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**FORM 10-Q** 

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(Mark ⊠	One) QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURIT 1934	IES EXCHANGE ACT OF	
	For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2018		
	OR		
	TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURIT 1934	ES EXCHANGE ACT OF	
	For the transition period from to		
	Commission File Number: 001-37924		
	BlackLine, Inc. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)		
	Delaware 46-33	54276	
	(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. E incorporation or organization) Identification		
	21300 Victory Boulevard, 12th Floor Woodland Hills, CA 91367 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code) (818) 223-9008 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)		
of 193	ate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes $\square$ No $\square$		Act
File re	ate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web equired to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) ch shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes $\boxtimes$ No $\square$		
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	emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended ew or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.		with
Indica	ate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange	Act). Yes □ No ⊠	

The number of shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding at May 4, 2018 was 53,442,300.

# ${\bf BlackLine\ Inc.}$

# Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q

# For the Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2018

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#### SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which statements involve substantial risk and uncertainties. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "could," "expect," "plan," anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "intend," "potential," "would," "continue," "ongoing" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. All statements other than statements of historical fact are statements that could be deemed forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, statements regarding future financial and operational performance; statements concerning growth strategies including extension of distribution channels and strategic relationships, product innovation, international expansion, customer growth and expansion, customer service initiatives, expectations regarding contract size and increased focus on strategic products, expectations for hiring new talent and expanding our sales organization; our ability to accurately forecast revenue and appropriately plan expenses and investments; the demand for and benefits from the use of our current and future solutions; market acceptance of our solutions; and changes in the competitive environment in our industry and the markets in which we operate. These statements are based upon our historical performance and our current plans, estimates and expectations and are not a representation that such plans, estimates, or expectations will be achieved. Forward-looking statements are based on information available at the time those statements are made and/or management's good faith beliefs and assumptions as of that time with respect to future events, and are subject to risks and uncertainty. If any of these risks or uncertainties materialize or if any assumptions prove incorrect, actual performance or results may differ materially from those expressed in or suggested by the forward looking statements. Readers are cautioned that these forward-looking statements are only predictions and are subject to risks, uncertainty, and assumptions that are difficult to predict, including those identified below, under "Part II-Other Information, Item 1A. Risk Factors" and elsewhere herein. Forward-looking statements should not be read as a guarantee of future performance or results, and you should not place undue reliance on such statements. Furthermore, we undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements for any reason.

Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms "BlackLine, Inc.," "the Company," "we," "us" and "our" in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q refer to the consolidated operations of BlackLine, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries as a whole, references to "Silver Lake Sumeru" refers to either or both of Silver Lake Sumeru Fund, L.P. and Silver Lake Technology Investors Sumeru, L.P., and references to "Iconiq" refer to any or all of Iconiq Strategic Partners, L.P., ICONIQ Strategic Partners-B, L.P. and Iconiq Strategic Partners Co-Invest, L.P., BL Series. We refer to Silver Lake Sumeru, Iconiq, Therese Tucker, and Mario Spanicciati collectively as our Principal Stockholders.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

(in thousands)

		March 31, 2018	 December 31, 2017 *As Adjusted
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	30,864	\$ 31,104
Marketable securities		83,168	81,476
Accounts receivable, net		57,019	61,918
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		15,625	13,956
Total current assets	· ·	186,676	 188,454
Capitalized software development costs, net		7,557	6,824
Property and equipment, net		13,280	12,769
Intangible assets, net		37,485	40,808
Goodwill		185,138	185,138
Other assets		28,379	 26,820
Total assets	\$	458,515	\$ 460,813
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$	6,566	\$ 7,254
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		12,240	20,874
Deferred revenue		110,733	104,184
Short-term portion of contingent consideration		2,008	 2,008
Total current liabilities		131,547	134,320
Contingent consideration		3,970	3,858
Deferred tax liabilities, net		1,501	1,743
Deferred revenue, noncurrent		477	468
Other long-term liabilities		3,459	3,119
Total liabilities		140,954	143,508
Commitments and contingencies (Note 6)			
Stockholders' equity:			
Common stock		535	530
Additional paid-in capital		427,104	419,628
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(133)	(63)
Accumulated deficit		(109,945)	 (102,790)
Total stockholders' equity		317,561	 317,305
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	458,515	\$ 460,813

See Note 3 for a summary of adjustments.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

(in thousands, except per share data)

	Quarter E	Quarter Ended March 31,				
	2018		2017			
			*As Adjusted			
Revenues						
Subscription and support	\$ 48,625		36,558			
Professional services	2,659		1,623			
Total revenues	51,284		38,181			
Cost of revenues						
Subscription and support	9,381		7,755			
Professional services	2,225	<u> </u>	1,455			
Total cost of revenues	11,606	<u> </u>	9,210			
Gross profit	39,678		28,971			
Operating expenses						
Sales and marketing	29,227	•	21,820			
Research and development	6,929	ı	5,948			
General and administrative	11,082		8,253			
Total operating expenses	47,238	i	36,021			
Loss from operations	(7,560	)	(7,050)			
Other income (expense)						
Interest income	389	,	224			
Interest expense	(4	.)	(4)			
Change in fair value of the common						
stock warrant liability		<u> </u>	(1,000)			
Other income (expense), net	385	<u></u>	(780)			
Loss before income taxes	(7,175	)	(7,830)			
Benefit from income taxes	(20	)	(145)			
Net loss	\$ (7,155	5) \$	(7,685)			
Basic net loss per share	\$ (0.13	3) \$	(0.15)			
Shares used to calculate basic net loss per share	53,151		51,282			
Diluted net loss per share	\$ (0.13	\$) \$	(0.15)			
Shares used to calculate diluted net loss per share	53,151		51,282			

<sup>\*</sup> See Note 3 for a summary of adjustments.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE LOSS (UNAUDITED)

(in thousands)

	Quarter Ended March 31,						
	 2018		2017				
		*As	s Adjusted				
Net loss	\$ (7,155)	\$	(7,685)				
Other comprehensive income (loss)							
Net change in unrealized gain on marketable securities,							
net of tax of \$0 for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017	(70)		2				
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(70)		2				
Comprehensive loss	\$ (7,225)	\$	(7,683)				

<sup>\*</sup> See Note 3 for a summary of adjustments.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (UNAUDITED)

(in thousands)

	Commo	on Sto	ck	Additional Paid-in	Accumulated Other Comprehensive		Accumulated			
	Shares	Amount C		Amount		Capital Loss		Loss	Deficit	Total
							*As Adjusted	*As Adjusted		
Balance at December 31, 2017	52,983	\$	530	\$419,628	\$	(63)	\$ (102,790)	\$ 317,305		
Stock option exercises	459		5	3,448		_	_	3,453		
Repurchases of common stock	_		_	(16)		_	_	(16)		
Stock-based compensation	_		_	4,044		_	_	4,044		
Other comprehensive loss	_		_	_		(70)	_	(70)		
Net loss	_		_	_		_	(7,155)	(7,155)		
Balance at March 31, 2018	53,442	\$	535	\$427,104	\$	(133)	\$ (109,945)	\$ 317,561		

<sup>\*</sup> See Note 3 for a summary of adjustments.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

# (in thousands)

	Quarter Ended March 31,			31,
		2018		2017
			*As	s Adjusted
Cash flows from operating activities	Φ.	(7.155)	ф	(7.005)
Net loss  Adjustments to reconcile not lose to not each provided by (yeard in) experting activities:	\$	(7,155)	\$	(7,685)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		F 204		4.701
Depreciation and amortization		5,394		4,791
Change in fair value of common stock warrant liability		110		1,000
Change in fair value of contingent consideration		112		93
Stock-based compensation		3,974		1,849
(Accretion) amortization of purchase discounts/premiums on marketable securities, net		(67)		63
Net foreign currency (gains) losses		(59)		(005)
Deferred income taxes		(242)		(235)
Provision for doubtful accounts receivable		(51)		_
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of the acquisition:		5.050		(4 505)
Accounts receivable		5,058		(1,595)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(1,891)		(1,277)
Other assets		(1,285)		(1,434)
Accounts payable		(929)		(3,253)
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		(7,935)		(2,469)
Deferred revenue		6,558		8,422
Other long-term liabilities		340		25
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		1,822		(1,705)
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchases of marketable securities		(30,175)		_
Proceeds from maturities of marketable securities		28,480		5,200
Capitalized software development costs		(1,653)		(1,083)
Purchases of property and equipment		(1,634)		(488)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(4,982)		3,629
Cash flows from financing activities				
Principal payments on capital lease obligations		(443)		(549)
Proceeds from exercises of stock options		3,453		65
Repurchases of common stock		(16)		_
Payments of initial public offering costs		_		(110)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		2,994		(594)
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash		(166)		1,330
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period		31,504		22,518
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of period	\$	31,338	\$	23,848
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Reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash to the condensed consolidated balance sheets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	30.864	\$	23,448
Restricted cash included within prepaid expenses and other current assets	Ψ	200	~	
Restricted cash included within other assets		274		400
Total cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	\$	31,338	\$	23,848
·	Ψ	31,330	Ψ	20,040
* See Note 3 for a summary of adjustments.				

See Note 3 for a summary of adjustments.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

### SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOWS DISCLOSURE

(in thousands)

	Quarter Ended March 31,				
	2018			2017	
Non-cash financing and investing activities					
Stock-based compensation capitalized for software development	\$	70	\$	30	
Capitalized software development costs included in accounts payable and accrued expenses and other current liabilities at end of period	\$	199	\$	45	
Purchases of property and equipment included in accounts payable and accrued expenses and other current liabilities at end of period	\$	383	\$	445	

# BLACKLINE, INC. NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLDIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Note 1 - Company Overview

BlackLine, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the "Company" or "BlackLine") provide financial accounting close solutions delivered primarily as Software as a Service ("SaaS"). The Company's solutions enable its customers to address various aspects of their financial close process including account reconciliations, variance analysis of account balances, journal entry capabilities, and certain types of data matching capabilities.

The Company is headquartered in Los Angeles, California and has offices in Chicago, Atlanta, New York, Vancouver, London, Paris, Frankfurt, Sydney, Melbourne, Kuala Lumpur, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Singapore, and South Africa.

#### Note 2 - Basis of Presentation, Significant Accounting Policies and Recently-Issued Accounting Pronouncements

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") for interim financial information. Certain information and disclosures normally included in consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted. Accordingly, these condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and the related notes included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on March 8, 2018. The condensed consolidated financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared on a basis consistent with that used to prepare the audited annual consolidated financial statements and include, in the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting of normal and recurring items, necessary for the fair statement of the condensed consolidated financial statements. The condensed consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2017 was derived from audited financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by GAAP. The operating results for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the full year ending December 31, 2018.

#### Use of estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the consolidated financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period.

#### Reclassifications

Certain prior-period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current-period presentation. These reclassifications had no impact on the previously-reported consolidated results of operations or stockholders' equity.

#### Significant accounting policies

The Company's significant accounting policies are detailed in "Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017. On January 1, 2018, the Company adopted Accounting Standards Codification No. 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, on a full retrospective basis and has revised the Company's accounting policies as it relates to revenue recognition and contract costs as a result of the adoption.

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognized upon transfer of control of promised products or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration the Company expects to receive in exchange for those products or services. The Company enters into contracts that can include various combinations of subscription and support and professional services, which are generally capable of being distinct and accounted for as separate performance obligations. The Company's agreements do not contain any refund provisions other than in the event of the Company's non-performance or breach.

The Company determines revenue recognition through the following steps:

- Identification of the contract, or contracts, with a customer
- Identification of the performance obligations in the contract
- Determination of the transaction price
- Allocation of the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract
- · Recognition of revenue when, or as, the Company satisfies a performance obligation

**Subscription and support revenue** – Customers pay subscription and support fees for access to the Company's SaaS platform generally for a one-year period. In more limited cases, customers may pay for up to three years in advance. Fees are based on a number of factors, including the solutions subscribed for by the customer and the number of users having access to the solutions. Subscription services, which allow customers to use hosted software over the contract period without taking possession of the software, are considered distinct performance obligations and are recognized ratably as the Company transfers control evenly over the contract period.

Subscription and support revenue also includes software and related maintenance and support fees on legacy BlackLine solutions and Runbook Company B.V. ("Runbook") software. Software licenses for legacy BlackLine solutions and Runbook software provide the customer with a right to use the software as it exists when made available to the customer. Customers may have purchased perpetual licenses or term based licenses, which provide customers with the same functionality and differ mainly in the duration over which the customer benefits from the software.

Software licenses are bundled with software maintenance and support, and the transaction price of the contract is allocated between the software licenses and the software maintenance and support. Maintenance and support convey rights to new software and upgrades released over the contract period and provide support, tools, and training to help customers deploy and use products more efficiently. Software licenses are considered distinct performance obligations and revenue is recognized at a point in time when control of the license has transferred and the license period commences. Maintenance and support are distinct performance obligations that are satisfied over time, and revenue is recognized ratably over the contract period as customers simultaneously consume and receive benefits.

**Professional services revenue** – Professional services consist of implementation and consulting services to assist the Company's customers as they deploy its solutions. These services are considered distinct performance obligations. Professional services do not result in significant customization of the subscription service. The Company applies the practical expedient to recognize professional services revenue when it has the right to invoice based on time and materials incurred.

Significant judgments – The Company's contracts with customers often include promises to transfer multiple products and services. Determining whether products and services are considered distinct performance obligations that should be accounted for separately versus together may require significant judgment. Judgment is also required to determine the stand alone selling price ("SSP") for each distinct performance obligation. The Company typically has more than one standalone selling price for its SaaS solutions and professional services. Additionally, management has determined that there are no third-party offerings reasonably comparable to the Company's solutions. Therefore, the Company determines the standalone selling prices of subscriptions to the SaaS solutions and professional services based on numerous factors including the Company's overall pricing objectives, geography, customer size and number of users, and discounting practices. The Company uses historical maintenance renewal fees to estimate SSP for maintenance and support fees bundled with software licenses. The Company uses the residual method to estimate SSP of software licenses, because license pricing is highly variable and not sold separately from maintenance and support.

**Contract balances** – Timing of revenue recognition may differ from the timing of invoicing to customers. The Company records an unbilled receivable when revenue is recognized prior to invoicing, and deferred revenue when revenue is recognized subsequent to invoicing. The Company generally invoices customers annually at the beginning of

each annual contract period. The Company records a receivable related to revenue recognized for multi-year agreements as it has an unconditional right to invoice and receive payment in the future related to those services.

Deferred revenue is comprised mainly of billings related to the Company's SaaS solutions in advance of revenue being recognized. Deferred revenue also includes payments for: professional services to be performed in the future; legacy BlackLine maintenance and support; Runbook maintenance, support, license, and implementation; and other offerings for which the Company has been paid in advance and earns the revenue when the Company transfers control of the product or service.

Changes in deferred revenue for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017 were primarily due to additional billings in the quarters, partially offset by revenue recognized of \$43.7 million and \$32.3 million, respectively, that was previously included in the deferred revenue balance at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

The transaction price is generally determined by the stated fixed fees in the contract, excluding any related sales taxes. Transaction price allocated to remaining performance obligations represents contracted revenue that has not yet been recognized ("contracted not recognized"), which includes deferred revenue and amounts that will be invoiced and recognized as revenue in future periods. Contracted not recognized revenue was \$233.3 million at March 31, 2018, of which the Company expects to recognize approximately 63% over the next 12 months and the remainder thereafter.

Fees are generally due and payable upon receipt of invoice or within 30 days. None of the Company's contracts includes a significant financing component.

Assets recognized from the costs to obtain a contract with a customer – The Company recognizes an asset for the incremental and recoverable costs of obtaining a contract with a customer if the Company expects the benefit of those costs to be one year or longer. The Company has determined that certain sales incentive programs to the Company's employees ("deferred customer contract acquisition costs") and its partners ("partner referral fees") meet the requirements to be capitalized. Deferred customer acquisition costs related to new revenue contracts and upsells are deferred and then amortized straight line over the expected period of benefit that the Company has determined to be five years, based upon both the product turnover rate and estimated customer life. Partner referral fees are deferred and then amortized on a straight-line basis over the related contractual period, as the fees for renewals are commensurate with fees incurred for the initial contract. Deferred customer acquisition costs and partner referral fees are included within other assets and prepaid expenses and other current assets, respectively, on the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

Amortization expense related to the asset recognized from the costs to obtain a contract with a customer is included in sales and marketing expenses in the condensed consolidated statements of operations and was \$5.3 million and \$3.3 million for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

#### Recently issued accounting pronouncements not yet adopted

In February 2016, the FASB issued new guidance which significantly changes the accounting for leases. The new guidance requires a lessee recognize in the balance sheet a liability to make lease payments (the lease liability) and a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term. For leases with a term of 12 months or less, a lessee is permitted to make an accounting policy election by class of underlying asset not to recognize lease assets and lease liabilities. If a lessee makes this election, it should recognize lease expense for such leases generally on a straight-line basis over the lease term. For income statement purposes, the new guidance retained a dual model, requiring leases to be classified as either operating or financing. Operating leases will result in straight-line expense while finance leases will result in a front-loaded expense pattern similar to existing capital lease guidance. For statement of cash flow purposes, the new guidance also retained the existing dual method, where cash payments for operating leases are reflected in cash flows from operating activities and principal and interest payments for finance leases are reflected in cash flows from financing activities and cash flows from operating activities, respectively. The new guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018 and interim periods within those fiscal years. The new guidance requires the recognition and measurement of leases at the beginning of the earliest period presented using a modified retrospective approach. The use of the modified retrospective approach allows an entity to use a number of practical expedients in the application of this new guidance. Although the Company is evaluating the impact of adopting this guidance on its consolidated financial statements, the Company expects that most of its operating lease commitments will be recognized as operating lease liabilities and right-of-use assets upon adoption of the new guidance.

In June 2016, the FASB issued guidance which requires that financial assets measured at amortized cost be presented at the net amount expected to be collected. This guidance amends the accounting for credit losses for available-for-sale securities and purchased financial assets with credit deterioration. This guidance is effective for annual

periods beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those annual periods. Early adoption is permitted for any interim or annual period after December 15, 2018. The Company has not determined the impact of this guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In March 2017, the FASB issued guidance which shortens the amortization period for certain purchased callable debt securities held at a premium. Under this new guidance, an entity would shorten the amortization period of the premium to the earliest call date. This guidance is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those annual periods. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. The Company has not determined the impact of this guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In July 2017, the FASB issued guidance which changes the classification analysis of certain equity-linked financial instruments or embedded features, for example warrants and convertible debt, with down round features. When determining whether certain financial instruments should be classified as liabilities or equity instruments, a down round feature no longer precludes equity classification when assessing whether the instrument is indexed to an entity's own stock. The amendments also clarify existing disclosure requirements for equity-classified instruments. As a result, a freestanding equity-linked financial instrument or embedded conversion option no longer would be accounted for as a derivative liability at fair value as a result of the existence of a down round feature. This new guidance also amends existing earnings per share guidance to recognize the effect of the down round feature when it is triggered. This guidance is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those annual periods. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. If the guidance is adopted in an interim period, any adjustments should be reflected as of the beginning of the fiscal year that includes that interim period. This new guidance may be adopted on a modified retrospective approach by means of a cumulative-effect adjustment to the statement of financial position as of the beginning of the first fiscal year and interim period in which the guidance is effective or on a full retrospective basis. The Company's warrants to purchase common stock, which were exercised in May 2017, were liability classified and recorded at fair value each period as a result of down round features. The Company is assessing the impact of this guidance on its consolidated financial statements and its adoption method.

