentina only:

Neither the award under the plan nor the underlying shares are publicly offered or listed on any stock exchange in Argentina. The offer is private and not subject to the supervision of any Argentine governmental authority.

For residents of Israel only:

By my signature on or electronic acceptance of this Agreement, I acknowledge that the Award is granted under and governed by (i) this Agreement, (ii) the Plan, a copy of which has been provided to me or made available for my review, (iii) the Israeli Supplement (“the Supplement”), a copy of which has been provided to me or made available for my review; (iv) Section 102(b)(2) of the Income Tax Ordinance (New Version) – 1961 and the Rules promulgated in connection therewith, and (v) the Trust Agreement, a copy of which has been provided to me or made available for my review. Furthermore, by my signature on or electronic acceptance of this Agreement, I agree that the Awards will be issued to the Trustee to hold on my behalf, pursuant to the terms of the Section 102, the Section 102 Rules and the Trust Agreement.

In addition, by my signature on or electronic acceptance of this Agreement, I confirm that I am familiar with the terms and provisions of Section 102, particularly the Capital Gains Track described in subsection (b)(2) thereof, and I agree that I will not require the Trustee to release the Awards or Company shares to me, or to sell the Awards or Company shares to a third party, during the Holding Period, unless permitted to do so by applicable law.

All capitalized terms in this undertaking shall have the meaning granted to them under the Supplement.

For residents of India only:

Your Award is subject to the India Addendum to the Plan.

END OF AGREEMENT

EXHIBIT A
Performance Matrix
Performance Equity Award Granted [_____], 20 _____

The Restricted Stock Units eligible to be earned under this Award are divided into three categories: one-third “Revenue Units”, one-third “EBITDA Units”, and one-third “TSR Units”, with each category of Restricted Stock Units vesting independently based on the table below.

No Restricted Stock Units of a given category will be earned if performance falls below the threshold for such category. Vesting levels between points on the table below will be on a linear basis between such points. If the Notice of Grant makes Overachievement Units available, the maximum payout (for performance at or above the maximum level) will be at the maximum percentage specified in the table below for such category. If the Notice of Grant does not make Overachievement Units available, the maximum payout (for performance at or above the target level) will be at the target percentage specified in the table below for such category.

The performance period for the Revenue Units and for the EBITDA Units will be from [_____] to [_____].⁵

The performance period for the TSR Units will be from [_____] to [_____].⁶

| Revenue Achieved in Performance Period⁷ | Payout Percentage for Revenue Units |
|---|--|
| Threshold ([__] % of Revenue Target) | [__] % |
| Target (100% of Revenue Target) | [__] % |
| Maximum ([__] % of Revenue Target) | [__] % ⁸ |

| EBITDA Achieved in Performance Period⁹ | Payout Percentage for EBITDA Units |
|--|---|
| Threshold ([__] % of EBITDA Target) | [__] % |
| Target (100% of EBITDA Target) | [__] % |
| Maximum ([__] % of EBITDA Target) | [__] % ¹⁰ |

⁵ Two year performance period.

⁶ Three year performance period.

⁷ May include more than three data points.

⁸ If the Notice of Grant does not make Overachievement Units available for over-performance, replace this line of the table with “Maximum: Not Applicable”.

⁹ May include more than three data points.

¹⁰ If the Notice of Grant does not make Overachievement Units available for over-performance, replace this line of the table with “Maximum: Not Applicable”.

| Relative TSR Achieved in Performance Period¹¹ | Payout Percentage for TSR Units |
|---|--|
| < 25th percentile Relative TSR | <input type="text"/> % |
| Threshold (25 th percentile Relative TSR) | <input type="text"/> % |
| Target (50 th percentile Relative TSR) | <input type="text"/> % |
| Maximum (75 th or > percentile Relative TSR) | <input type="text"/> % ¹² |

“Relative TSR” means the Company’s total stockholder return, on a percentile basis, relative to the companies comprising the S&P 1500 Information Technology Sector Index (the “Index”) with respect to the performance period for the TSR Units, weighted equally and based on the applicable 90-day volume-weighted trailing average closing prices of such constituent companies as of the beginning and end of such performance period (adjusted for dividends); provided that members of the Index will only be taken into account for purposes of the calculation of Relative TSR if they constitute part of the Index at both the beginning and the end of the performance period.

¹¹ May include more than four data points.

¹² If the Notice of Grant does not make Overachievement Units available for over-performance, replace this line of the table with “Maximum: Not Applicable”.