In February 2018, the FASB issued an Accounting Standard Update ("ASU") that provides companies with an option to reclassify stranded tax effects resulting from enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act") from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings. The guidance will be effective for the Company beginning in the first quarter of 2019 with early adoption permitted, and would be applied either in the period of adoption or retrospectively to each period (or periods) in which the effect of the change in the tax rate as a result of the Tax Act is recognized. The Company does not expect the adoption of this ASU to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

#### Recently adopted accounting pronouncements

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB") issued guidance related to revenue from contracts with customers. Under this guidance, revenue is recognized when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration that is expected to be received for those goods or services. In addition, the standard requires disclosure of the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts with customers. The Company adopted the new revenue guidance effective January 1, 2018 using the full retrospective method to restate each prior reporting period presented. The Company implemented internal controls and key system functionality to enable the preparation of financial information and adoption. The most significant impact of the standard relates to the Company's accounting for the incremental costs of obtaining a contract, such as sales commissions. Under the new revenue standard, commissions are recognized over an estimated period of benefit of five years rather than over the non-cancelable contract term. The standard also impacted the Company's accounting for on-premise solutions which includes software license, maintenance and support fees on Runbook solutions. Under the new guidance, the Company recognizes software license revenue at the time of delivery rather than over the maintenance term. Revenue recognition related to subscription, support, and professional services fees for access to the Company's SaaS platform is substantially unchanged. Adoption of the standard using the full retrospective method required the Company to restate certain previously reported results; see Note 3 – "Revenues" for additional information regarding the impacts to previously reported results.

In November 2016, the FASB issued guidance which requires that restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents be included with cash and cash equivalents when reconciling the beginning and ending total amounts shown on the statement of cash flows. The Company adopted this guidance effective January 1, 2018, and all prior periods have been restated, as required by the new standard. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In February 2017, the FASB issued guidance which simplifies the subsequent measurement of goodwill by no longer requiring an entity to determine goodwill impairment by calculating the implied fair value of goodwill by assigning the fair value of a reporting unit to all of its assets and liabilities as if that reporting unit had been acquired in a business combination. Under this new guidance, an entity would perform its goodwill impairment test by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount and would recognize an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value; however, the loss recognized would not exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. Additionally, an entity would consider income tax effects from any tax deductible goodwill on the carrying amount of the reporting unit when measuring the goodwill impairment loss, if applicable. Under the new guidance, an entity continues to have the option to perform the qualitative assessment for a reporting unit to determine if the quantitative impairment test is necessary. This guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019 and interim periods within those years. Early adoption is permitted for interim or annual goodwill impairment tests performed on testing dates after January 1, 2017. The Company adopted this standard effective January 1, 2018, and the adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In May 2017, the FASB issued guidance to clarify which changes to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award require an entity to apply modification accounting. Under this guidance an entity should account for the effects of a modification unless all the following are met: 1) The fair value of the modified award is the same as the fair value of the original award immediately before the original award is modified. If the modification does not affect any of the inputs to the valuation technique that the entity uses to value the award, the entity is not required to estimate the value immediately before and after the modification; 2) The vesting conditions of the modified award are the same as the vesting conditions of the original award immediately before the original award is modified; and 3) The classification of the modified award as an equity instrument or a liability instrument is the same as the classification of the original award immediately before the original award is modified. The Company adopted this standard effective January 1, 2018, and will apply this guidance to modifications of stock-based compensation arrangements, if any, after this date. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

#### Note 3 - Revenues

The Company adopted the new revenue standard effective January 1, 2018 using the full retrospective method to restate each prior reporting period presented.

#### Impacts to previously reported results

The following table presents the effect of the adoption of ASC 606 on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet (unaudited):

	December 31, 2017					
	As Reported Adjustments			As Adjusted		
			(in t	housands)		
Accounts receivable, net	\$	61,589	\$	329	\$	61,918
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	19,785	\$	(5,829)	\$	13,956
Total current assets	\$	193,954	\$	(5,500)	\$	188,454
Other assets	\$	1,391	\$	25,429	\$	26,820
Total assets	\$	440,884	\$	19,929	\$	460,813
Deferred revenue	\$	106,903	\$	(2,719)	\$	104,184
Total current liabilities	\$	137,039	\$	(2,719)	\$	134,320
Deferred tax liabilities, net	\$	1,328	\$	415	\$	1,743
Deferred revenue, noncurrent	\$	912	\$	(444)	\$	468
Total liabilities	\$	146,256	\$	(2,748)	\$	143,508
Accumulated deficit	\$	(125,467)	\$	22,677	\$	(102,790)
Total stockholders' equity	\$	294,628	\$	22,677	\$	317,305
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	440,884	\$	19,929	\$	460,813

The following table presents the effect of the adoption of ASC 606 on the Company's condensed consolidated statement of operations (unaudited):

	Quarter Ended March 31, 2017						
	As Reported Adjustments			ustments	As	Adjusted	
		(in thousa	ands, except per share data)				
Revenues							
Subscription and support	\$	37,051	\$	(493)	\$	36,558	
Professional services		1,583		40		1,623	
Total revenues	\$	38,634	\$	(453)	\$	38,181	
Cost of revenues							
Subscription and support	\$	7,777	\$	(22)	\$	7,755	
Total cost of revenues	\$	9,232	\$	(22)	\$	9,210	
Gross profit	\$	29,402	\$	(431)	\$	28,971	
Operating expenses							
Sales and marketing	\$	23,496	\$	(1,676)	\$	21,820	
Loss from operations	\$	(8,295)	\$	1,245	\$	(7,050)	
Loss before income taxes	\$	(9,075)	\$	1,245	\$	(7,830)	
Benefit from income taxes	\$	(65)	\$	(80)	\$	(145)	
Net loss	\$	(9,010)	\$	1,325	\$	(7,685)	
Basic net loss per share	\$	(0.18)	\$	0.03	\$	(0.15)	
Diluted net loss per share	\$	(0.18)	\$	0.03	\$	(0.15)	

The following table presents the effect of the adoption of ASC 606 on the Company's condensed consolidated statement of cash flows (unaudited):

	Quarter Ended March 31, 2017						
	As	As Reported		ustments	As	Adjusted	
			(in t	housands)			
Net loss	\$	(9,010)	\$	1,325	\$	(7,685)	
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:							
Deferred income taxes	\$	(162)	\$	(73)	\$	(235)	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	(1,029)	\$	(248)	\$	(1,277)	
Other assets	\$	(22)	\$	(1,412)	\$	(1,434)	
Deferred revenue	\$	8,014	\$	408	\$	8,422	

There was no effect to net cash provided by (used in) operating, investing, or financing activities.

### Disaggregation of Revenues

The Company disaggregates its revenue from contracts with customers by geographic location and market, as it believes it best depicts how the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of its revenues and cash flows are affected by economic factors.

The following table sets forth the Company's revenues by geographic region (in thousands):

	 Quarter Ended March 31,					
	 2018		2017			
		*A:	s Adjusted			
United States	\$ 41,012	\$	31,215			
International	10,272		6,966			
	\$ 51,284	\$	38,181			

The following table sets forth the Company's revenues by market (in thousands):

	 Quarter Ended March 31,				
	 2018		2017		
		*A:	s Adjusted		
Enterprise	\$ 42,511	\$	32,038		
Mid-market	8,773		6,143		
	\$ 51,284	\$	38,181		

#### Note 4 - Balance Sheet Components

#### Investments in Marketable Securities

Investments in marketable securities presented within current assets on the consolidated balance sheet consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2018							
	А	mortized Cost	U	Gross nrealized Gains	Un	Gross realized .osses		Fair Value
				(in thou	ısands	)		
Marketable securities								
U.S. treasury securities	\$	21,770	\$	_	\$	(36)	\$	21,734
Corporate bonds		33,113		_		(97)		33,016
Commercial paper		28,418		_		<u> </u>		28,418
	\$	83,301	\$	_	\$	(133)	\$	83,168

	December 31, 2017							
	A	mortized Cost	ι	Gross Jnrealized Gains	Un	Gross realized .osses		Fair Value
				(in thou	usands	)		
Marketable securities								
U.S. treasury securities	\$	21,454	\$	_	\$	(19)	\$	21,435
Corporate bonds		32,437		_		(43)		32,394
Commercial paper		25,048		_		_		25,048
Asset-backed securities		2,600		_		(1)		2,599
	\$	81,539	\$	_	\$	(63)	\$	81,476

During the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, there were no sales of marketable securities and, accordingly, there were no realized gains or losses recognized in the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations. Net gains and losses related to maturities of marketable securities that were reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss to earnings in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations were not material for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017.

The Company's marketable securities have a contractual maturity of less than two years. The amortized cost and fair values of marketable securities, by remaining contractual maturity, were as follows:

	 March 31, 2018				
	Amortized Cost	ı	air Value		
	(in the	ousands)			
Maturing within 1 year	\$ 62,962	\$	62,892		
Maturing between 1 year and 2 years	20,339		20,276		
	\$ 83,301	\$	83,168		

# Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets

Prepaid expenses and other current assets consisted of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2018	De	ecember 31, 2017
Partner referral fees	\$ 7,873	\$	7,945
Restricted cash	200		400
Other prepaid expenses and other current assets	7,552		5,611
	\$ 15,625	\$	13,956

#### Other Assets

Other assets consisted of the following (in thousands):

	 March 31, 2018	De	ecember 31, 2017
Deferred customer contract acquisition costs	\$ 26,378	\$	25,338
Restricted cash	274		_
Other assets	1,727		1,482
	\$ 28,379	\$	26,820

# Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities were comprised of the following (in thousands):

	М	arch 31, 2018	D	ecember 31, 2017
Accrued salaries and employee benefits	\$	7,494	\$	11,945
Partner referral fees		_		2,991
Accrued income and other taxes payable		1,468		1,798
Accrued professional services costs		575		407
Short-term portion of capital lease		_		443
Short-term tenant improvement allowance		475		475
Other accrued expenses and current liabilities		2,228		2,815
	\$	12,240	\$	20,874

#### Note 5 - Fair Value Measurements

The following table summarizes the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis by level, within the fair value hierarchy. Financial assets and financial liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement (in thousands):

	March 31, 2018							
		Level 1		Level 2	L	evel 3		Total
Cash equivalents								
Money market funds	\$	22,664	\$	_	\$	_	\$	22,664
Marketable securities								
U.S. treasury securities		21,734		_		_		21,734
Corporate bonds		_		33,016		_		33,016
Commercial paper		_		28,418		_		28,418
Total assets	\$	44,398	\$	61,434	\$		\$	105,832
Liabilities								
Contingent consideration	\$	_	\$	_	\$	5,978	\$	5,978
Total liabilities	\$	_	\$		\$	5,978	\$	5,978

	December 31, 2017							
		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
Cash equivalents								
Money market funds	\$	21,247	\$	_	\$	_	\$	21,247
Marketable securities								
U.S. treasury securities		21,435		_		_		21,435
Corporate bonds		_		32,394		_		32,394
Commercial paper		_		25,048		_		25,048
Asset-backed securities		_		2,599		_		2,599
Total assets	\$	42,682	\$	60,041	\$	_	\$	102,723
Liabilities								
Contingent consideration	\$	_	\$	_	\$	5,866	\$	5,866
Total liabilities	\$		\$	_	\$	5,866	\$	5,866

The following table summarizes the changes in the common stock warrant liability (in thousands):

	Quarter End	led March 31, 2017
Beginning fair value	\$	11,380
Change in fair value		1,000
Ending fair value	\$	12,380

In May 2017, warrants to purchase 499,999 shares of common stock were net exercised resulting in the issuance of 428,033 shares of common stock and, accordingly, there will be no further changes in the fair value.

The following table summarizes the changes in the contingent consideration liability (in thousands):

	 Quarter Ended March 31,					
	2018		2017			
Beginning fair value	\$ 5,866	\$	5,238			
Change in fair value	112		93			
Ending fair value	\$ 5,978	\$	5,331			

### Note 6 - Commitments and Contingencies

*Operating leases*—The Company has various non-cancelable operating leases for its corporate and international offices. These leases expire at various times through 2024. Certain lease agreements contain renewal options, rent abatement, and escalation clauses. The Company recognizes rent expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term,

commencing when the Company takes possession of the property. Certain of the Company's office leases entitle the Company to receive a tenant allowance from the landlord. The Company records tenant allowances as a deferred rent credit, which the Company amortizes on a straight-line basis, as a reduction of rent expense, over the term of the underlying lease.

Contingent consideration—On September 3, 2013, BlackLine Systems, Inc. was acquired by BlackLine, Inc. (the "2013 Acquisition"). In conjunction with the 2013 Acquisition, option holders of BlackLine Systems, Inc. were allowed to cancel their stock option rights and receive a cash payment equal to the amount of calculated gain (less applicable expense and other items) had they exercised their stock options and then sold their common shares as part of the 2013 Acquisition. As a condition of the 2013 Acquisition, the Company is required to pay additional cash consideration to certain equity holders if the Company realizes a tax benefit from the use of net operating losses generated from the stock option exercises concurrent with the 2013 Acquisition. The maximum contingent cash consideration to be distributed is \$8.0 million. The fair value of the contingent consideration was \$6.0 million and \$5.9 million at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively.

*Litigation*—From time to time, the Company may become subject to legal proceedings, claims and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. The Company is not currently a party to any legal proceedings, nor is it aware of any pending or threatened litigation, that would have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, operating results, cash flows, or financial condition should such litigation be resolved unfavorably.

Indemnification—In the ordinary course of business, the Company may provide indemnification of varying scope and terms to customers, vendors, investors, directors, and officers with respect to certain matters, including, but not limited to, losses arising out of its breach of such agreements, services to be provided by the Company, or from intellectual property infringement claims made by third parties. These indemnification provisions may survive termination of the underlying agreement and the maximum potential amount of future payments the Company could be required to make under these indemnification provisions may not be subject to maximum loss clauses. The maximum potential amount of future payments the Company could be required to make under these indemnification provisions is indeterminable. The Company has never paid a material claim, nor has it been sued in connection with these indemnification arrangements. At March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Company has not accrued a liability for these indemnification arrangements because the likelihood of incurring a payment obligation, if any, in connection with these indemnification arrangements is not probable or reasonably estimable.

#### Note 7 - Equity Awards

#### Stock-based compensation expense

Stock-based compensation expense recorded in the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations was as follows (in thousands):

	 Quarter Ended March 31,				
	2018		2017		
Cost of revenues	\$ 838	\$	250		
Sales and marketing	1,437		660		
Research and development	429		83		
General and administrative	1,270		856		
	\$ 3,974	\$	1,849		

Stock-based compensation capitalized as an asset was \$0.1 million and \$30,000 in the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

#### Restricted stock units

The following table summarizes activity for restricted stock units (in thousands):

Nonvested at December 31, 2017	2
Granted	963
Forfeited/canceled	(5)
Nonvested at March 31, 2018	960

#### Stock options

The following table summarizes activity for awards that contain service-only vesting conditions (in thousands):

Outstanding at December 31, 2017	5,019
Granted	551
Exercised	(462)
Forfeited/canceled	(91)
Outstanding at March 31, 2018	5,017

#### Note 8 - Income Taxes

In determining quarterly provisions for income taxes, the Company uses the annual estimated effective tax rate applied to the actual year-to-date loss, adjusted for discrete items arising in that quarter. The Company's annual estimated effective tax rate differs from the U.S. federal statutory rate of 21% primarily as a result of state taxes, foreign taxes, and changes in the Company's valuation allowance for domestic income taxes. For the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, the Company recorded \$20,000 and \$0.1 million in income tax benefit, respectively. The income tax benefits in both periods were a result of the deferred tax liabilities recorded for the acquired intangibles of the Runbook Acquisition exceeding deferred tax assets related to net operating loss.

#### Note 9 - Net Loss per Share

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net loss per share (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Quarter Ended March 31,				
		2018		2017	
Numerator:					
Net loss	\$	(7,15 <u>5</u> )	\$	(7,685)	
Denominator:					
Weighted average shares		53,151		51,282	
Add: Dilutive effect of securities		_		_	
Shares used to calculate diluted net loss per share		53,151		51,282	
Basic net loss per share	\$	(0.13)	\$	(0.15)	
Diluted net loss per share	\$	(0.13)	\$	(0.15)	

The following potentially dilutive shares were excluded from the calculation of diluted net loss per share attributable to common stockholders because they were anti-dilutive (in thousands):

	March 31,		
	2018	2017	
Stock options with service-only vesting conditions	5,017	5,870	
Stock options with performance conditions	683	683	
Common stock warrants	<del></del>	500	
Restricted stock units	960	_	
Total shares excluded from net loss per share	6,660	7,053	

#### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

You should read the following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations together with the financial statements and related notes that are included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 8, 2018 ("Annual Report on Form 10-K"). This discussion contains forward-looking statements based upon current plans, expectations and beliefs that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including, but not limited to, those discussed in the section entitled "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### Overview

We have created a comprehensive cloud-based software platform designed to transform and modernize accounting and finance operations for organizations of all types and sizes. Our secure, scalable platform supports critical accounting processes such as the financial close, account reconciliations, intercompany accounting, and controls assurance. By introducing software to automate these processes and to enable them to function continuously, we empower our customers to improve the integrity of their financial reporting, increase efficiency in their accounting and finance processes and enhance real-time visibility into their operations.

At March 31, 2018, we had over 2,200 customers and more than 200,000 users across approximately 150 countries exclusive of onpremise software. Additionally, we continue to build strategic relationships with technology vendors, professional services firms, business process outsourcers, and resellers.

We are a holding company and conduct our operations through our wholly-owned subsidiary, BlackLine Systems, Inc. ("BlackLine Systems"). BlackLine Systems funded its business with investments from our founder and cash flows from operations until September 3, 2013. On September 3, 2013, we acquired BlackLine Systems, and Silver Lake Sumeru and Iconiq acquired a controlling interest in us, which we refer to as the "2013 Acquisition." The 2013 Acquisition was accounted for as a business combination under GAAP and resulted in a change in accounting basis as of the date of the 2013 Acquisition.

Our platform consists of eight core cloud-based products, including Transaction Matching, Account Reconciliations, Consolidation Integrity Manager, Daily Reconciliations, Journal Entry, Variance Analysis, Task Management and Insights. Customers typically purchase these products in packages that we refer to as solutions, but they have the option to purchase these products individually. Current solutions include Balance Sheet Integrity, Close Process Management, Accounting Process Automation, Finance Transformation, Intercompany Hub and Smart Close.

We sell our solutions primarily through our direct sales force, which leverages our relationships with technology vendors, professional services firms and business process outsourcers. In particular, we have a strategic relationship with SAP. Our solution is an SAP endorsed business solution that integrates with SAP's ERP solutions. Under our agreement with SAP, which we entered into in 2013, we pay SAP a fee based on a percentage of revenues from our new customers that use an SAP ERP solution. We continue to pay SAP a fee for these customers over the term of their subscription agreements. For the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, revenues from our customers that use an SAP ERP solution accounted for \$11.5 million, or 22% and \$6.8 million, or 18%, respectively, of our total revenues.