Verint Systems Inc. and Subsidiaries
Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges
and
Ratios of Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and Preference Security Dividends

| (in thousands, except ratios) | Year Ended January 31, | | | | |
|---|------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 |
| Earnings: | | | | | |
| (Loss) income before provision (benefit) for income taxes | \$ (23,474) | \$ 23,180 | \$ 21,403 | \$ 63,315 | \$ 67,764 |
| Add: Fixed charges | 43,302 | 40,218 | 42,151 | 34,330 | 35,900 |
| Subtract: Noncontrolling interest in pre-tax income of subsidiaries | (3,616) | (5,526) | (6,293) | (6,081) | (5,783) |
| | <u>\$ 16,212</u> | <u>\$ 57,872</u> | <u>\$ 57,261</u> | <u>\$ 91,564</u> | <u>\$ 97,881</u> |
| Fixed Charges and Preference Security Dividends: | | | | | |
| Interest expense, including amortization of discounts | \$ 21,018 | \$ 20,586 | \$ 27,529 | \$ 27,119 | \$ 27,544 |
| Amortization of deferred debt-related costs | 13,944 | 13,300 | 9,133 | 2,662 | 3,489 |
| Interest component of rent expense | 8,340 | 6,332 | 5,489 | 4,549 | 4,867 |
| Total Fixed Charges | <u>43,302</u> | <u>40,218</u> | <u>42,151</u> | <u>34,330</u> | <u>35,900</u> |
| Dividends on convertible preferred stock (pre-tax) | — | — | — | 211 | 18,883 |
| Total Fixed Charges and Preference Security Dividends | <u>\$ 43,302</u> | <u>\$ 40,218</u> | <u>\$ 42,151</u> | <u>\$ 34,541</u> | <u>\$ 54,783</u> |
| Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges | <u>*</u> | <u>1.4</u> | <u>1.4</u> | <u>2.7</u> | <u>2.7</u> |
| Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preference Security Dividends | <u>*</u> | <u>1.4</u> | <u>1.4</u> | <u>2.7</u> | <u>1.8</u> |

* Earnings were deficient in covering fixed charges by \$27.1 million for the year ended January 31, 2017.

Earnings consists of our consolidated net income before income taxes, plus fixed charges, reduced by the non-controlling interest in the pre-tax income of a consolidated subsidiary that did not incur fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of interest expense (including only interest expense on third party indebtedness and excluding interest expense accrued on uncertain tax positions), amortization of debt discounts and capitalized expenses related to indebtedness as well as a portion of rental expense deemed by us to be representative of the interest factor within rental payments under operating leases. Preference security dividends represent the estimated amount of pre-tax earnings necessary to pay dividends on our previously outstanding Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. Dividends on our Series A Convertible Preferred Stock were cumulative. Our Series A Convertible Preferred Stock was canceled on February 4, 2013, in connection with our merger with CTI. No dividends had been declared or paid on our Series A Convertible Preferred Stock.

Subsidiaries of Verint Systems Inc.

(as of March 1, 2017)

| Name | Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization |
|---|---|
| Adtech Global (UK) Limited | United Kingdom |
| BPA Corporate Facilitation Ltd. (1) | United Kingdom |
| BPA International, Inc. (1) | New York |
| Ciboodle Ireland Ltd. | Ireland |
| Ciboodle (Land and Estates) Ltd. | United Kingdom |
| Ciboodle Ltd. | United Kingdom |
| CIS Comverse Information Systems Ltd. | Israel |
| Febrouin Investments Ltd. | Cyprus |
| Focal Info Israel Ltd. | Israel |
| Gita Technologies Ltd. | Israel |
| Global Management Technologies, LLC | Delaware |
| Iontas Limited | Ireland |
| KANA Software Ireland Limited | Ireland |
| KANA Software Ireland No. 2 Limited | Ireland |
| KANA Solutions Limited | United Kingdom |
| Lagan Technologies Limited | United Kingdom |
| MultiVision Holdings Limited | British Virgin Islands |
| OpinionLab Canada Inc. | Canada |
| Permadeal Limited | Cyprus |
| PT Ciboodle Indonesia | Indonesia |
| Rontal Engineering Applications (2001) Ltd. | Israel |
| Suntech S.A. | Brazil |
| Syborg GmbH | Germany |
| Syborg Grundbesitz GmbH | Germany |
| Syborg Informationssysteme b.h. OHG | Germany |
| Trinicom Duetschland GmbH | Germany |
| Triniventures BV | Netherlands |
| UT Techeng Limited | Cyprus |
| UTX Technologies Limited | Cyprus |
| Verint Acquisition LLC | Delaware |
| Verint Americas Inc. | Delaware |
| Verint CES Ltd. | Israel |
| Verint Netherlands BV | Netherlands |
| Verint Systems (Asia Pacific) Limited | Hong Kong |
| Verint Systems (Australia) PTY Ltd. | Australia |
| Verint Systems Belgium N.V. | Belgium |
| Verint Systems Bulgaria | Bulgaria |
| Verint Systems B.V. | The Netherlands |
| Verint Systems Canada Inc. | Canada |
| Verint Systems Cayman Limited | Cayman Islands |
| Verint Systems GmbH | Germany |
| Verint Systems (India) Private Ltd. | India |
| Verint Systems Japan K.K. | Japan |
| Verint Systems Ltd. | Israel |