We target our sales and marketing efforts at both enterprise and mid-market businesses. We define the enterprise market as companies with greater than \$500 million in annual revenue, and we define mid-market as companies with between \$50 and \$500 million in annual revenue. For the quarter ended March 31, 2018, sales to enterprise and mid-market customers represented 83% and 17% of our revenues, respectively. For the quarter ended March 31, 2017, sales to enterprise and mid-market customers represented 84% and 16% of our revenues, respectively. Additionally, we target our efforts at both new customers and existing customers. Existing customers may renew their subscriptions and broaden the deployment of our platform across their organizations by increasing the number of users accessing our platform or by adding additional products.

The length of our sales cycle depends on the size of the potential customer and contract, as well as the type of solution or product being purchased. The sales cycle for our global enterprise customers is generally longer than that of our mid-market customers. In addition, the length of the sales cycle tends to increase for larger contracts and for more complex, strategic products like Intercompany Hub. As we continue to focus on increasing our average contract size and selling more strategic products, we expect our sales cycle to lengthen and become less predictable, which could cause variability in our results for any particular period.

We have historically signed a higher percentage of agreements with new customers, as well as renewal agreements with existing customers, in the fourth quarter of each year and usually during the last month of the quarter. This can be attributed to buying patterns typical in the software industry. As the terms of most of our customer agreements are measured in full year increments, agreements initially entered into the fourth quarter or last month of any quarter will generally come up for renewal at that same time in subsequent years. This seasonality is reflected in our revenues, though the impact to overall annual or quarterly revenues is minimal due to the fact that we recognize subscription revenue ratably over the term of the customer contract.

For the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, we had revenues of \$51.3 million and \$38.2 million, respectively, and we incurred net losses of \$7.2 million and \$7.7 million, respectively.

We adopted ASC 606 in the first quarter of 2018 using the full retrospective method, which resulted in the restatement of our consolidated financial statements for the first quarter of 2017 presented in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. The adoption of this new standard impacted how we accounted for revenue recognition and contract costs. See "Note 2 – Basis of presentation and summary of significant accounting policies" contained in the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" in Item 1 of Part 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for additional information.

#### **Key Metrics**

We regularly review a number of metrics, including the following key metrics, to evaluate our business, measure our performance, identify trends affecting our business, formulate financial projections, and make strategic decisions. Each of the metrics below exclude the impact of on-premise software.

	Mar 31, 2017	Jun 30, 2017	Sep 30, 2017	Dec 31, 2017	Mar 31, 2018
Dollar-based net revenue retention rate	117%	114%	113%	112%	110%
Number of customers	1,850	1,978	2,091	2,208	2,297
Number of users	171,423	178,604	186,461	196,612	202,098

Dollar-based net revenue retention rate. We believe that dollar-based net revenue retention rate is an important metric to measure the long-term value of customer agreements and our ability to retain and grow our relationships with existing customers over time. We calculate dollar-based net revenue retention rate as the implied monthly subscription and support revenue at the end of a period for the base set of customers from which we generated subscription revenue in the year prior to the calculation, divided by the implied monthly subscription and support revenue one year prior to the date of calculation for that same customer base. This calculation does not reflect implied monthly subscription and support revenue for new customers added during the one-year period but does include the effect of customers who terminated during the period. We define implied monthly subscription and support revenue as the total amount of minimum subscription and support revenue contractually committed to, under each of our customer agreements over the entire term of the agreement, divided by the number of months in the term of the agreement. At March 31, 2018, our dollar-based net revenue retention rate declined primarily due to lower net growth in our existing customer accounts as we continue to focus on selling larger initial contract sizes. Our ability to maximize the lifetime value of our customer relationships will depend, in part, on the willingness of the customer to purchase additional user licenses and products from us. We rely on our sales and customer success teams to support and grow our existing customers by maintaining high customer satisfaction and educating the customer on the value all our products provide.

**Number of customers.** We believe that our ability to expand our customer base is an indicator of our market penetration and the growth of our business. We define a customer as an entity with an active subscription agreement as of the measurement date. In situations where an organization has multiple subsidiaries or divisions, each entity that is invoiced as a separate entity is treated as a separate customer. However, where an existing customer requests its invoice be divided for the sole purpose of restructuring its internal billing arrangement without any incremental increase in revenue, such customer continues to be treated as a single customer. For the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, no single customer accounted for more than 10% of our total revenues.

**Number of users.** Since our customers generally pay fees based on the number of users of our platform within their organization, we believe the total number of users is an indicator of the growth of our business. We are also beginning to sell an increasing number of non-user based strategic products.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

In addition to our results determined in accordance with GAAP, we believe the non-GAAP measures below are useful to us and our investors in evaluating our business. These non-GAAP financial measures are useful because they provide consistency and comparability with our past performance, facilitate period-to-period comparisons of operations and facilitate comparisons with other peer companies, many of which use similar non-GAAP financial measures to supplement their GAAP results.

		Quarter Ended March 31,			
		2018		2017	
				*As Adjusted	
		(in thousands, exc	ept perce	ntages)	
GAAP gross profit	\$	39,678	\$	28,971	
GAAP gross margin		77.4%		75.9%	
GAAP net loss	\$	(7,155)	\$	(7,685)	
	Quarter Ended March 31,				
		2018		2017	
				*As Adjusted	
		(in thousands, except percentages)			
Non-GAAP gross profit	\$	42,231	\$	30,925	
Non-GAAP gross margin		82.3%		81.0%	
Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$	306	\$	(1,648)	

Non-GAAP Gross Profit and Non-GAAP Gross Margin. Non-GAAP gross profit is defined as GAAP revenues less GAAP cost of revenue adjusted for the impact of amortization of acquired developed technology resulting from the 2013 Acquisition and the Runbook Acquisition, and stock-based compensation expense. Non-GAAP gross margin is defined as non-GAAP gross profit divided by GAAP revenues. We believe that presenting non-GAAP gross margin is useful to investors as it eliminates the impact of certain non-cash expenses and allows a direct comparison of gross margin between periods.

Non-GAAP Net Loss. Non-GAAP net loss is defined as GAAP net loss adjusted for the impact of the provision for (benefit from) income taxes that we were able to recognize as a result of the deferred tax liabilities associated with the intangible assets established upon the 2013 Acquisition, amortization of acquired intangible assets resulting from the 2013 Acquisition, stock-based compensation expense, the change in the fair value of contingent consideration, the change in fair value of the common stock warrant liability, and costs incurred relating to our shelf offering. We believe that presenting non-GAAP net loss is useful to investors as it eliminates the impact of items that have been impacted by the 2013 Acquisition, purchase accounting and other expenses in order to allow a direct comparison of net loss between current and future periods.

#### Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

The following table presents a reconciliation of gross profit, gross margin and net loss, the most comparable GAAP measures, to non-GAAP gross profit, non-GAAP gross margin and non-GAAP net income (loss):

	Quarter Ended March 31,				
	2	2017			
		(in thousands, exce		djusted s)	
Non-GAAP Gross Profit:					
Gross profit	\$	39,678	\$	28,971	
Amortization of developed technology		1,715		1,704	
Stock-based compensation expense		838		250	
Total Non-GAAP gross profit	\$	42,231	\$	30,925	
Gross margin	<u> </u>	77.4%		75.9%	
Non-GAAP gross margin		82.3%		81.0%	
Non-GAAP Net Income (Loss):					
Net loss	\$	(7,155)	\$	(7,685)	
Benefit from income taxes		(125)		(235)	
Amortization of intangibles		3,323		3,330	
Stock-based compensation expense		3,974		1,849	
Change in fair value of contingent consideration		112		93	
Change in fair value of the common stock					
warrant liability		_		1,000	
Shelf offering costs		177		<u> </u>	
Total Non-GAAP net income (loss)	\$	306	\$	(1,648)	

#### **Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth our statements of operations for each of the periods indicated:

	Quarter Ended March 31,				
		2018		2017	
				*As Adjusted	
		(in tho	ısands)		
Revenues					
Subscription and support	\$	48,625	\$	36,558	
Professional services		2,659		1,623	
Total revenues		51,284		38,181	
Cost of revenues					
Subscription and support		9,381		7,755	
Professional services		2,225		1,455	
Total cost of revenues		11,606		9,210	
Gross profit		39,678		28,971	
Operating expenses					
Sales and marketing		29,227		21,820	
Research and development		6,929		5,948	
General and administrative		11,082		8,253	
Total operating expenses		47,238		36,021	
Loss from operations		(7,560)		(7,050)	
Other income (expense)					
Interest income		389		224	
Interest expense		(4)		(4)	
Change in fair value of the common stock warrant liability		_		(1,000)	
Other income (expense), net		385		(780)	
Loss before income taxes		(7,175)		(7,830)	
Benefit from income taxes		(20)		(145)	
Net loss	\$	(7,155)	\$	(7,685)	

### Quarter Ended March 31, 2018 compared to Quarter Ended March 31, 2017

#### Revenues

	Quarter Ended March 31,			Change			
	2018		-	2017		\$	%
	*As Adjusted						
			(in the	ousands, except per	centages)		
Subscription and support	\$	48,625	\$	36,558	\$	12,067	33%
Professional services		2,659		1,623		1,036	64%
Total revenues	\$	51,284	\$	38,181	\$	13,103	34%

	2018	2017
Dollar-based net revenue retention rate*	110%	117%
Number of customers*	2,297	1,850
Number of users*	202,098	171,423

<sup>\*</sup> Exclusive of on-premise software

The increase in revenues for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2017, was primarily due to an increase in the number of customers, an increase in the number of users added by existing customers and an increase in the number of products purchased by existing customers in the period. The total number of customers and users increased by 24% and 18%, respectively, during the quarter ended March 31, 2018.

#### Cost of revenues

		Quarter Ended March 31,				Change		
	2018		2017		<b>\$</b>		%	
			*As Adjusted (in thousands, except percenta					
Subscription and support	\$	9,381	\$	7,755	\$	1,626	21%	
Professional services		2,225		1,455		770	53%	
Total cost of revenues	\$	11,606	\$	9,210	\$	2,396	26%	
Gross margin		77.4%		75.9%				

The increase in cost of revenues for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2017, was primarily due to a \$1.4 million increase in salaries, benefits and stock-based compensation; a \$0.3 million increase in amortization of developed technology; a \$0.2 million increase in depreciation and amortization; a \$0.2 million increase in overhead-related expenses; and a \$0.2 million increase in computer software expenses. Salaries, benefits and stock-based compensation increased primarily due to growth in headcount, which increased by 9% between March 31, 2017 and 2018. Amortization of our capitalized software development costs increased due to larger total capitalized costs as we expanded the functionality of our solutions.

#### Sales and marketing

	 Quarter Ended March 31,			Change		
	 2018		2017	\$		<u></u> %
		(in	*As Adjusted thousands, except perc	entages)		
Sales and marketing	\$ 29,227	\$	21,820	\$	7,407	34%
Percentage of total revenues	57.0%		57.1%			

The increase in sales and marketing expenses for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2017, was primarily due to a \$4.1 million increase in salaries, sales commissions and incentives; a \$1.3 million increase in partner referral fees; a \$0.8 million increase in stock-based compensation; a \$0.7 million increase in advertising and trade show expenses; a \$0.2 million increase in travel-related costs; and a \$0.2 million increase in overhead-related expenses. The increase in salaries, sales commissions and incentives was primarily driven by an increase in headcount and revenue growth. Our sales and marketing headcount increased by 20% between March 31, 2017 and 2018. The increases in partner referral fees was primarily driven by the expansion of our relationships with technology vendors, including SAP. The increase in advertising and trade shows was primarily due to an increase in our marketing efforts. Travel-related costs increased due to the expansion of our sales organization.

#### Research and development

	 Quarter Ende	ed March 31,		Change			
	 2018	20	017		\$	%	
		(in thousa	ands, except perc	entages)			
Research and development	\$ 6,929	\$	5,948	\$	981	16%	
Percentage of total revenues	13.5%		15.6%				

The increase in research and development expenses for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2017, was primarily due to a \$1.6 million increase in salaries and benefits, partially offset by a \$0.5 million decrease in capitalized software costs. Our research and development headcount increased by 23% between March 31, 2017 and 2018. The increase in capitalized software costs was primarily due to an increase in our headcount as well as higher capitalization rates, which resulted in increased amortization associated with capitalized software.

#### General and administrative

	 Quarter Ende	ed March 31,		Change			
	2018	201	L7		\$	%	
		(in thousar	nds, except perc	centages)			
General and administrative	\$ 11,082	\$	8,253	\$	2,829	34%	
Percentage of total revenues	21.6%		21.6%				

The increase in general and administrative expenses for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2017, was primarily due to a \$2.2 million increase in salaries, benefits and stock-based compensation; a \$0.6 million increase in professional services expense; and a \$0.3 million increase in overhead-related expenses. The increase in salaries, benefits and stock-based compensation was primarily driven by a 40% increase in our general and administrative headcount between March 31, 2017 and 2018. The increase in professional services expense comprised primarily of legal, accounting and consulting costs associated with being a public company and costs associated with the shelf offering that was completed in the quarter ended March 31, 2018. The increases in general and administrative expenses were partially offset by a \$0.3 million increase in foreign currency gains primarily related to foreign-denominated cash and the timing of accounts receivable settlements between quarters.

#### Interest income

	 Quarter End	ed March 31,		Change	nange		
	 2018	2017	,		\$	%	
		(in thousand	ds, except per	centages)			
Interest income	\$ 389	\$	224	\$	165	74%	

The increase in interest income during the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2017, was primarily due to a higher average balance of investments in marketable securities and, to a lesser extent, an increase in interest rates in the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2017.

#### Interest expense

		Quarter End	ed March 31,	Cha	Change		
	2018 2017				\$		%
			(in thousand	s, except percen	tages)		
Interest expense	\$	4	\$	4 \$	3	_	

Interest expense remained flat during the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2017.

#### Change in fair value of common stock warrant liability

		Quarter End	Chang	Change				
		2018		2017	\$	%		
Change in fair value of common stock warrant	(in thousands, except percentages)							
liability	\$	_	\$	(1,000)	\$ 1,0	00 (100%)		

In May 2017, warrants to purchase 499,999 shares of common stock were net exercised resulting in the issuance of 428,033 shares of common stock and, accordingly, there will be no further changes in the fair value.

#### Benefit from income taxes

	 Quarter Ende	 Change			
	 2018	 2017	 \$	<u>%</u>	
		s Adjusted usands, except perd			
Benefit from income taxes	\$ (20)	\$ (145)	\$ 125	(86%)	
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We are subject to federal and state income taxes in the United States and taxes in foreign jurisdictions. Our annual estimated effective tax rate differed from the U.S. federal statutory rate of 21% primarily as a result of state taxes, foreign taxes, and changes in our valuation allowance for domestic income taxes. For the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, we recorded \$20,000 and \$0.1 million in income tax benefits, respectively. The decrease in the income tax benefit for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2017, was related to a reduction in net operating losses in our foreign jurisdictions for the current period. For the quarter ended March 31, 2018, we maintained a full valuation allowance on our U.S. federal and state net deferred tax assets as it was more likely than not that those deferred tax assets will not be realized.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

At March 31, 2018, our principal sources of liquidity were \$114.0 million of cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities, which primarily consist of short-term, investment-grade commercial paper, corporate bonds, and U.S. treasury securities. We believe our existing cash and cash equivalents, investments in marketable securities and cash from operations will be sufficient to meet our working capital needs, capital expenditures and financing obligations for at least the next 12 months.

Our future capital requirements will depend on many factors, including our growth rate, the expansion of our direct sales force, strategic relationships and international operations, the timing and extent of spending to support research and development efforts and the continuing market acceptance of our solutions. We may require additional equity or debt financing. Sales of additional equity could result in dilution to our stockholders. If we raise funds by borrowing from third parties, the terms of those financing arrangements would require us to incur interest expense and may include negative covenants or other restrictions on our business that could impair our operating flexibility. We can provide no assurance that financing will be available at all or, if available, that we would be able to obtain financing on terms favorable to us. If we are unable to raise additional capital when needed, we would be required to curtail our operating activities and capital expenditures, and our business operating results and financial condition would be adversely affected.

#### Historical Cash Flows

The following table sets forth a summary of our cash flows for the periods indicated:

	Quarter Ended March 31,				
		2018	2017		
		(in thous	ands)		
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	1,822	\$	(1,705)	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$	(4,982)	\$	3,629	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$	2,994	\$	(594)	

#### Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Operating Activities

Our net loss and cash flows from operating activities are significantly influenced by our investments in headcount and infrastructure to support anticipated growth. In recent periods, our net loss has generally been significantly greater than our use of cash for operating activities due to our subscription-based revenue model in which billings occur in advance of revenue recognition, as well as the substantial amount of non-cash charges which we incur. Non-cash charges primarily include depreciation and amortization, stock-based compensation, and deferred taxes.

For the quarter ended March 31, 2018, cash provided by operations was \$1.8 million resulting from net non-cash expenses of \$9.1 million, largely offset by our net loss of \$7.2 million and net cash flow used as a result of changes in operating assets and liabilities of \$0.1 million. The \$0.1 million of net cash flows used as a result of changes in our operating assets and liabilities reflected a \$7.9 million decrease in accrued expenses and other current liabilities primarily associated with payments of the 2017 employee bonuses during the quarter, a \$1.9 million increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets, a \$1.3 million increase in other assets; and a \$0.9 million decrease in accounts payable. This change in our operating assets and liabilities was partially offset by a \$6.6 million increase in deferred revenue as a result of the growth of our customer and user base and a \$5.1 million decrease in accounts receivable due to increased collections.

For the quarter ended March 31, 2017, cash used in operations was \$1.7 million resulting from our net loss of \$7.7 million and net cash flow used as a result of changes in our operating assets and liabilities of \$1.6 million, partially offset by net non-cash expenses of \$7.6 million. The \$1.6 million of net cash flows used as a result of changes in our operating assets and liabilities reflected a \$3.3 million decrease in accounts payable, a \$2.5 million decrease in accrued expenses primarily associated with payments of 2016 employee bonuses during the quarter; a \$1.6 million increase in accounts receivable due to the growth of our customer and user base; a \$1.4 million increase in other assets, and a \$1.3 million increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets. This change in our operating assets and liabilities was partially offset by an \$8.4 million increase in deferred revenue as a result of the growth of our customer and user base, which are billed in advance of our revenue recognition.

#### Net Cash (Used In) Provided By Investing Activities

Our investing activities consist primarily of investments in and maturities of marketable securities, capital expenditures for property and equipment and capitalized software development costs.

For the quarter ended March 31, 2018, cash used in investing activities was \$5.0 million as a result of \$1.7 million of purchases of marketable securities, net of proceeds from maturities, \$1.7 million in payments related to capitalized software development activities, and \$1.6 million in purchases of property and equipment.

For the quarter ended March 31, 2017, cash provided by investing activities was \$3.6 million as a result of \$5.2 million in maturities of marketable securities, partially offset by \$1.1 million in payments related to capitalized software development activities and \$0.5 million in purchases of property and equipment.

#### Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Financing Activities

For the quarter ended March 31, 2018, cash provided by financing activities was \$3.0 million primarily as a result of \$3.5 million of proceeds from the exercises of stock options, partially offset by \$0.4 million of principal payments on capital lease obligations.

For the quarter ended March 31, 2017, cash used in financing activities was \$0.6 million primarily as a result of \$0.5 million of principal payments on capital lease obligations.

#### **Contractual Obligations and Commitments**

The following table summarizes our contractual obligations at March 31, 2018:

			Payments Due by Period							
	Total		Less	than 1 Year	1-3 Years		3-5 Years		More than 5 Years	
Operating lease obligations (1)	\$	21,062	\$	5,388	\$	8,162	\$	5,149	\$	2,363
Purchase obligations		2,675		1,815		860		_		_
	\$	23,737	\$	7,203	\$	9,022	\$	5,149	\$	2,363

(1) Operating leases include total future minimum rent payments under non-cancelable operating lease agreements.

We are required to pay up to a maximum of \$8 million of contingent consideration relating to our 2013 Acquisition if we realize a tax benefit from the use of net operating losses generated from the stock option exercises concurrent with the 2013 Acquisition. We have not included this obligation in the table above because there is a high degree of uncertainty regarding the amount and timing of future cash flows to extinguish this liability. The settlement of this liability depends on our ability to generate taxable income in the future to realize this tax benefit.

At March 31, 2018, liabilities for unrecognized tax benefits of \$0.8 million were not included in the table above because, due to their nature, there was a high degree of uncertainty regarding the timing of future cash outflows and other events that extinguish these liabilities.

#### Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As part of our ongoing business, we do not have any relationships with other entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or special purpose entities that have been established for the purpose of

facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. We are therefore not exposed to any financing, liquidity, market or credit risk that could arise if we had engaged in those types of relationships.

In the ordinary course of business, we may provide indemnification of varying scope and terms to customers, vendors, investors, directors and officers with respect to certain matters, including, but not limited to, losses arising out of our breach of such agreements, services to be provided by us, or from intellectual property infringement claims made by third parties. These indemnification provisions may survive termination of the underlying agreement and the maximum potential amount of future payments we could be required to make under these indemnification provisions may not be subject to maximum loss clauses. The maximum potential amount of future payments we could be required to make under these indemnification provisions is indeterminable. We have never paid a material claim, nor have we been sued in connection with these indemnification arrangements. At March 31, 2018, we have not accrued a liability for these indemnification arrangements because the likelihood of incurring a payment obligation, if any, in connection with these indemnification arrangements is not probable or reasonably estimable.

#### Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"), which require us to make estimates and assumptions about future events that affect the amounts reported in our unaudited consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Our critical accounting policies and estimates are detailed in Item 7 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017. On January 1, 2018, we adopted Accounting Standards Codification No. 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("ASC 606") on a full retrospective basis and have revised our accounting policies as it related to revenue recognition and contract costs as a result of the adoption.

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognized upon transfer of control of promised products or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration we expect to receive in exchange for those products or services. We enter into contracts that can include various combinations of subscription and support and professional services, which are generally capable of being distinct and accounted for as separate performance obligations. Our agreements do not contain any refund provisions other than in the event of our non-performance or breach.

We determine revenue recognition through the following steps:

- Identification of the contract, or contracts, with a customer
- Identification of the performance obligations in the contract
- Determination of the transaction price
- Allocation of the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract
- Recognition of revenue when, or as, we satisfy a performance obligation

**Subscription and support revenue** – Customers pay subscription and support fees for access to our SaaS platform generally for a one-year period. In more limited cases, customers may pay for up to three years in advance. Fees are based on a number of factors, including the solutions subscribed for by the customer and the number of users having access to the solutions. Subscription services, which allow customers to use hosted software over the contract period without taking possession of the software, are considered distinct performance obligations and are recognized ratably as we transfer control evenly over the contract period.

Subscription and support revenue also includes software and related maintenance and support fees on legacy BlackLine solutions and Runbook Company B.V. ("Runbook") software. Software licenses for legacy BlackLine solutions and Runbook software provide the customer with a right to use the software as it exists when made available to the customer. Customers may have purchased perpetual licenses or term based licenses, which provide customers with the same functionality and differ mainly in the duration over which the customer benefits from the software.

Software licenses are bundled with software maintenance and support, and the transaction price of the contract is allocated between the software licenses and the software maintenance and support. Maintenance and support convey rights to new software and upgrades released over the contract period and provide support, tools, and training to help customers deploy and use products more efficiently. Software licenses are considered distinct performance obligations and revenue is recognized at a point in time when control of the license has transferred and the license period

commences. Maintenance and support are distinct performance obligations that are satisfied over time, and revenue is recognized ratably over the contract period as customers simultaneously consume and receive benefits.

**Professional services revenue** – Professional services consist of implementation and consulting services to assist our customers as they deploy our solutions. These services are considered distinct performance obligations. Professional services do not result in significant customization of the subscription service. We apply the practical expedient to recognize professional services revenue when we have the right to invoice based on time and materials incurred.

Significant judgments – Our contracts with customers often include promises to transfer multiple products and services. Determining whether products and services are considered distinct performance obligations that should be accounted for separately versus together may require significant judgment. Judgment is also required to determine the stand alone selling price ("SSP") for each distinct performance obligation. We typically have more than one standalone selling price for its SaaS solutions and professional services. Additionally, we have determined that there are no third-party offerings reasonably comparable to our solutions. Therefore, we determine the standalone selling prices of subscriptions to the SaaS solutions and professional services based on numerous factors including our overall pricing objectives, geography, customer size and number of users, and discounting practices. We use historical maintenance renewal fees to estimate SSP for maintenance and support fees bundled with software licenses. We use the residual method to estimate SSP of software licenses, because license pricing is highly variable and not sold separately from maintenance and support.

**Contract balances** – Timing of revenue recognition may differ from the timing of invoicing to customers. We record an unbilled receivable when revenue is recognized prior to invoicing, and deferred revenue when revenue is recognized subsequent to invoicing. We generally invoice customers annually at the beginning of each annual contract period. We record a receivable related to revenue recognized for multi-year agreements as we have an unconditional right to invoice and receive payment in the future related to those services.

Deferred revenue is comprised mainly of billings related to our SaaS solutions in advance of revenue being recognized. Deferred revenue also includes payments for: professional services to be performed in the future; legacy BlackLine maintenance and support; Runbook maintenance, support, license, and implementation; and other offerings for which we have been paid in advance and earns the revenue when we transfer control of the product or service.

Changes in deferred revenue for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017 were primarily due to additional billings in the quarters, partially offset by revenue recognized of \$43.7 million and \$32.3 million, respectively, that was previously included in the deferred revenue balance at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

The transaction price is generally determined by the stated fixed fees in the contract, excluding any related sales taxes. Transaction price allocated to remaining performance obligations represents contracted revenue that has not yet been recognized ("contracted not recognized"), which includes deferred revenue and amounts that will be invoiced and recognized as revenue in future periods. Contracted not recognized revenue was \$233.3 million at March 31, 2018, of which we expect to recognize approximately 63% over the next 12 months and the remainder thereafter.

Fees are generally due and payable upon receipt of invoice or within 30 days. None of our contracts include a significant financing component.

Assets recognized from the costs to obtain a contract with a customer – We recognize an asset for the incremental and recoverable costs of obtaining a contract with a customer if we expect the benefit of those costs to be one year or longer. We have determined that certain sales incentive programs to our employees ("deferred customer contract acquisition costs") and our partners ("partner referral fees") meet the requirements to be capitalized. Deferred customer acquisition costs related to new revenue contracts and upsells are deferred and then amortized straight line over the expected period of benefit that we have determined to be five years, based upon both the product turnover rate and estimated customer life. Partner referral fees are deferred and then amortized on a straight-line basis over the related contractual period, as the fees for renewals are commensurate with fees incurred for the initial contract. Deferred customer acquisition costs and partner referral fees are included within other assets and prepaid expenses and other current assets, respectively, on the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

Amortization expense related to the asset recognized from the costs to obtain a contract with a customer is included in sales and marketing expenses in the condensed consolidated statements of operations and was \$5.3 million and \$3.3 million for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note 2 - "Basis of presentation and summary of significant accounting policies" contained in the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" in Item 1 of Part I of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for a full description of the recent accounting pronouncements and our expectation of their impact, if any, on our results of operations and financial condition.

#### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We have operations both within the United States and internationally, and we are exposed to market risks in the ordinary course of our business. These risks primarily include interest rate, foreign exchange and inflation risks, as well as risks relating to changes in the general economic conditions in the countries where we conduct business. To reduce these risks, we monitor the financial condition of our clients and limit credit exposure by collecting in advance and setting credit limits as we deem appropriate. In addition, our investment strategy has historically been to invest in financial instruments that are highly liquid and readily convertible into cash and that mature within three months from the date of purchase. To date, we have not used derivative instruments to mitigate the impact of our market risk exposures. We have also not used, nor do we intend to use, derivatives for trading or speculative purposes.

#### Interest Rate Risk

We are exposed to market risk related to changes in interest rates.

We had cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities of \$114.0 million at March 31, 2018. Our cash equivalents and marketable securities consist of highly liquid, investment-grade commercial paper, corporate bonds, U.S. treasury bonds, and asset-backed securities. The carrying amount of our cash equivalents and marketable securities reasonably approximates fair value due to the highly liquid nature of these instruments. The primary objectives of our investment activities are the preservation of capital, the fulfillment of liquidity needs and the fiduciary control of cash and investments. We do not enter into investments for trading or speculative purposes. Our investments are exposed to market risk due to fluctuations in interest rates, which may affect our interest income and the fair market value of our investments. Due to the short-term nature of our investment portfolio, however, we do not believe an immediate 10% increase or decrease in interest rates would have a material effect on the fair market value of our portfolio. We therefore do not expect our operating results or cash flows to be materially affected by a sudden change in market interest rates.

We do not believe our cash equivalents and marketable securities have significant risk of default or illiquidity. While we believe our cash equivalents and marketable securities do not contain excessive risk, we cannot provide absolute assurance that in the future our investments will not be subject to adverse changes in market value. In addition, we maintain significant amounts of cash and cash equivalents at one or more financial institutions that are in excess of federally insured limits. We cannot be assured that we will not experience losses on these deposits.

#### Foreign Currency Risk

We have foreign currency risks related to our revenue and operating expenses denominated in currencies other than the U.S. Dollar. Our historical revenues have primarily been denominated in U.S. Dollars, and a significant portion of our current revenues continue to be denominated in U.S. Dollars. However, we expect an increasing portion of our future revenues to be denominated in currencies other than the U.S. Dollar, primarily the Euro and British pound. The effect of an immediate 10% adverse change in foreign exchange rates on foreign-denominated accounts at March 31, 2018 would not be material to our financial condition or results of operations. Our operating expenses are generally denominated in the currencies of the countries in which our operations are located, primarily the United States and, to a much lesser extent, the United Kingdom, other European Union countries, Canada, Australia, and Singapore. Increases and decreases in our foreign-denominated revenue from movements in foreign exchange rates are partially offset by the corresponding decreases or increases in our foreign-denominated operating expenses.

As our international operations grow, our risks associated with fluctuation in currency rates will become greater, and we will continue to reassess our approach to managing this risk. In addition, currency fluctuations or a weakening U.S. Dollar can increase the costs of our international expansion. To date, we have not entered into any foreign currency hedging contracts, since exchange rate fluctuations have not had a material impact on our operating results and cash flows. Based on our current international structure, we do not plan on engaging in hedging activities in the near future.

#### **Inflation Risk**

We do not believe that inflation has had a material effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. Nonetheless, if our costs were to become subject to significant inflationary pressures, we may not be able to fully offset such higher costs through price increases. Our inability or failure to do so could harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

#### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") means controls and other procedures of a company that are designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by a company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms; and that such information is accumulated and communicated to the company's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our management, with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures at March 31, 2018, the last day of the period covered by this Quarterly Report. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that, at March 31, 2018, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

#### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Beginning January 1, 2018, we implemented Accounting Standards Codification No. 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*. As a result, we implemented changes to our processes related to revenue recognition, the control activities within them, and the key system functionalities to enable the preparation of financial information. This included the development of new policies based on the five-step model provided in the new revenue standard.

There were no other changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by Rules 13a-15(d) and 15d-15(d) under the Exchange Act that occurred during the quarter ended March 31, 2018 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### Limitations on the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

In designing and evaluating our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting, our management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance of achieving the desired control objectives. In addition, the design of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints and our management is required to apply judgment in evaluating the benefits of possible controls and procedures relative to their costs. The design of any disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting 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 potential future conditions.

#### PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we may be subject to legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. In addition, from time to time, third parties may assert intellectual property infringement claims against us in the form of letters and other forms of communication. As of the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, we are not a party to any litigation the outcome of which, if determined adversely to us, would individually or in the aggregate be reasonably expected to have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, prospects, cash flows, financial position or brand.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties described below, together with all of the other information in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, including "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes, before making a decision to invest in our common stock. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risk and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we presently deem less significant may also impair our business operations. If any of the events or circumstances described in the following risk factors actually occurs, our business, operating results, financial condition, cash flows and prospects could be materially and adversely affected. In that event, the market price of our common stock could decline, and you could lose part or all of your investment.

#### Risks Related to Our Business and Industry

If we are unable to attract new customers and expand sales to existing customers, our business growth could be slower than we expect and our business may be harmed.

Our future growth depends in part upon increasing our customer base. Our ability to achieve significant growth in revenues in the future will depend, in large part, upon the effectiveness of our sales and marketing efforts, both domestically and internationally. We may have difficulty attracting a potential client that has already invested substantial personnel and financial resources to integrate on-premise software into its business, as such organizations may be reluctant or unwilling to invest in a new product. If we fail to attract new customers or maintain and expand those customer relationships, our revenues will grow more slowly than expected and our business will be harmed.

Our future growth also depends upon our ability to add users and sell additional products to our existing customers. It is important for the future growth of our business that our existing customers make additional significant purchases of our products and add additional users to our platform. Our business also depends on retaining existing customers. If we do not retain customers, our customers do not purchase additional products or we do not add additional users to our platform, our revenues may grow more slowly than expected, may not grow at all or may decline. Additionally, increasing incremental sales to our current customer base may require additional sales efforts that are targeted at senior management. There can be no assurance that our efforts would result in increased sales to existing customers or additional revenues.

# Our business and growth depend substantially on customers renewing their subscription agreements with us and any decline in our customer renewals could adversely affect our future operating results.

Our initial subscription period for the majority of our customers is one to three years. In order for us to continue to increase our revenue, it is important that our existing customers renew their subscription agreements when the initial contract term expires. Although our agreements typically include automatic renewal language, our customers may cancel their agreements at the expiration of the initial term. In addition, our customers may renew for fewer users, renew for shorter contract lengths or renew for fewer products or solutions. Our customers' renewal rates may decline or fluctuate as a result of a variety of factors, including their satisfaction or dissatisfaction with our software or professional services, our pricing or pricing structure, the pricing or capabilities of products or services offered by our competitors, the effects of economic conditions or reductions in our customers' spending levels. As the markets for our existing solutions mature, or as current and future competitors introduce new products or services that compete with ours, we may experience pricing pressure and be unable to renew our agreements with existing customers or attract new customers at prices that are profitable to us. If this were to occur, it is possible that we would have to change our pricing model, offer price incentives or reduce our prices. If our customers do not renew their agreements with us or renew on terms less favorable to us, our revenues may decline.

#### We have a history of losses and we may not be able to generate sufficient revenue to achieve or sustain profitability.

We have incurred net losses in recent periods, including \$7.2 million and \$7.7 million for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. We had an accumulated deficit of \$109.9 million at March 31, 2018. We may not be able to generate sufficient revenue to achieve and sustain profitability. We also expect our costs to increase in future periods as we continue to expend substantial financial and other resources on:

• development of our cloud-based platform, including investments in research and development, product innovation to expand the features and functionality of our software solutions and improvements to the scalability and security of our platform;

- sales and marketing, including expansion of our direct sales force and our relationships with technology vendors, professional services firms, business process outsourcers and resellers;
- · additional international expansion in an effort to increase our customer base and sales; and
- general administration, including legal, accounting and other expenses related to being a public company.

These investments may not result in increased revenue or growth of our business or any growth in revenue and may not be sufficient to offset the expense and may harm our profitability. If we fail to continue to grow our revenue, we may not achieve or sustain profitability.

# We continue to experience rapid growth and organizational change and if we fail to manage our growth effectively, we may be unable to execute our business plan.

We increased our number of full-time employees from 183 at December 31, 2013 to 771 at March 31, 2018 as we have experienced growth in number of customers and expanded our operations. Our growth has placed, and may continue to place, a significant strain on our managerial, administrative, operational, financial and other resources. We intend to further expand our headcount and operations both domestically and internationally, with no assurance that our business or revenue will continue to grow. Continuing to create a global organization and managing a geographically dispersed workforce will require substantial management effort, the allocation of valuable management resources and significant additional investment in our infrastructure. We will be required to continually improve our operational, financial and management controls and our reporting procedures and we may not be able to do so effectively, which could negatively affect our results of operations and overall business. In addition, we may be unable to manage our expenses effectively in the future, which may negatively impact our gross margins or operating expenses in any particular quarter. Moreover, if we fail to manage our anticipated growth and change in a manner that preserves the key aspects of our corporate culture, the quality of our software solutions may suffer, which could negatively affect our brand and reputation and harm our ability to retain and attract customers.

# Our quarterly results may fluctuate, and if we fail to meet the expectations of analysts or investors, our stock price and the value of your investment could decline substantially.

Our quarterly financial results may fluctuate as a result of a variety of factors, many of which are outside of our control. If our quarterly financial results fall below the expectations of investors or any securities analysts who may follow our stock, the price of our common stock could decline substantially. Some of the important factors that may cause our revenue, operating results and cash flows to fluctuate from quarter to quarter include:

- our ability to attract new customers and retain and increase sales to existing customers;
- the number of new employees added;
- the rate of expansion and productivity of our sales force:
- long sales cycles and the timing of large contracts;
- changes in our or our competitors' pricing policies;
- the amount and timing of operating costs and capital expenditures related to the operations and expansion of our business;
- new products, features or functionalities introduced by us and our competitors;
- · significant security breaches, technical difficulties or interruptions to our platform;
- the timing of customer payments and payment defaults by customers;
- general economic conditions that may adversely affect either our customers' ability or willingness to purchase additional products or services, delay a prospective customer's purchasing decision or affect customer retention;
- changes in foreign currency exchange rates;
- the impact of new accounting pronouncements;
- the impact and timing of taxes or changes in tax law;
- the timing and the amount of grants or vesting of equity awards to employees;

- seasonality of our business; and
- changes in customer buying patterns.

Many of these factors are outside of our control, and the occurrence of one or more of them might cause our revenue, operating results, and cash flows to vary widely. As such, we believe that quarter-to-quarter comparisons of our revenue, operating results and cash flows may not be meaningful and should not be relied upon as an indication of future performance.

# If we are not able to provide successful enhancements, new features or modifications to our software solutions, our business could be adversely affected.

If we are unable to provide enhancements and new features for our existing solutions or new solutions that achieve market acceptance or that keep pace with rapid technological developments, our business could be adversely affected. The success of enhancements, new products and solutions depends on several factors, including timely completion, introduction and market acceptance. We must continue to meet changing expectations and requirements of our customers and, because our platform is designed to operate on a variety of systems, we will need to continuously modify and enhance our solutions to keep pace with changes in internet-related hardware and other software, communication, browser and database technologies. Our platform is also designed to integrate with existing enterprise resource planning ("ERP") systems such as NetSuite, Oracle, SAP and Workday, and will require modifications and enhancements as these systems change over time. Any failure of our solutions to operate effectively with future platforms and technologies could reduce the demand for our solutions or result in customer dissatisfaction. Furthermore, uncertainties about the timing and nature of new solutions or technologies, or modifications to existing solutions or technologies, could increase our research and development expenses. If we are not successful in developing modifications and enhancements to our solutions or if we fail to bring them to market in a timely fashion, our solutions may become less marketable, less competitive or obsolete, our revenue growth may be significantly impaired and our business could be adversely affected.