| Name | Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization |
|--|--|
| Verint Systems New Zealand Limited | New Zealand |
| Verint Systems (Philippines) Corporation | Philippines |
| Verint Systems Poland sp.z.o.o. | Poland |
| Verint Systems (PTY) Ltd. | South Africa |
| Verint Systems SAS | France |
| Verint Systems (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. (2) | Singapore |
| Verint Systems (Software and Services) Pte Ltd. | Singapore |
| Verint Systems (Taiwan) Ltd. | Taiwan (Republic of China) |
| Verint Systems UK Ltd. | United Kingdom |
| Verint Systems (Zhuhai) Limited | People's Republic of China |
| Verint Technology Cyprus Ltd. | Cyprus |
| Verint Technology Inc. | Delaware |
| Verint Technology UK Limited | United Kingdom |
| Verint Video Solutions SL | Spain |
| Verint Witness Systems LLC | Delaware |
| Verint Witness Systems S.A. de C.V. | Mexico |
| Verint Witness Systems Services S.A. de C.V. | Mexico |
| Verint Witness Systems Software, Hardware, E Servicos Do Brasil Ltda | Brazil |
| Verint WS Holdings Ltd. | United Kingdom |
| Victory Acquisition I LLC | Delaware |
| Witness Systems Software (India) Private Limited | India |

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- (1) We own a 51% equity interest in this entity.
 - (2) We own a 50% equity interest in this entity and do not have the power to unilaterally direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of this entity.

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors
Verint Systems Inc.
Melville, New York

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statement Nos. 333-167618, 333-169005, 333-169768, 333-171006, 333-173421, 333-173454, 333-174820, 333-182032, 333-182755, 333-189062, 333-198575, and 333-205658 on Form S-8 and Registration Statement No. 333-196612 on Form S-3 of our reports dated March 28, 2017, relating to the consolidated financial statements of Verint Systems Inc., and the effectiveness of Verint Systems Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting, appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Verint Systems Inc. for the year ended January 31, 2017.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

New York, New York
March 28, 2017

CERTIFICATION BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE
SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Dan Bodner, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Verint Systems Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: March 28, 2017

By: /s/ Dan Bodner

Dan Bodner
President and Chief Executive Officer
Principal Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION BY THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE
SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Douglas E. Robinson, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Verint Systems Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Dated: March 28, 2017

By: /s/ Douglas E. Robinson

Douglas E. Robinson
Chief Financial Officer
Principal Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Verint Systems Inc. (the “Company”) on Form 10-K for the period ended January 31, 2017 (the “Report”), I, Dan Bodner, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: March 28, 2017

/s/ Dan Bodner

Dan Bodner

President and Chief Executive Officer

Principal Executive Officer

This certification accompanies this Report on Form 10-K pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and shall not, except to the extent required by such Act, be deemed filed by the Company for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”). Such certification will not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the Company specifically incorporates it by reference.

CERTIFICATION REQUIRED BY 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Verint Systems Inc. (the “Company”) on Form 10-K for the period ended January 31, 2017 (the “Report”), I, Douglas E. Robinson, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: March 28, 2017

/s/ Douglas E. Robinson

Douglas E. Robinson

Chief Financial Officer

Principal Financial Officer

This certification accompanies this Report on Form 10-K pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and shall not, except to the extent required by such Act, be deemed filed by the Company for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”). Such certification will not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the Company specifically incorporates it by reference.