# We derive substantially all of our revenues from a limited number of software solutions, and our future growth is dependent on their success.

We currently derive and expect to continue to derive substantially all of our revenues from our Close Process Management solution. As such, the continued growth in market demand for this solution is critical to our continued success. In 2016, we introduced two new software solutions, Intercompany Hub and Smart Close, and one new software product, Insights, but cannot be certain that they will generate significant revenues. Accordingly, our business and financial results have been and will be substantially dependent on a limited number of solutions.

# If our relationships with technology vendors and business process outsourcers are not successful, our business and growth will be harmed.

We depend on, and anticipate that we will continue to depend on, various strategic relationships in order to sustain and grow our business. We have established strong relationships with technology vendors such as SAP and NetSuite to market our solutions to users of their ERP solutions, and professional services firms such as Deloitte, Ernst & Young, and KPMG, and business process outsourcers such as Cognizant, Genpact and IBM to supplement delivery and implementation of our applications. We believe these relationships enable us to effectively market our solutions by offering a complementary suite of services. In particular, we have a strategic relationship with SAP to market our solution to users of SAP's ERP solutions. Our solution is an SAP-endorsed business solution that integrates with SAP's ERP solutions. Under our agreement with SAP, which we entered into in 2013, we pay SAP a fee based on a percentage of revenues from our new customers that use an SAP ERP solution. We continue to pay SAP a fee for these customers over the term of their subscription agreements. Revenues from our customers that use an SAP ERP solution accounted for \$11.5 million, or 22%, of our total revenues and \$6.8 million, or 18%, of our total revenues for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. If we are unsuccessful in maintaining our relationship with SAP, or if we are unsuccessful in supporting or expanding our relationships with other companies, our business would be adversely affected.

Identifying, negotiating and documenting relationships with other companies require significant time and resources. Our agreements with technology vendors are typically limited in duration, non-exclusive, cancellable upon notice and do not prohibit the counterparties from working with our competitors or from offering competing services. For example, our agreement with SAP can be terminated by either party upon six months' notice and there is no assurance that our relationship with SAP will continue. If our solution is no longer an SAP-endorsed business solution, our business could be adversely affected. Our competitors may be effective in providing incentives to third parties to favor their products or services or to prevent or reduce subscriptions to our platform. If we are unsuccessful in establishing or maintaining our

relationships, our ability to compete in the marketplace or to grow our revenue could be impaired and our operating results could suffer. Even if we are successful, we cannot assure you that these relationships will result in improved operating results.

If our security controls are breached or unauthorized, or inadvertent access to customer, employee or other confidential data is otherwise obtained, our software solutions may be perceived as insecure, we may lose existing customers or fail to attract new customers, our business may be harmed and we may incur significant liabilities.

Use of our platform involves the storage, transmission and processing of our customers' proprietary data, including highly confidential financial information regarding their business and personal or identifying information regarding their customers or employees. Our platform is at risk for breaches as a result of third-party action, employee, vendor or contractor error, malfeasance or other factors. If any unauthorized or inadvertent access to or a security breach of our platform occurs, or is believed to occur, such an event could result in the loss of data, loss of business, severe reputational damage adversely affecting customer or investor confidence, regulatory investigations and orders, litigation, indemnity obligations, damages for contract breach or penalties for violation of applicable laws or regulations. We may also suffer breaches of our internal systems. Security breaches of our platform or our internal systems could also result in significant costs for remediation that may include liability for stolen assets or information and repair of system damage that may have been caused, incentives offered to customers or other business partners in an effort to maintain business relationships after a breach, and other liabilities.

Additionally, many jurisdictions have enacted or may enact laws and regulations requiring companies to notify individuals of data security breaches involving certain types of personal data. These mandatory disclosures regarding a security breach could result in negative publicity to us, which may cause our customers to lose confidence in the effectiveness of our data security measures which could impact our operating results.

We incur significant expenses to prevent security breaches, including deploying additional personnel and protection technologies, training employees, and engaging third-party experts and contractors. If a high profile security breach occurs with respect to another Software as a Service ("SaaS") provider or other technology companies, our clients and potential clients may lose trust in the security of our platform or in the SaaS business model generally, which could adversely impact our ability to retain existing clients or attract new ones. Even in the absence of any security breach, customer concerns about security, privacy, or data protection may deter them from using our platform for activities that involve personal or other sensitive information. Our errors and omissions insurance policies covering certain security and privacy damages and claim expenses may not be sufficient to compensate for all potential liability. Although we maintain cyber liability insurance, we cannot be certain that our coverage will be adequate for liabilities actually incurred or that insurance will continue to be available to us on economically reasonable terms, or at all.

Because the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access or to sabotage systems change frequently and generally are not identified until they are launched against a target, we may be unable to anticipate these techniques or to implement adequate preventative measures. We may also experience security breaches that may remain undetected for an extended period. From time to time, we experience cyber security events including directed "phishing" attacks against our employees, web attacks and other information technology incidents that are typical for a SaaS company of our size. These threats continue to evolve in sophistication and volume and are difficult to detect and predict due to advances in computer capabilities, new discoveries in the field of cryptography and new and sophisticated methods used by criminals including phishing, social engineering or other illicit acts. There can be no assurances that our defensive measures will prevent cyber-attacks and any incidents could damage our brand and reputation and negatively impact our business.

Because data security is a critical competitive factor in our industry, we make numerous statements in our privacy policy and customer agreements, through our certifications to privacy standards and in our marketing materials, providing assurances about the security of our platform including detailed descriptions of security measures we employ. Should any of these statements be untrue or become untrue, even through circumstances beyond our reasonable control, we may face claims of misrepresentation or deceptiveness by the U.S. Federal Trade Commission, state and foreign regulators and private litigants. Our errors and omissions insurance coverage covering security and privacy damages and claim expenses may not be sufficient to compensate for all liabilities.

Interruptions or performance problems associated with our software solutions, platform and technology may adversely affect our business and operating results.

Our continued growth depends in part on the ability of our existing and potential customers to access our platform at any time. Our platform is proprietary, and we rely on the expertise of members of our engineering, operations and software

development teams for its continued performance. We have experienced, and may in the future experience, disruptions, outages and other performance problems due to a variety of factors, including infrastructure changes, introductions of new functionality, human or software errors, capacity constraints due to an overwhelming number of users accessing our platform simultaneously, denial of service attacks or other security related incidents. In some instances, we may not be able to identify the cause or causes of these performance problems within an acceptable period of time. Because of the seasonal nature of financial close activities, increasing complexity of our platform and expanding user population, it may become difficult to accurately predict and timely address performance and capacity needs during peak load times. If our platform is unavailable or if our users are unable to access it within a reasonable amount of time or at all, our business would be harmed. In addition, our infrastructure does not currently include the real-time mirroring of data. Therefore, in the event of any of the factors described above, or other failures of our infrastructure, customer data may be permanently lost. Our customer agreements typically include performance guarantees and service level standards that obligate us to provide credits in the event of a significant disruption in our platform. To the extent that we do not effectively address capacity constraints, upgrade our systems and continually develop our technology and network architecture to accommodate actual and anticipated changes in technology, our business and operating results may be adversely affected.

## If our software contains serious errors or defects, we may lose revenue and market acceptance and may incur costs to defend or settle product liability claims.

Complex software such as ours often contains errors or defects, particularly when first introduced or when new versions or enhancements are released. Despite internal and third-party testing and testing by our customers, our current and future software may contain serious defects, which could result in lost revenue or a delay in market acceptance.

Since our customers use our platform for critical business functions such as assisting in the financial close or account reconciliation process, errors, defects or other performance problems could result in damage to our customers. They could seek significant compensation from us for the losses they suffer. Although our customer agreements typically contain provisions designed to limit our exposure to product liability claims, existing or future laws or unfavorable judicial decisions could negate these limitations. Even if not successful, a product liability claim brought against us would likely be time-consuming and costly and could seriously damage our reputation in the marketplace, making it harder for us to sell our products.

# We depend on our executive officers and other key employees and the loss of one or more of these employees or an inability to attract and retain highly-skilled employees could adversely affect our business.

Our success depends largely upon the continued services of our executive officers and other key employees. We rely on our leadership team in the areas of research and development, operations, security, marketing, sales and general and administrative functions. In particular, our founder and Chief Executive Officer provides our strategic direction and has built and maintained what we believe is an attractive workplace culture. Any failure to preserve our culture could negatively affect our ability to recruit and retain personnel. From time to time, there may be changes in our executive management team resulting from the hiring or departure of executives, which could disrupt our business. Key members of our current management and finance teams have only been working together for a relatively short period of time. If we are not successful in integrating these key employees into our organization, such failure could disrupt our business operations. We do not have employment agreements with our executive officers or other key personnel that require them to continue to work for us for any specified period and, therefore, they could terminate their employment with us at any time. The loss of one or more of our executive officers or key employees, especially our founder and Chief Executive Officer, could have an adverse effect on our business.

In addition, to execute our growth plan, we must attract and retain highly-qualified personnel. Competition for personnel is intense, especially for engineers experienced in designing and developing software applications and experienced sales professionals. We have, from time to time experienced, and we expect to continue to experience, difficulty in hiring and retaining employees with appropriate qualifications. Many of the companies with which we compete for experienced personnel have greater resources than we have. If we hire employees from competitors or other companies, their former employers may attempt to assert that these employees or we have breached their legal obligations, resulting in a diversion of our time and resources. Likewise, if competitors hire our employees, we may divert time and resources to deterring any breach by our former employees or their new employers of their legal obligations. Given the competitive nature of our industry, we have both received and asserted such claims in the past. In addition, job candidates and existing employees often consider the value of the equity awards they receive in connection with their employment. If the perceived value of our equity awards declines, it may adversely affect our ability to recruit and retain highly-skilled employees. If we fail to attract new personnel or fail to retain and motivate our current personnel, our business and future growth prospects could be adversely affected.

If our industry does not continue to develop as we anticipate or if potential customers do not continue to adopt our platform, our sales would not grow as quickly as expected, or at all, and our business and operating results and financial condition would be adversely affected.

We operate in a rapidly evolving industry focused on modernizing financial and accounting operations. Our solutions are relatively new and have been developed to respond to an increasingly global and complex business environment with more rigorous regulatory standards. If organizations do not increasingly allocate their budgets to financial automation software as we expect or if we do not succeed in convincing potential customers that our platform should be an integral part of their overall approach to their accounting processes, our sales may not grow as quickly as anticipated, or at all. Our business is substantially dependent on enterprises recognizing that accounting errors and inefficiencies are pervasive and are not effectively addressed by legacy solutions. Future deterioration in general economic conditions may also cause our customers to cut their overall information technology spending, and such cuts may disproportionately affect software solutions like ours to the extent customers view our solutions as discretionary. If our revenue does not increase for any of these reasons, or any other reason, our business, financial condition and operating results may be materially adversely affected.

## The market in which we participate is intensely competitive, and if we do not compete effectively, our operating results could be harmed.

The market for accounting and financial software and services is highly competitive and rapidly evolving. Our competitors vary in size and in the breadth and scope of the products and services they offer. We often compete with other vendors of financial automation software such as Trintech. We also compete with large, well-established, enterprise application software vendors, such as Oracle, whose Hyperion software contains components that compete with our platform. In the future, a competitor offering ERP software could include a free service similar to ours as part of its standard offerings or may offer a free standalone version of a service similar to ours. Further, other established software vendors not currently focused on accounting and finance software and services may expand their services to compete with us.

Our competitors may have greater name recognition, longer operating histories, more established customer and marketing relationships, larger marketing budgets and significantly greater resources than we do. They may be able to respond more quickly and effectively than we can to new or changing opportunities, technologies, standards, or customer requirements. In addition, some of our competitors have partnered with, or have acquired, and may in the future partner with or acquire, other competitors to offer services, leveraging their collective competitive positions, which makes, or would make, it more difficult to compete with them.

With the introduction of new technologies, the evolution of our platform and new market entrants, we expect competition to intensify in the future. Increased competition generally could result in reduced sales, reduced margins, losses or the failure of our platform to achieve or maintain more widespread market acceptance, any of which could harm our business.

## Our financial results may fluctuate due to our long and increasingly variable sales cycle.

Our sales cycle generally varies in duration between four to nine months and, in some cases, even longer depending on the size of the potential customer, the size of the potential contract and the type of solution or product being purchased. The sales cycle for our global enterprise customers is generally longer than that of our mid-market customers. In addition, the length of the sales cycle tends to increase for larger contracts and for more complex, strategic products like Intercompany Hub. As we continue to focus on increasing our average contract size and selling more strategic products, we expect our sales cycle to lengthen and become less predictable. This could cause variability in our operating results for any particular period.

A number of other factors that may influence the length and variability of our sales cycle include:

- the need to educate potential customers about the uses and benefits of our software solutions;
- the need to educate potential customers on the differences between traditional, on-premise software and SaaS solutions;
- the relatively long duration of the commitment customers make in their agreements with us;
- the discretionary nature and timing of potential customers' purchasing and budget cycles and decisions;
- the competitive nature of potential customers' evaluation and purchasing processes;

- · announcements or planned introductions of new products by us or our competitors; and
- lengthy purchasing approval processes of potential customers.

We may incur higher costs and longer sales cycles as a result of large enterprises representing an increased portion of our revenue. In this market, the decision to subscribe to our solutions may require the approval of more technical and information security personnel and management levels within a potential customer's organization, and if so, these types of sales require us to invest more time educating these potential customers. In addition, larger organizations may demand more features and integration services and have increased purchasing power and leverage in negotiating contractual arrangements with us, which may contain restrictive terms favorable to the larger organization. As a result of these factors, these sales opportunities may require us to devote greater research and development, sales, product support and professional services resources to individual customers, resulting in increased costs and reduced profitability, and would likely lengthen our typical sales cycle, which could strain our resources.

In addition, more sales are closed in the last month of a quarter than other times. If we are unable to close sufficient transactions in a particular period, or if a significant amount of transactions are delayed until a subsequent period, our operating results for that period, and for any future periods in which revenue from such transaction would otherwise have been recognized, may be adversely affected.

#### Failure to effectively organize or expand our sales capabilities could harm our ability to increase our customer base.

Increasing our customer base and sales will depend, to a significant extent, on our ability to effectively organize and expand our sales and marketing operations and activities. At December 31, 2017 our sales and marketing teams included 372 employees. As we've grown and scaled our operations, we have aligned our sales team to help streamline the customer experience. We rely on our direct sales force to obtain new customers and on our enterprise field sales team and account management team to maximize the lifetime value of our customer relationships through retention and upsell efforts. Our success will depend, in part, on our ability to support new and existing customer growth and maintain customer satisfaction. If we cannot provide the tools and training to our teams to efficiently do their jobs and satisfy customer demands, we may not be able to achieve anticipated revenue growth as quickly as expected.

In addition, we plan to continue to expand our direct sales force both domestically and internationally. We believe that there is significant competition for experienced sales professionals with the sales skills and technical knowledge that we require. Our ability to achieve significant revenue growth in the future will depend, in part, on our success in recruiting, training, and retaining a sufficient number of experienced sales professionals. New hires require significant training and time before they achieve full productivity, particularly in new sales segments and territories. Our recent hires and planned hires may not become as productive as quickly as we expect, and we may be unable to hire or retain sufficient numbers of qualified individuals in the future in the markets where we do business. Our business will be harmed if our sales expansion efforts do not generate a significant increase in revenue.

We recognize subscription revenue over the term of our customer contracts and, consequently, downturns or upturns in new sales may not be immediately reflected in our operating results and may be difficult to discern.

We recognize subscription revenue from our platform ratably over the terms of our customers' agreements, most of which have one-year terms but an increasing number of which have up to three-year terms. As a result, most of the revenue we report in each quarter is derived from the recognition of deferred revenue relating to subscriptions entered into during previous quarters. Consequently, a decline in new or renewed subscriptions in any single quarter may have a small impact on our revenue results for that quarter. However, such a decline will negatively affect our revenue in future quarters. Accordingly, the effect of significant downturns in sales and market acceptance of our platform, and potential changes in our pricing policies or rate of expansion or retention, may not be fully reflected in our results of operations until future periods. We may also be unable to reduce our cost structure in line with a significant deterioration in sales. In addition, a significant majority of our costs are expensed as incurred, while revenue is recognized over the life of the agreement with our customer. As a result, increased growth in the number of our customers could continue to result in our recognition of more costs than revenue in the earlier periods of the terms of our agreements. Our subscription model also makes it difficult for us to rapidly increase our revenue through additional sales in any period, as revenue from new customers must be recognized over the applicable subscription term.

We previously identified material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting. Although we believe these material weaknesses have since been remediated, we may identify material weaknesses in the future or otherwise fail to maintain an effective system of internal control over financial reporting in the future and may not be able to accurately or timely report our financial condition or results of operations, which may adversely affect investor confidence in us and the price of our common stock.

As a public company, we are required to maintain internal control over financial reporting and to report any material weaknesses in such internal controls. Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act"), requires that we evaluate and determine the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting and provide a management report on internal control over financial reporting. During 2015, we identified material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting. Although we remediated these material weaknesses as of December 31, 2016, we cannot assure you that additional material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting will not be identified in the future.

The process of designing and implementing internal control over financial reporting required to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act has been and will continue to be time consuming, costly and complicated. If, during the evaluation and testing process, we identify one or more material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting, our management will be unable to assert that our internal control over financial reporting is effective. Even if our management concludes that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, our independent registered public accounting firm may conclude that there are material weaknesses with respect to our internal controls or the level at which our internal controls are documented, designed, implemented, or reviewed. If we are unable to assert that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, or when required in the future, if our independent registered public accounting firm is unable to express an opinion as to the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting, investors may lose confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports, the market price of our common stock could be adversely affected, and we could become subject to stockholder lawsuits, litigation or investigations by the stock exchange on which our securities are listed, the SEC, or other regulatory authorities, which could require additional financial and management resources, and cause investor perceptions to be adversely affected and potentially resulting in restatement of our financial statements for prior periods and a decline in the market price of our stock.

## We rely on a limited number of data centers to deliver our cloud-based software solutions and any disruption of service at these centers could harm our business.

We manage our software solutions and serve most of our customers using a cloud-based infrastructure that is operated by a limited number of third-party data center facilities in North America and Europe. We do not control the operation of these facilities. Any changes in third-party service levels at our data centers or any disruptions or delays from errors, defects, hacking incidents, security breaches, computer viruses, bad acts or performance problems could harm our reputation, damage our customers' businesses, and adversely affect our business and operating results. Our data centers are also vulnerable to damage or interruption from earthquakes, hurricanes, floods, fires, war, terrorist attacks, power losses, hardware failures, systems failures, telecommunications failures and similar events. If our data centers were compromised or unavailable or our users were unable to access our solutions for any reason, our business and operations would be materially and adversely affected.

Our customers have experienced minor disruptions and outages in accessing our solutions in the past, and may in the future experience, disruptions, outages and other performance problems. Although we expend considerable effort to ensure that our platform performance is capable of handling existing and increased traffic levels, the ability of our cloud-based solutions to effectively manage any increased capacity requirements depends on our third-party providers. Our third-party data center providers may not be able to meet such performance requirements, especially to cover peak levels or spikes in traffic, and as a result, our customers may experience delays in accessing our solutions or encounter slower performance in our solutions, which could significantly harm the operations of these facilities. Interruptions in our services might reduce our revenue, cause us to issue credits to customers, subject us to potential liability, and cause customers to terminate their subscriptions or harm our renewal rates.

If we do not accurately predict our infrastructure capacity requirements, our customers could experience service shortfalls. The provisioning of additional cloud hosting capacity and data center infrastructure requires lead time. As we continue to add data centers, restructure our data management plans, and increase capacity in existing and future data centers, we have and expect to in the future move or transfer our data and our customers' data. Despite precautions taken during such processes and procedures, any unsuccessful data transfers may impair the delivery of our service, and we may experience costs or downtime in connection with the transfer of data to other facilities which may lead to, among other things, customer dissatisfaction and non-renewals. The owners of our data center facilities have no obligation to renew their agreements with us on commercially reasonable terms, or at all. If we are unable to renew these agreements on commercially reasonable terms, we may be required to transfer to new data center facilities, and we may incur significant costs and possible service interruption in connection with doing so.

# If we are unable to develop and maintain successful relationships with resellers, our business, operating results and financial condition could be adversely affected.

We believe that continued growth in our business is dependent upon identifying, developing, and maintaining strategic relationships with companies that resell our solutions. We plan to expand our small but growing network of resellers and to add new resellers, in particular to help grow our mid-market business globally. Our agreements with our existing resellers are non-exclusive, meaning resellers may offer customers the products of several different companies, including products that compete with ours. They may also cease marketing our solutions with limited or no notice and with little or no penalty. We expect that any additional resellers we identify and develop will be similarly non-exclusive and not bound by any requirement to continue to market our solutions. If we fail to identify additional resellers, in a timely and cost-effective manner, or at all, or are unable to assist our current and future resellers in independently selling our solutions, our business, results of operations, and financial condition could be adversely affected. If resellers do not effectively market and sell our solutions, or fail to meet the needs of our customers, our reputation and ability to grow our business may also be adversely affected.

## If we are not able to maintain and enhance our brand, our business, operating results and financial condition may be adversely affected.

We believe that maintaining and enhancing our reputation for accounting and finance software is critical to our relationships with our existing customers and to our ability to attract new customers. The successful promotion of our brand attributes will depend on a number of factors, including our marketing efforts, our ability to continue to develop high-quality software, and our ability to successfully differentiate our platform from competitive products and services. Our brand promotion activities may not ultimately be successful or yield increased revenue. In addition, independent industry analysts provide reviews of our platform, as well as products and services offered by our competitors, and perception of our platform in the marketplace may be significantly influenced by these reviews. If these reviews are negative, or less positive as compared to those of our competitors' products and services, our brand may be adversely affected.

The promotion of our brand requires us to make substantial expenditures, and we anticipate that the expenditures will increase as our market becomes more competitive, as we expand into new markets and as more sales are generated. To the extent that these activities yield increased revenue, this revenue may not offset the increased expenses we incur. If we do not successfully maintain and enhance our brand, our business may not grow, we may have reduced pricing power relative to competitors, and we could lose customers or fail to attract potential customers, all of which would adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

# Our long-term success depends, in part, on our ability to expand the sales of our solutions to customers located outside of the United States, and thus our business is susceptible to risks associated with international sales and operations.

We currently maintain offices and/or have sales personnel in Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Malaysia, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Singapore, South Africa, and the United Kingdom, and we intend to build out our international operations. As part of our ongoing international expansion strategy, in August 2016, we acquired Runbook, a Netherlands-based provider of financial close automation software solutions to SAP customers. We derived approximately 20% and 18% of our revenues from sales outside the United States for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Any international expansion efforts that we may undertake, including our Runbook Acquisition, may not be successful. In addition, conducting international operations in new markets subjects us to new risks that we have not generally faced in the United States. These risks include:

- localization of our solutions, including translation into foreign languages and adaptation for local practices and regulatory requirements;
- lack of familiarity and burdens of complying with foreign laws, legal standards, regulatory requirements, tariffs and other barriers;
- unexpected changes in regulatory requirements, taxes, trade laws, tariffs, export quotas, custom duties or other trade restrictions;
- differing technology standards;
- longer accounts receivable payment cycles and difficulties in collecting accounts receivable;
- difficulties in managing and staffing international operations and differing employer/employee relationships;
- fluctuations in exchange rates that may increase the volatility of our foreign-based revenue;
- potentially adverse tax consequences, including the complexities of foreign value-added tax (or other tax) systems and restrictions on the repatriation of earnings;
- · uncertain political and economic climates, including the significant volatility in the global financial markets; and
- reduced or varied protection for intellectual property rights in some countries.

These factors may cause our international costs of doing business to exceed our comparable domestic costs. Operating in international markets also requires significant management attention and financial resources. Any negative impact from our international business efforts could negatively impact our business, results of operations and financial condition as a whole.

## We may be unable to integrate acquired businesses and technologies successfully or achieve the expected benefits of such transactions.

We regularly evaluate and consider potential strategic transactions, including acquisitions of, or investments in, businesses, technologies, services, products, and other assets. For example, in 2016, we completed the Runbook Acquisition. We also may enter into relationships with other businesses to expand our products and services, which could involve preferred or exclusive licenses, additional channels of distributions or discount pricing.

Any future acquisition, investment or business relationship may result in unforeseen operating difficulties and expenditures. In particular, we may encounter difficulties assimilating or integrating the businesses, technologies, products, personnel or operations of the acquired companies, particularly if the key personnel of the acquired company choose not to work for us, their software is not easily adapted to work with our platform, or we have difficulty retaining the customers of any acquired business due to changes in ownership, management or otherwise. In addition, Runbook offers an on-premise solution to its customers. If we are unable to migrate those customers to our cloud solution or if we are unable to integrate Runbook's on-premise software with our platform, our business may be adversely affected. Acquisitions may also disrupt our business, divert our resources, and require significant management attention that would otherwise be available for development of our existing business. Moreover, the anticipated benefits of any acquisition, investment, or business relationship may not be realized or we may be exposed to unknown risks or liabilities.

Negotiating these transactions can be time-consuming, difficult, and expensive, and our ability to complete these transactions may often be subject to approvals that are beyond our control. Consequently, these transactions, even if announced, may not be completed. For one or more of those transactions, we may:

- issue additional equity securities that would dilute our existing stockholders;
- use cash that we may need in the future to operate our business;
- incur large charges or substantial liabilities;
- incur debt on terms unfavorable to us or that we are unable to repay;
- encounter difficulties retaining key employees of the acquired company or integrating diverse software codes or business cultures;
   and
- become subject to adverse tax consequences, substantial depreciation, and amortization, or deferred compensation charges.

# We use third-party contractors outside of the United States to supplement our research and development capabilities, which may expose us to risks, including risks inherent in foreign operations.

We use third-party contractors outside of the United States to supplement our research and development capabilities. We currently use third-party contractors located in Romania and China. Managing operations that are remote from our U.S. headquarters is difficult and we may not be able to manage these third-party contractors successfully. If we fail to maintain productive relationships with these contractors generally, we may be required to develop our solutions in a less efficient and cost-effective manner and our product release schedules may be delayed while we hire software developers or find alternative contract development resources. Additionally, while we take precautions to ensure that software components developed by our third-party contractors are reviewed and that our source code is protected, misconduct by our third-party contractors could result in infringement or misappropriation of our intellectual property. Furthermore, any acts of espionage, malware attacks, theft of confidential information or other malicious cyber incidents attributed to our third-party contractors may compromise our system infrastructure, expose us to litigation and lead to reputational harm that could result in a material adverse effect on our financial condition and operating results.

#### Any failure to protect our intellectual property rights could impair our ability to protect our proprietary technology and our brand.

Our success and ability to compete depend, in part, upon our intellectual property. We currently have one patent application, which may not result in an issued patent. We primarily rely on copyright, trade secret and trademark laws, trade secret protection, and confidentiality or license agreements with our employees, customers, partners and others to protect our intellectual property rights. However, the steps we take to protect our intellectual property rights may be inadequate.

In order to protect our intellectual property rights, we may be required to spend significant resources to monitor and protect these rights. In the past, we have utilized demand letters as a means to assert and resolve claims regarding potential misuse of our proprietary or trade secret information. Litigation brought to protect and enforce our intellectual property rights could be costly, time-consuming, and distracting to management, and could result in the impairment or loss of portions of our intellectual property. Furthermore, our efforts to enforce our intellectual property rights may be met with defenses, counterclaims and countersuits attacking the validity and enforceability of our intellectual property rights. Our failure to secure, protect and enforce our intellectual property rights could adversely affect our brand and adversely impact our business.

# Lawsuits or other claims by third parties for alleged infringement of their proprietary rights could cause us to incur significant expenses or liabilities.

There is considerable patent and other intellectual property development activity in our industry. Our future success depends, in part, on not infringing upon the intellectual property rights of others. From time to time, our competitors or other third parties may claim that our solutions and underlying technology infringe or violate their intellectual property rights, and we may be found to be infringing upon such rights. We may be unaware of the intellectual property rights of others that may cover some or all of our technology. Any claims or litigation could cause us to incur significant expenses and, if successfully asserted against us, could require that we pay substantial damages or ongoing royalty payments, prevent us from offering our solutions or require that we comply with other unfavorable terms. We may also be obligated to indemnify our customers or other companies in connection with any such litigation and to obtain licenses, modify our solutions, or refund subscription fees, which could further exhaust our resources. In addition, we may incur substantial

costs to resolve claims or litigation, whether or not successfully asserted against us, which could include payment of significant settlement, royalty or license fees, modification of our solutions, or refunds to customers of subscription fees. Even if we were to prevail in the event of claims or litigation against us, any claim or litigation regarding our intellectual property could be costly and time-consuming and divert the attention of our management and other employees from our business operations. Such disputes could also disrupt our solutions, adversely impacting our customer satisfaction and ability to attract customers.

#### We use open source software in our products, which could subject us to litigation or other actions.

We use open source software in our products and may use more open source software in the future. From time to time, there have been claims challenging the use of open source software against companies that incorporate open source software into their products. As a result, we could be subject to suits by parties claiming misuse of, or a right to compensation for, what we believe to be open source software. Litigation could be costly for us to defend, have a negative effect on our operating results and financial condition or require us to devote additional research and development resources to change our products. In addition, if we were to combine our proprietary software products with open source software in a certain manner, we could, under certain of the open source licenses, be required to release the source code of our proprietary software products. If we inappropriately use open source software, we may be required to re-engineer our products, discontinue the sale of our products or take other remedial actions.

# Privacy and data security concerns, and data collection and transfer restrictions and related domestic or foreign regulations may limit the use and adoption of our solutions and adversely affect our business.

Personal privacy, information security, and data protection are significant issues in the United States, Europe and many other jurisdictions where we offer our platform. The regulatory framework governing the collection, processing, storage and use of business information, particularly information that affects financial statements, and personal data, is rapidly evolving and any failure or perceived failure to comply with applicable privacy, security, or data protection laws or regulations may adversely affect our business.

The U.S. federal and various state and foreign governments have adopted or proposed requirements regarding the collection, distribution, use, security and storage of personally identifiable information and other data relating to individuals, and federal and state consumer protection laws are being applied to enforce regulations related to the online collection, use and dissemination of data. Some of these requirements include obligations on companies to notify individuals of security breaches involving particular personal information, which could result from breaches experienced by us or by organizations with which we have formed strategic relationships. Even though we may have contractual protections with such organizations, notifications related to a security breach could impact our reputation, harm customer confidence, hurt our expansion into new markets or cause us to lose existing customers.

Further, many foreign countries and governmental bodies, including the European Union (the "EU"), where we conduct business and have offices, have laws and regulations concerning the collection and use of personal data obtained from their residents or by businesses operating within their jurisdiction. These laws and regulations often are more restrictive than those in the United States. Laws and regulations in these jurisdictions apply broadly to the collection, use, storage, disclosure and security of data that identifies or may be used to identify or locate an individual, such as names, email addresses and, in some jurisdictions, Internet Protocol, or IP, addresses. With regard to data transfers of personal data from our European employees and customers to the United States, we historically relied on the U.S. Department of Commerce's Safe Harbor Privacy Principles and compliance with the U.S.-EU and U.S.-Swiss Safe Harbor Frameworks as agreed to and set forth by the U.S. Department of Commerce, and the European Union and Switzerland, which established means for legitimizing the transfer of personal data by companies doing business in Europe from the EU to the United States. As a result of the October 6, 2015 European Court of Justice opinion in Case C-362/14 (Schrems v. Data Protection Commissioner) (the "ECJ Ruling"), the U.S.-EU Safe Harbor Framework was deemed an invalid method of compliance with EU restrictions on data transfers. We have taken certain measures to legitimize our transfers of personal data, both internally and on behalf of our customers, from the EU to the United States in the wake of the ECJ Ruling. Additionally, EU and U.S. political authorities adopted the U.S. EU Privacy Shield on July 12, 2016, which may provide a new mechanism for companies to transfer EU personal data to the United States. While we now have Privacy Shield certification in place that we believe allow for the lawful transfer of personal data from the EU to the United States, it is possible that these mechanisms may be challenged or evolve to include new legal requirements that could have an impact on data transfers. It is unclear at this time whether the U.S. EU Privacy Shield will serve as an appropriate means for us to transfer EU personal data from the EU to the United States. Our means for transferring personal data from the EU may not be adopted by all of our customers and may be subject to legal challenge by data protection authorities, and we may experience reluctance or refusal by European customers to use our solutions due to potential risk exposure as a

result of the ECJ Ruling. We and our customers face a risk of enforcement actions taken by EU data protection authorities regarding data transfers from the EU to the United States.

We also expect that there will continue to be new proposed laws, regulations and industry standards concerning privacy, data protection and information security in the United States, the EU, and other jurisdictions. For example, the European Commission recently adopted a General Data Protection Regulation (the "GDPR"), effective on May 25, 2018, that will supersede current EU data protection legislation, the GDPR became directly applicable to EU member states, imposed more stringent EU data protection requirements for processors and controllers of personal data, and for companies established in the EU and those outside the EU if they collect and use personal data of EU subjects, and provides for greater penalties for noncompliance. As the GDPR is a regulation rather than a directive, it applies throughout all EU member states, but permits member states to enact supplemental requirements if they so choose. Noncompliance with the GDPR can trigger fines up to €20 million or 4% of global annual revenues, whichever is higher. We cannot yet determine the impact such future laws, regulations and standards may have on our business. Such laws and regulations are often subject to differing interpretations and may be inconsistent among jurisdictions. These and other requirements could reduce demand for our service, increase our costs, impair our ability to grow our business, or restrict our ability to store and process data or, in some cases, impact our ability to offer our service in some locations and may subject us to liability. Further, in view of new or modified federal, state or foreign laws and regulations, industry standards, contractual obligations and other legal obligations, or any changes in their interpretation, we may find it necessary or desirable to fundamentally change our business activities and practices or to expend significant resources to modify our software or platform and otherwise adapt to these changes. We may be unable to make such changes and modifications in a commercially reasonable manner or at all, and our ability to develop new products and features could be limited.

Further, following a referendum in June 2016 in which voters in the United Kingdom approved an exit from the EU, the United Kingdom government initiated a process to leave the EU in March 2017 and began negotiations to leave the EU in June 2017 (often referred to as "Brexit"), which is expected to be completed within the next two years. The Brexit has created uncertainty with regard to the regulation of data protection in the United Kingdom. In particular, it is unclear whether the United Kingdom will enact data protection laws or regulations designed to be consistent with the pending EU GDPR and how data transfers to and from the United Kingdom will be regulated. In the immediate term, the United Kingdom will remain bound by the EU GDPR following its exit from the EU since the U.K. government has announced its intention to enact a 'Great Repeal Bill' which enshrines all EU law into domestic U.K. legislation. While the U.K. Information Commissioner's Office has announced that there are no plans to dilute U.K. data protection laws, it is less certain how data protection laws or regulations will develop in the medium to longer term, and how data transfers to and from the U.K. will be regulated.

Our customers also expect that we comply with regulatory standards that may place additional burdens on us. Our customers expect us to meet voluntary certifications or adhere to standards established by third parties, such as the SSAE 18, SOC1 and SOC2 audit processes, and may demand that they be provided a report from our auditors that we are in compliance. If we are unable to maintain these certifications or meet these standards, it could adversely affect our customers' demand for our service and could harm our business.

The costs of compliance with and other burdens imposed by laws, regulations and standards may limit the use and adoption of our service and reduce overall demand for it, or lead to significant fines, penalties or liabilities for any noncompliance. Privacy, information security, and data protection concerns, whether valid or not valid, may inhibit market adoption of our platform, particularly in certain industries and foreign countries.

We depend and rely upon SaaS applications from third parties to operate our business and interruptions or performance problems with these technologies may adversely affect our business and operating results.

We rely heavily upon SaaS applications from third parties in order to operate critical functions of our business, including billing and order management, enterprise resource planning, and financial accounting services. If these services become unavailable due to extended outages, interruptions, or because they are no longer available on commercially reasonable terms, our expenses could increase, our ability to manage finances could be interrupted and our processes for managing sales of our solutions and supporting our customers could be impaired until equivalent services, if available, are identified, obtained, and implemented, all of which could adversely affect our business.

We rely on third-party computer hardware and software that may be difficult to replace or which could cause errors or failures of our software solutions.

We rely on computer hardware purchased or leased and software licensed from third parties in order to deliver our software solutions. This hardware and software may not continue to be available on commercially reasonable terms, if at

all. Any loss of the right to use any of this hardware or software could result in delaying or preventing our ability to provide our software solutions until equivalent technology is either developed by us or, if available, identified, obtained and integrated. In addition, errors or defects in third-party hardware or software used in our software solutions could result in errors or a failure, which could damage our reputation, impede our ability to provide our platform or process information, and adversely affect our business and results of operations.

## We face exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations that could harm our results of operations.

We conduct transactions, particularly intercompany transactions, in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, primarily the British pound and the Euro. As we grow our international operations, we expect the amount of our revenues that are denominated in foreign currencies to increase in the future. Accordingly, changes in the value of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar could affect our revenue and operating results due to transactional and translational remeasurements that are reflected in our results of operations. As a result of such foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations, it could be more difficult to detect underlying trends in our business and results of operations. In addition, to the extent that fluctuations in currency exchange rates cause our results of operations to differ from our expectations or the expectations of our investors, the trading price of our common stock could be adversely affected.

Additionally, as a result of Brexit, global markets and foreign currencies were adversely impacted. In particular, the value of the British pound declined as compared to the U.S. dollar and other currencies. This volatility in foreign currencies is expected to continue as the U.K. negotiates and executes its exit from the EU, but it is uncertain over what time period this will occur. A significantly weaker British pound compared to the U.S. dollar could have a negative effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We do not currently maintain a program to hedge transactional exposures in foreign currencies. However, in the future, we may use derivative instruments, such as foreign currency forward and option contracts, to hedge exposures to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. The use of such hedging activities may not offset any or more than a portion of the adverse financial effects of unfavorable movements in foreign exchange rates over the limited time the hedges are in place. Moreover, the use of hedging instruments may introduce additional risks if we are unable to structure effective hedges with such instruments.

We are subject to governmental export and import controls that could impair our ability to compete in international markets due to licensing requirements and subject us to liability if we are not in full compliance with applicable laws.

Our solutions are subject to export controls, including the Commerce Department's Export Administration Regulations and various economic and trade sanctions regulations established by the Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Controls. Obtaining the necessary authorizations, including any required license, for a particular export or sale may be time-consuming, is not guaranteed and may result in the delay or loss of sales opportunities. The U.S. export control laws and economic sanctions laws prohibit the export, re-export or transfer of specific products and services to U.S. embargoed or sanctioned countries, governments and persons. Even though we take precautions to prevent our solutions from being provided to U.S. sanctions targets, our solutions could be sold by resellers or could be used by persons in sanctioned countries despite such precautions. Failure to comply with the U.S. export control, sanctions and import laws could have negative consequences, including government investigations, penalties and reputational harm. We and our employees could be subject to civil or criminal penalties, including the possible loss of export or import privileges, fines, and, in extreme cases, the incarceration of responsible employees or managers. In addition, if our resellers fail to obtain appropriate import, export or re-export licenses or authorizations, we may also be adversely affected through reputational harm and penalties.

In addition, various countries regulate the import of encryption technology, including through import permitting/licensing requirements, and have enacted laws that could limit our ability to distribute our solutions or could limit our customers' ability to implement or access our solutions in those countries. Changes in our solutions or changes in export, sanctions and import regulations may create delays in the introduction and sale of our solutions in international markets, prevent our customers with international operations from accessing our solutions or, in some cases, preventing the export or import of our solutions to some countries, governments or persons altogether. Any change in export or import regulations, economic sanctions or related laws, shift in the enforcement or scope of existing regulations, or change in the countries, governments, persons or technologies targeted by such regulations, could result in decreased use of our solutions, or in our decreased ability to export or sell our solutions to existing or potential customers with international operations. Any decreased use of our solutions or limitation on our ability to export or sell our solutions would likely adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The nature of our business requires the application of complex revenue and expense recognition rules and the current legislative and regulatory environment affecting generally accepted accounting principles is uncertain. Significant changes in current principles could affect our financial statements going forward and changes in financial accounting standards or practices may cause adverse, unexpected financial reporting fluctuations and harm our operating results.

The accounting rules and regulations that we must comply with are complex and subject to interpretation by the FASB, the SEC and various bodies formed to promulgate and interpret appropriate accounting principles. Recent actions and public comments from the FASB and the SEC have focused on the integrity of financial reporting and internal controls. In addition, many companies' accounting policies are being subject to heightened scrutiny by regulators and the public. Further, the accounting rules and regulations are continually changing in ways that could materially impact our financial statements. For example, in May 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update, or ASU, No. 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers ("ASC 606"), as amended, superseded nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance. The effective date of the new revenue standard was January 1, 2018. The new standard permitted adoption either by using (i) a full retrospective approach for all periods presented in the period of adoption or (ii) a modified retrospective approach with the cumulative effect of initially applying the new standard recognized at the date of initial application and providing certain additional disclosures. We adopted the new revenue guidance in the first quarter of 2018 using the full retrospective method to restate each prior reporting period presented. We assessed the impact of the new revenue guidance on our arrangements and the new standard had a material impact on our consolidated financial statements. The new guidance impacted the amount and timing of incremental costs of obtaining a contract, such as sales commissions. We generally do not pay sales commissions upon contract renewal. Accordingly, under the new revenue guidance, the sales commissions are recognized over an estimated period of benefit rather than over the non-cancelable term under current guidance. The new guidance also impacted our on-premise solutions, as we are required to recognize as revenue a significant portion of the contract consideration upon delivery of the software compared to the prior practice of recognizing the contract consideration ratably over time for certain arrangements. The new guidance requires incremental disclosures of our revenue arrangements. Adoption of this standard required changes to our business processes, systems and controls to support the new revenue recognition guidance.

We cannot predict the impact of future changes to accounting principles or our accounting policies on our financial statements going forward, which could have a significant effect on our reported financial results, and could affect the reporting of transactions completed before the announcement of the change. In addition, if we were to change our critical accounting estimates, including those related to the recognition of license revenue and other revenue sources, our operating results could be significantly affected.

Incorrect or improper implementation or use of our solutions could result in customer dissatisfaction and negatively affect our business, results of operations, financial condition, and growth prospects.

Our platform is deployed in a wide variety of technology environments and into a broad range of complex workflows. Our platform has been integrated into large-scale, enterprise-wide technology environments, and specialized use cases, and our success depends on our ability to implement our platform successfully in these environments. We often assist our customers in implementing our platform, but many customers attempt to implement even complex deployments themselves or use a third-party service firm. If we or our customers are unable to implement our platform successfully, or are unable to do so in a timely manner, customer perceptions of our platform and company may be impaired, our reputation and brand may suffer, and customers may choose not to renew or expand the use of our platform.

Our customers and third-party resellers may need training in the proper use of our platform to maximize its potential. If our platform is not implemented or used correctly or as intended, including if customers input incorrect or incomplete financial data into our platform, inadequate performance may result. Because our customers rely on our platform to manage their financial close and other financial tasks, the incorrect or improper implementation or use of our platform, our failure to train customers on how to efficiently and effectively use our platform, or our failure to provide adequate product support to our customers, may result in negative publicity or legal claims against us. Also, as we continue to expand our customer base, any failure by us to properly provide these services will likely result in lost opportunities for additional subscriptions to our platform.

Any failure to offer high-quality product support may adversely affect our relationships with our customers and our financial results.

In deploying and using our solutions, our customers depend on our support services team to resolve complex technical and operational issues. We may be unable to respond quickly enough to accommodate short-term increases in customer demand for product support. We also may be unable to modify the nature, scope and delivery of our product

support to compete with changes in product support services provided by our competitors. Increased customer demand for product support, without corresponding revenue, could increase costs and adversely affect our operating results. Our sales are highly dependent on our business reputation and on positive recommendations from our existing customers. Any failure to maintain high-quality product support, or a market perception that we do not maintain high-quality product support, could adversely affect our reputation, our ability to sell our solutions to existing and prospective customers, our business, operating results, and financial position.

## If the market for SaaS solutions develops more slowly than we expect or declines, our business would be adversely affected.

The market for SaaS solutions is less mature than the market for on-premise software applications, and the adoption rate of SaaS solutions may be slower at companies in industries with heightened data security interests or business practices requiring highly customizable application software. Many organizations have invested substantial personnel and financial resources to integrate traditional on-premise solutions into their businesses, and therefore may be reluctant or unwilling to purchase SaaS solutions. In addition, some organizations have been reluctant to use cloud-based solutions because they have concerns regarding the risks associated with the reliability or security of the technology delivery model associated with these solutions. Because our solutions involve the aggregation, storage and use of confidential information and related data, including highly confidential financial data, some customers may be reluctant or unwilling to migrate to our cloud-based solutions.

It is difficult to predict customer adoption rates and demand for our software solutions, the future growth rate and size of the market or the entry of competitive products or services. The expansion of the SaaS solutions market depends on a number of factors, including the cost, performance and perceived value associated with SaaS, as well as the ability of SaaS providers to address data security and privacy concerns. Government agencies have adopted, or may adopt, laws and regulations regarding the collection and use of personal information obtained from consumers and other individuals, or may seek to access information on our platform, either of which may reduce the overall demand for our platform. If we or other SaaS providers experience data security incidents, loss of customer data, disruptions in delivery, or other problems, the market for SaaS solutions, including our platform, may be negatively affected. If SaaS solutions do not continue to achieve market acceptance, or there is a reduction in demand for SaaS solutions caused by a lack of customer acceptance, technological challenges, data security or privacy concerns, governmental regulation, competing technologies and products, or decreases in information technology spending, it would result in decreased revenue and our business would be adversely affected.

# Unfavorable conditions in our industry or the global economy could limit our ability to grow our business and negatively affect our operating results.

Our operating results may vary based on the impact of changes in our industry or the global economy on us or our customers. The revenue growth and potential profitability of our business depend on demand for business software applications and services generally and for accounting and finance systems in particular. Weak economic conditions affect the rate of accounting and finance and information technology spending and could adversely affect our customers' or potential customers' ability or willingness to purchase our cloud platform, delay purchasing decisions, reduce the value or duration of their subscription contracts, or affect attrition rates, all of which could adversely affect our operating results. If economic conditions deteriorate, our customers and prospective customers may elect to decrease their accounting and finance and information technology budgets, which would limit our ability to grow our business and negatively affect our operating results.

# Changes in laws and regulations related to the internet and cloud computing or changes to internet infrastructure may diminish the demand for our solutions, and could have a negative impact on our business.

The future success of our business depends upon the continued use of the internet as a primary medium for commerce, communication, and business applications. Federal, state, or foreign government bodies or agencies have in the past adopted, and may in the future adopt, laws or regulations affecting the use of the internet as a commercial medium. Regulators in some industries have also adopted, and may in the future adopt regulations or interpretive positions regarding the use of SaaS and cloud computing solutions. For example, some financial services regulators have imposed guidelines for the use of cloud computing services that mandate specific controls or require financial services enterprises to obtain regulatory approval prior to utilizing such software. Changes in these laws or regulations could require us to modify our solutions in order to comply with these changes. In addition, government agencies or private organizations have imposed and may impose additional taxes, fees, or other charges for accessing the internet or commerce conducted via the internet. These laws or charges could limit the growth of internet-related commerce or communications generally, or result in reductions in the demand for internet-based solutions and services such as ours. In

addition, the use of the internet as a business tool could be adversely affected due to delays in the development or adoption of new standards and protocols to handle increased demands of internet activity, security, reliability, cost, ease-of-use, accessibility, and quality of service. The performance of the internet and its acceptance as a business tool has been adversely affected by "viruses," "worms," and similar malicious programs and the internet has experienced a variety of outages and other delays as a result of damage to portions of its infrastructure. If the use of the internet is adversely affected by these issues, demand for our solutions could decline.

The adoption of any laws or regulations adversely affecting the growth, popularity or use of the Internet, including laws impacting Internet neutrality, could decrease the demand for our products and increase our operating costs. The current legislative and regulatory landscape regarding the regulation of the Internet and, in particular, Internet neutrality, in the United States is subject to uncertainty. The Federal Communications Commission passed Open Internet rules in February 2015, effective in June 2015, generally providing for Internet neutrality with respect to fixed and mobile broadband Internet service. On December 14, 2017, the Federal Communications Commission voted to repeal Open Internet rules generally providing for Internet neutrality with respect to fixed and mobile broadband Internet service regulations and return to a "light-touch" regulatory framework. However, the repeal has not yet taken effect and a number of parties have already stated their intent to appeal this order, thus, the future impact of such repeal and any challenge thereto remains uncertain. Any changes in the legislative and regulatory landscape regarding Internet neutrality, or otherwise regarding the regulation of the Internet, could harm our business.

## We provide service level commitments under our customer contracts, and if we fail to meet these contractual commitments, our revenues could be adversely affected.

Our customer agreements typically provide service level commitments. If we are unable to meet the stated service level commitments or suffer extended periods of unavailability for our applications, we may be contractually obligated to provide these customers with service credits, refunds for prepaid amounts related to unused subscription services, or we could face contract terminations. Our revenues could be significantly affected if we suffer unscheduled downtime that exceeds the allowed downtimes under our agreements with our customers. Any extended service outages could adversely affect our reputation, revenues and operating results.

# Seasonality could cause our operating results and financial metrics to fluctuate from quarter to quarter and make them more difficult to predict.

We typically add fewer customers in the first quarter of the year than other quarters. We also experience a higher volume of sales at the end of each quarter and year, which is often the result of buying decisions by our customers. Seasonality may be reflected to a much lesser extent, and sometimes may not be immediately apparent, in our revenue, due to the fact that we recognize subscription revenue over the term of our agreements. We may also increase expenses in a period in anticipation of future revenues. Changes in the number of customers and users in different periods will cause fluctuations in our financial metrics and, to a lesser extent, revenues. Those changes and fluctuations in our expenses will affect our results on a quarterly basis, and will make forecasting our future operating results and financial metrics difficult.

### Our international operations subject us to potentially adverse tax consequences.

We report our taxable income in various jurisdictions worldwide based upon our business operations in those jurisdictions. Our intercompany relationships are subject to complex transfer pricing regulations administered by taxing authorities in various jurisdictions. The relevant taxing authorities may disagree with our determinations as to the value of assets sold or acquired or income and expenses attributable to specific jurisdictions. If such a disagreement were to occur, and our position were not sustained, we could be required to pay additional taxes, interest and penalties, which could result in one-time tax charges, higher effective tax rates, reduced cash flows, and lower overall profitability of our operations. We believe that our financial statements reflect adequate reserves to cover such a contingency, but there can be no assurances in that regard.

# The enactment of legislation implementing changes in the U.S. taxation of international business activities or the adoption of other tax reform policies could materially impact our financial position and results of operations.

Recent changes to U.S. tax laws, including limitations on the ability of taxpayers to claim and utilize foreign tax credits, as well as changes to U.S. tax laws that may be enacted in the future, could impact the tax treatment of our foreign earnings. Due to expansion of our international business activities, any changes in the U.S. taxation of such activities may increase our worldwide effective tax rate and adversely affect our financial position and results of operations.

In December 2017, the U.S. Congress passed and the President signed legislation commonly referred to as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act"), which contains many significant changes to the U.S. tax laws. The consequences of these changes, including whether and how state, local and foreign jurisdictions will react to such changes, have not yet been determined. Changes in corporate tax rates, the realizability of the net deferred tax assets relating to our U.S. operations, the taxation of foreign earnings, and the deductibility of expenses contained in the Tax Act or other tax reform legislation could have a material impact on the value of our deferred tax assets, could result in significant one-time charges in the current or future taxable years, and could increase our future U.S. tax expense. Furthermore, changes to the taxation of undistributed foreign earnings could change our future intentions regarding reinvestment of such earnings. The foregoing items could have an adverse effect on our operating results, cash flow, or financial condition

## Our ability to use our net operating losses to offset future taxable income may be subject to limitations.

At December 31, 2017, we had federal and state net operating loss carryforwards ("NOLs"), of \$122.3 million and \$60.3 million, respectively. In general, under Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") a corporation that undergoes an "ownership change" is subject to limitations on its ability to utilize its NOLs to offset future taxable income. Our existing NOLs may be subject to limitations arising from previous ownership changes, and if we undergo an ownership change, our ability to utilize NOLs could be further limited by Section 382 of the Code. Future changes in our stock ownership, some of which are outside of our control, could result in an ownership change under Section 382 of the Code. Furthermore, our ability to utilize NOLs of companies that we may acquire in the future may be subject to limitations. There is also a risk that due to regulatory changes, such as suspensions on the use of NOLs, or other unforeseen reasons, our existing NOLs could expire or otherwise be unavailable to offset future income tax liabilities. For these reasons, we may not be able to realize a tax benefit from the use of our NOLs, whether or not we attain profitability. The Tax Act includes changes to the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate, and our NOLs and other deferred tax assets have been revalued at the newly enacted rate. The revaluation did not have a material impact on our consolidated balance sheet and consolidated statement of operations because we currently maintain a full valuation allowance on our U.S. deferred tax assets.

Taxing authorities may successfully assert that we should have collected, or in the future should collect, sales and use, value-added or similar taxes, and we could be subject to liability with respect to past or future sales, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

Sales and use, value-added and similar tax laws and rates vary greatly by jurisdiction and are subject to change from time to time. Some jurisdictions in which we do not collect such taxes may assert that such taxes are applicable, which could result in tax assessments, penalties and interest, and we may be required to collect such taxes in the future. Such tax assessments, penalties and interest or future requirements may adversely affect our results of operations.

## We might require additional capital to support business growth, and this capital might not be available on acceptable terms, if at all.

We intend to continue to make investments to support our business growth and may require additional funds to respond to business challenges, including the need to develop new features or enhance our existing solutions, improve our operating infrastructure or acquire complementary businesses and technologies. Accordingly, we may need to engage in equity or debt financings to secure additional funds. If we raise additional funds through further issuances of equity or convertible debt securities, our existing stockholders could suffer significant dilution, and any new equity securities we issue could have rights, preferences and privileges superior to those of holders of our common stock. Any debt financing secured by us in the future could involve restrictive covenants relating to our capital raising activities and other financial and operational matters, which may make it more difficult for us to obtain additional capital and to pursue business opportunities, including potential acquisitions. In addition, we may not be able to obtain additional financing on terms favorable to us, or at all. If we are unable to obtain adequate financing or financing on terms satisfactory to us, when we require it, our ability to continue to support our business growth and to respond to business challenges could be significantly impaired.

## Natural disasters and other events beyond our control could harm our business.

Natural disasters or other catastrophic events may cause damage or disruption to our operations, international commerce and the global economy, and thus could have a strong negative effect on us. Our business operations are subject to interruption by natural disasters, fire, power shortages, pandemics and other events beyond our control. Although we maintain crisis management and disaster response plans, such events could make it difficult or impossible for us to deliver our solutions to our customers, and could decrease demand for our solutions. The majority of our research and development activities, corporate headquarters, information technology systems and other critical business operations are located in California, which has experienced major earthquakes in the past. Significant recovery time could

be required to resume operations and our financial condition and operating results could be harmed in the event of a major earthquake or catastrophic event.

## If our goodwill or intangible assets become impaired, we may be required to record a significant charge to earnings.

We review our goodwill and intangible assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. Goodwill is required to be tested for impairment at least annually. At March 31, 2018, we had goodwill and intangible assets with a net book value of \$222.6 million related to the 2013 Acquisition and the Runbook Acquisition. An adverse change in market conditions, particularly if such change has the effect of changing one of our critical assumptions or estimates, could result in a change to the estimation of fair value that could result in an impairment charge to our goodwill or intangible assets. Any such charges may have a material negative impact on our operating results.

#### Risks Related to Ownership of our Common Stock

## The market price of our common stock may be volatile, and you could lose all or part of your investment.

The market price of our common stock since our initial public offering has been and may continue to be subject to wide fluctuations in response to various factors, some of which are beyond our control and may not be related to our operating performance. Factors that could cause fluctuations in the market price of our common stock include the following:

- actual or anticipated fluctuations in our operating results;
- the financial projections we may provide to the public, any changes in these projections or our failure to meet these projections;
- failure of securities analysts to initiate or maintain coverage of our company, changes in financial estimates by any securities analysts who follow our company or our failure to meet these estimates or the expectations of investors;
- ratings changes by any securities analysts who follow our company;
- announcements by us or our competitors of significant technical innovations, acquisitions, strategic relationships, joint ventures, or capital commitments;
- changes in operating performance and stock market valuations of other technology companies generally, or those in our industry in particular;
- price and volume fluctuations in the overall stock market from time to time, including as a result of trends in the economy as a whole;
- changes in accounting standards, policies, guidelines, interpretations or principles;
- actual or anticipated developments in our business or our competitors' businesses or the competitive landscape generally;
- developments or disputes concerning our intellectual property, or our products or third-party proprietary rights;
- announced or completed acquisitions of businesses or technologies by us or our competitors;
- new laws or regulations, or new interpretations of existing laws or regulations applicable to our business;
- any major change in our board of directors or management;
- sales of shares of our common stock by us or our stockholders;
- lawsuits threatened or filed against us; and
- other events or factors, including those resulting from war, incidents of terrorism, or responses to these events.

In addition, the stock markets, and in particular the market on which our common stock is listed, have experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations that have affected and continue to affect the market prices of equity securities of many technology companies. Stock prices of many technology companies have fluctuated in a manner unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of those companies. In the past, stockholders have instituted securities class action litigation following periods of market volatility. If we were to become involved in securities litigation, it could

subject us to substantial costs, divert resources and the attention of management from operating our business, and adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

# Certain of our Principal Stockholders hold a significant percentage of our common stock, and their interests may differ from those of other stockholders.

At March 31, 2018, our Principal Stockholders beneficially owned, in the aggregate, approximately 39% of our outstanding common stock and directors affiliated with our Principal Stockholders comprise a majority of our board of directors. Further, we entered into a Stockholders' Agreement with the Principal Stockholders which provides that the Principal Stockholders are entitled to designate members of our board of directors. We anticipate that the parties to the Stockholders' Agreement will agree to vote for these nominees as well as other directors recommended by our nominating and corporate governance committee.

Under the Stockholders' Agreement and subject to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws and applicable law, for so long as the Principal Stockholders collectively own or hold of record, directly or indirectly, in the aggregate at least 40% of their collective "Post-IPO Shares" (as defined in the Stockholders' Agreement), as adjusted for any reorganization, recapitalization, stock dividend, stock split, reverse stock split or similar changes in our capitalization, the following actions will require the approval of our board of directors, including the affirmative vote of at least two directors designated by Silver Lake Sumeru:

- any voluntary liquidation, winding up or dissolution or any action relating to a voluntary bankruptcy, reorganization or recapitalization of the company or its subsidiaries;
- certain dispositions of assets in excess of \$50 million or entry into joint ventures requiring a capital contribution in excess of \$50 million, in each case, by the company or its subsidiaries;
- fundamental changes in the nature of the company's or its subsidiaries' existing lines of business or the entry into a new significant line of business;
- any amendments to the company's amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws;
- incurrence of indebtedness in excess of \$150 million:
- appointment or termination of the Chief Executive Officer; and
- change of control transactions.

We are no longer a "controlled company" within the meaning of the corporate governance rules of the NASDAQ Stock Market because our Principal Stockholders no longer control more than a majority of our outstanding stock. Although we previously qualified as a "controlled company," we elected not to take advantage of the "controlled company" exemption and are in full compliance with all corporate governance requirements under the NASDAQ Stock Market rules.

Further, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the doctrine of "corporate opportunity" will not apply to Silver Lake Sumeru, Iconiq, their respective affiliates or the directors they designate, pursuant to their rights under the Stockholders' Agreement in a manner that would prohibit them from investing in competing businesses or doing business with our partners or customers. Accordingly, these directors will have the rights to pursue business opportunities that may be of interest to the company and which they would otherwise need to provide to the company.

## Substantial future sales of shares of our common stock could cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

The market price of our common stock could decline as a result of substantial sales of our common stock, particularly sales by our directors, executive officers and significant stockholders, a large number of shares of our common stock becoming available for sale or the perception in the market that holders of a large number of shares intend to sell their shares.

Under the Stockholders' Agreement, each of Iconiq, Ms. Tucker and Mr. Spanicciati have agreed, subject to certain limited exceptions, not to transfer, sell, exchange, assign, pledge, hypothecate, convey or otherwise dispose of or encumber any shares of our common stock without the consent of Silver Lake Sumeru until the earlier of (i) two years following the completion of our initial public offering, or November 2, 2018, and (ii) Silver Lake Sumeru's reduction of its holdings of common stock following our initial public offering by 50%. In connection with the sale of shares under our shelf

registration statement on March 12, 2018, Silver Lake Sumeru's ownership was reduced by more than 50% of its holdings of common stock following our initial public offering and these transfer restrictions were terminated.

In November 2017, we filed a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 that registered the sale of 33,738,329 shares of our common stock then held by our Principal Stockholders, from time to time, in secondary offerings. In December 2017 and March 2018, certain of our Principal Stockholders sold an aggregate of 4,500,000 shares and 8,000,000 shares, respectively, under the registration statement and the remaining 21,238,329 shares registered under the registration statement may be offered and sold without restriction under the Securities Act. Such shares may be offered from time to time in the open market, in block trades, in underwritten offerings or in any other transaction described in the related prospectus. All shares covered by the registration statement are immediately tradeable unless transferred to an affiliate of the Company

Sales of our common stock by our current stockholders may make it more difficult for us to sell equity securities in the future at a time and at a price that we deem appropriate. These sales also could cause the market price of our common stock to decline and make it more difficult for you to sell shares of our common stock.

# Provisions of our corporate governance documents could make an acquisition of the company more difficult and may impede attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove our current management, even if beneficial to our stockholders.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws and the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL") contain provisions that could make it more difficult for a third-party to acquire us, even if doing so might be beneficial to our stockholders. Among other things:

- we have authorized but unissued shares of undesignated preferred stock, the terms of which may be established and the shares of
  which may be issued without stockholder approval, and which may include supermajority voting, special approval, dividend, or other
  rights or preferences superior to the rights of stockholders;
- we have a classified board of directors with staggered three-year terms;
- stockholder action by written consent will be prohibited from and after the date on which the Principal Stockholders beneficially
  own, in the aggregate, less than 35% in voting power of our stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors;
- any amendment, alteration, rescission or repeal of our amended and restated bylaws or of certain provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation by our stockholders requires the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 75% of the voting power of our stock entitled to vote thereon, voting together as a single class outstanding; and
- stockholders are required to comply with advance notice requirements for nominations for elections to our board of directors or for proposing matters that can be acted upon by stockholders at stockholder meetings; provided, however, that such advance notice procedures will not apply to the Principal Stockholders at any time such person or entity owns in the aggregate at least 10% of the voting power of our stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors.

Further, as a Delaware corporation, we are also subject to provisions of Delaware law, which may impair a takeover attempt that our stockholders may find beneficial. These anti-takeover provisions and other provisions under Delaware law could discourage, delay or prevent a transaction involving a change in control of the company, including actions that our stockholders may deem advantageous, or negatively affect the trading price of our common stock. These provisions could also discourage proxy contests and make it more difficult for you and other stockholders to elect directors of your choosing and to cause us to take other corporate actions you desire.

We are an "emerging growth company" and we cannot be certain if the reduced disclosure requirements applicable to emerging growth companies will make our common stock less attractive to investors.

We are an "emerging growth company," as defined in the federal securities laws, and we have taken advantage of exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not "emerging growth companies" including, but not limited to, not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports and proxy statements, and exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and stockholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved. We cannot predict if investors will find our common stock less attractive because we have relied on these exemptions. If some investors find

our common stock less attractive as a result, there may be a less active trading market for our common stock and our stock price may be more volatile. We will remain an "emerging growth company" until the last day of the fiscal year following the five-year anniversary of the completion of our initial public offering, although if the market value of our common stock that is held by non-affiliates exceeds \$700 million as of the end of the second quarter of a fiscal year prior to the five-year anniversary, we would cease to be an "emerging growth company" as of the following December 31.

# The requirements of being a public company may strain our resources, divert management's attention, and affect our ability to attract and retain executive management and qualified board members.

As a public company, we are subject to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, the listing requirements of the exchanges and other markets upon which our common stock is listed, and other applicable securities rules and regulations. Compliance with these rules and regulations increases our legal and financial compliance costs, make some activities more difficult, time-consuming, or costly, and increase demand on our systems and resources, particularly after we are no longer an "emerging growth company." The Exchange Act requires, among other things, that we file annual, quarterly and current reports with respect to our business and operating results. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires, among other things, that we maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting. In order to maintain and, if required, improve our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting to meet this standard, significant resources and management oversight may be required. We are required to disclose changes made in our internal control and procedures on a quarterly basis and are required to furnish a report by management on, among other things, the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting on an annual basis. However, our independent registered public accounting firm will not be required to attest to the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting pursuant to Section 404 until the date we are no longer an "emerging growth company." As a result of the complexity involved in complying with the rules and regulations applicable to public companies, our management's attention may be diverted from other business concerns, which could adversely affect our business and operating results. Although we have hired additional employees to assist us in complying with these requirements, we may need to hire more employees in the future or engage outside consultants, which will increase our operating expenses.

In addition, changing laws, regulations, and standards relating to corporate governance and public disclosure are creating uncertainty for public companies, increasing legal and financial compliance costs, and making some activities more time-consuming. These laws, regulations, and standards are subject to varying interpretations, in many cases due to their lack of specificity, and, as a result, their application in practice may evolve over time as new guidance is provided by regulatory and governing bodies. This could result in continuing uncertainty regarding compliance matters and higher costs necessitated by ongoing revisions to disclosure and governance practices. We intend to invest substantial resources to comply with evolving laws, regulations, and standards, and this investment may result in increased general and administrative expenses and a diversion of management's time and attention from business operations to compliance activities. If our efforts to comply with new laws, regulations and standards differ from the activities intended by regulatory or governing bodies due to ambiguities related to their application and practice, regulatory authorities may initiate legal proceedings against us and our business may be adversely affected

As a result of increased disclosure of information in the filings required in a public company, our business and financial condition has become more visible, which we believe may result in threatened or actual litigation, including by competitors and other third parties. If such claims are successful, our business and operating results could be adversely affected, and even if the claims do not result in litigation or are resolved in our favor, these claims, and the time and resources necessary to resolve them, could divert the resources of our management and adversely affect our business and operating results.

## We do not intend to pay dividends on our common stock so any returns will be limited to changes in the value of our common stock.

We have never declared or paid any cash dividends on our common stock. We currently anticipate that we will retain future earnings for the development, operation, and expansion of our business, and do not anticipate declaring or paying any cash dividends for the foreseeable future. Any return to stockholders will therefore be limited to the increase, if any, of our stock price, which may never occur.

If securities or industry analysts do not publish research or publish inaccurate or unfavorable research about our business, our stock price and trading volume could decline.

The trading market for our common stock will depend in part on the research and reports that securities or industry analysts publish about us or our business. If few securities analysts commence coverage of us, or if industry analysts cease coverage of us, the trading price for our common stock would be negatively affected. If one or more of the analysts who cover us downgrade our common stock or publish inaccurate or unfavorable research about our business, our common stock price would likely decline. If one or more of these analysts cease coverage of us or fail to publish reports on us regularly, demand for our common stock could decrease, which might cause our common stock price and trading volume to decline.

Our amended and restated bylaws designate a state or federal court located within the State of Delaware as the exclusive forum for certain litigation that may be initiated by our stockholders, which could limit our stockholders' ability to obtain a favorable judicial forum for disputes with us.

Pursuant to our amended and restated bylaws, unless we consent in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the sole and exclusive forum for (1) any derivative action or proceeding brought on our behalf, (2) any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any of our directors, officers or other employees to us or our stockholders, (3) any action asserting a claim against us arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL, or (4) any action asserting a claim against us that is governed by the internal affairs doctrine shall be a state or federal court located within the State of Delaware, in all cases subject to the court's having personal jurisdiction over indispensable parties named as defendants. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in shares of our capital stock shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to this provision. The forum selection clause in our amended and restated bylaws may have the effect of discouraging lawsuits against us or our directors and officers and may limit our stockholders' ability to obtain a favorable judicial forum for disputes with us.

## Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

**Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities** 

None.

Use of Proceeds

None.

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

None.

## ITEM 6. Exhibits

The documents listed in the Exhibit Index of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are incorporated by reference or are filed with this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, in each case as indicated therein (numbered in accordance with Item 601 of Regulation S-K).

## **EXHIBIT INDEX**

		Incorporated by Reference			
Exhibit Number	Description	Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date
10.18+	Employment Offer Letter, by and between the Registrant and Marc				
	<u>Huffman, dated as of January 8, 2018</u>				
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rules				
	13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the				
	Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.				
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rules				
	13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the				
	Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.				
32.1†	Certifications of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer				
	pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of				
	the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.				
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document				
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document				
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document				
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document				
	,				
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document				
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document				
TOT.FILE	ABINE TAXONOMY EXTENSION FIRESCHILDING EMBERGE				

+ Indicates management contract or compensatory plan.

The certifications attached as Exhibit 32.1 that accompany this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are deemed furnished and not filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and are not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of BlackLine, Inc. under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, whether made before or after the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements 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.

## BlackLine, Inc.

By: /s/ Therese Tucker

Therese Tucker Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 9, 2018

By: /s/ Mark Partin

Mark Partin

Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Date: May 9, 2018

#### **EMPLOYMENT OFFER LETTER**

January 8, 2018 (This letter shall replace in its entirety that certain letter dated December 29, 2017)

Mr. Marc Huffman 100 Detroit St, Unit 202 Denver, CO 80206

Dear Marc:

I am pleased to offer you a position with BlackLine Systems, Inc. (the "Company" or "Blackline") as Chief Operating Officer, reporting to me commencing no later than February 15, 2018 (your actual first day of employment, the "Start Date"). As we have discussed, while your employment shall have commenced as of the Start Date, you will not be expected to report for duties until no later than March 1, 2018. Speaking for myself, as well as the other members of the Company's board of directors (the "Board") and the management team, we are excited to have you join and we look forward to your future success with the Company.

Base Salary. Your initial annual base salary will be \$350,000.00 ("Base Salary"). Your Base Salary will be payable in semi-monthly payments less applicable taxes, deductions and withholdings and otherwise pursuant to the Company's regular payroll policy.

Annual Incentive Bonus. You will be eligible to earn an annual incentive bonus of 100% of annual salary at target under the BlackLine Executive Bonus Plan, based on achieving performance objectives established by the compensation committee of the Board (the "Committee") in its sole discretion and payable upon achievement of those objectives as determined by the Committee. The amount of your target incentive bonus will be prorated for fiscal year 2018 based on the number of full months you are employed during 2018. If any portion of such bonus is earned, it will be paid when practicable after the Committee determines it has been earned, subject to you remaining employed with the Company through the payment date. Your annual bonus opportunity will be subject to review and adjustment based upon the Company's normal performance review practices.

Your Base Salary will be reviewed periodically as part of the Company's normal review process.

*Employee Benefits.* As a Company employee, you will be eligible to participate in all of the Company benefit plans as available, including group health insurance, disability insurance, 401(k) plan, and paid time off, based on the plans and policies in effect during your employment. The Company reserves the right to cancel or change the benefit plans and programs it offers to its employees at any time.

Equity Grant. In addition, and subject to the approval of the Committee you will be granted (i) a nonstatutory stock option to purchase 200,000 shares of the Company's common stock (the "Option"); and (ii) 200,000 restricted stock units (the "RSUs") under the Company's 2016 Equity Incentive Plan (as amended from time to time) (the "Plan"), subject to the terms of this paragraph, the Plan and the form of option and restricted stock unit agreements approved by the Board for use under the Plan (collectively, the "Equity Documents"). The Option will have a per share exercise price equal to the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the grant date. The Option and the RSUs will vest and become exercisable over a four-year period with 25% of the shares subject to the Option and the RSUs vesting on each of the first four anniversaries of your Start Date, subject to your continued employment with the Company.

Severance. Subject to the approval of the Committee, you will be entitled to participate in the Company's Change of Control and Severance Policy (the "Policy") under which you will be eligible to receive severance payments and benefits upon certain qualifying terminations of your employment based



on your senior level position within the Company, subject to the terms and conditions of the Policy. Additional details will be provided to you about the Policy at a later date. In addition, if your employment is terminated during the first twelve (12) months of your employment and prior to the first vesting date of the Option and RSUs for any reason other than Cause (as defined below) or a Change in Control (as described in the Policy), the first vesting of the Option and the RSU shall accelerate to the last day of your employment.

"Cause" Definition. For purposes of this letter, "Cause" means the occurrence of one or more of the following events or circumstances as determined in good faith by the Committee: (i) your gross negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of duties to the Company that has resulted or is reasonably likely to result in damage to the Company or its subsidiaries as determined in good faith by the Board, (ii) your commission of any act of fraud, embezzlement, or dishonesty that has caused or is reasonably expected to result in injury to the Company (or any of its subsidiaries), (iii) any material unauthorized use or disclosure of any confidential and proprietary information or trade secrets of the Company (or a successor, if appropriate) or any other party to whom you owe an obligation of nondisclosure as a result of your relationship with the Company (or a successor, if appropriate) as determined in good faith by the Committee, (iv) conviction of, or plea of nolo contendere to, a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude or commission of any act of fraud with respect to the Company, or (v) your material breach of any of your obligations under any written agreement or covenant with the Company (or any of its subsidiaries).

Travel and Housing Expenses. As a member of the senior executive team, you will be eligible for above-coach seating pursuant to the terms of the Company's global travel policy. In addition, during the first six months of your employment with the Company, you will be reimbursed for the cost of housing in Los Angeles up to \$3,000 per month. The Company will also pay for your reasonable cost of travel to and from the Company's headquarters. To the extent you utilize private aircraft for any such travel, so long as you have prior approval of the CEO, you will be reimbursed in an amount equal to the reasonable cost of a commercial airline ticket for such trip.

At-Will Employment. You should be aware that your employment with the Company is for no specified period and constitutes at-will employment. As a result, you are free to resign at any time, for any reason or for no reason. Similarly, the Company is free to conclude its employment relationship with you at any time, with or without cause, and with or without notice.

Confidentiality Agreement; Arbitration Agreement. As an employee of the Company, you will continue to have access to certain confidential information of the Company and you may, during the course of your employment, develop certain information or inventions that will be the property of the Company. To protect the interests of the Company, you will be required, as a condition of your employment with the Company, to sign the Company's standard Confidential Information and Inventions Assignment Agreement attached hereto (the "Confidentiality Agreement") and the Company's standard arbitration agreement attached hereto (the "Arbitration Agreement").

Conditions to Employment. For purposes of federal immigration law, you will be required to provide to the Company documentary evidence of your identity and eligibility for employment in the United States. Such documentation must be provided to us within three (3) business days of your date of hire, or our employment relationship with you may be terminated.

Commencement of your employment at BlackLine, even if you accept this offer, is conditioned upon: satisfactory verification of any employment references you have provided; and (b) satisfactory completion of a background check.

Outside Activities. You agree that, during the term of your employment with the Company, you will not engage in any other employment, occupation, consulting or other business activity related to the business in which the Company is now involved or becomes involved during the term of your employment, nor will you engage in any other activities that conflict with your obligations to the Company.



*Public Announcement.* You and we will work together on the announcement of your employment publicly following formal action by our Board of Directors regarding your appointment. Until that time, your appointment should be kept confidential.

*Miscellaneous.* To indicate your acceptance of the Company's offer, please sign and date this letter in the space provided below and return it to me. This letter, the Equity Documents, the Policy, the Confidentiality Agreement, and the Arbitration Agreement set forth the terms of your employment with the Company and supersede any prior or contemporaneous representations or agreements, whether written or oral. This letter may not be modified or amended except by a written agreement, signed by an officer of the Company and by you.

This offer will expire if not signed and returned to BlackLine by January 12, 2018, at 5 PM.

We look forward to working with you here at BlackLine - welcome to the team!

Very truly yours,

Therese Tucker
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Therese Tucker
Signature

ACCEPTED AND AGREED:

MARC HUFFMAN

/s/ Marc Huffman
Signature



1/8/2018 Date

# CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a), AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, Therese Tucker, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of BlackLine, 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(s) 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(s) 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.

Date: May 9, 2018

BLACKLINE, INC.

By: /s/ Therese Tucker

Name: Therese Tucker

Therese Tucker

Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

# CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a), AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, Mark Partin, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of BlackLine, 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(s) 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(s) 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.

Date: May 9, 2018

BLACKLINE, INC.

By: /s/ Mark Partin
Name: Mark Partin

Title: Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

# CERTIFICATIONS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Therese Tucker, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of BlackLine, Inc. for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that information contained in such Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of BlackLine, Inc.

Date: May 8, 2018 By: /s/ Therese Tucker

Name: Therese Tucker

Title: Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

I, Mark Partin, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of BlackLine, Inc. for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that information contained in such Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of BlackLine, Inc.

Date: May 8, 2018 By: /s/ Mark Partin

Name: Mark Partin

Title: Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)