

Palo Alto Networks Reports Fiscal Third Quarter 2015 Financial Results

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- Fiscal third quarter total revenue grows 55 percent year-over-year to \$234.2 million
- Billings grow 56 percent year-over-year to \$302.2 million
- Deferred revenue grows 64 percent year-over-year to \$603.9 million

SANTA CLARA, Calif., May 27, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Palo Alto Networks, Inc. (NYSE: PANW) today announced financial results for its fiscal third quarter 2015 ended April 30, 2015.

Total revenue for the fiscal third quarter 2015 grew 55 percent year-over-year to a record \$234.2 million, compared with \$150.7 million for the fiscal third quarter 2014. GAAP net loss for the fiscal third quarter 2015 was \$45.9 million, or \$0.56 per diluted share, compared with GAAP net loss of \$146.6 million, or \$1.96 per diluted share, for the fiscal third quarter 2014.

Palo Alto Networks recorded fiscal third quarter 2015 non-GAAP net income of \$20.5 million, or \$0.23 per diluted share, compared with non-GAAP net income of \$8.7 million, or \$0.11 per diluted share, for the fiscal third quarter 2014. A reconciliation between GAAP and non-GAAP information is contained in the tables below.

"We reported record revenue in the fiscal third quarter 2015 as we continue to expand market share with growth rates that significantly outpace the market. Our ongoing success is due to our natively integrated and highly automated enterprise security platform that delivers prevention capabilities at every step in the cyber-attack lifecycle," said Mark McLaughlin, president and chief executive officer of Palo Alto Networks. "Our customers are benefitting from the leverage gained by our flexible and extensible platform, the network-effect of insights from across our customer base, and our consistent delivery of innovative technology that extends the value of the platform and enhances our customers' security."

Steffan Tomlinson, chief financial officer of Palo Alto Networks, commented, "Year-over-year revenue growth of 55 percent was driven by new customer acquisition and expansion in existing accounts, resulting in substantial growth across all three components of our business: product, recurring subscription and support. At the same time we continued to realize the leverage inherent in our ramping hybrid-SaaS model, delivering sequential and year-over-year expansion of non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP earnings per share, and cash flow from operations."

Recent Highlights

- Acquired CirroSecure This acquisition expands the functionality of our enterprise security platform by providing
 additional security for SaaS applications and is expected to be available as a new subscription-based service in the second
 half of 2015.
- Introduced new AutoFocus threat intelligence offering At Ignite, our annual user conference, we introduced our newest subscription service AutoFocus, which provides prioritized, actionable intelligence to help customers take quick, preventive action against targeted cyber threats. More than 750 customers have already submitted requests to enroll in the AutoFocus community access program.
- Positioned in the "Leaders" quadrant of Gartner, Inc.'sApril 2015 Magic Quadrant for Enterprise Network Firewalls
 This is the fourth consecutive year in which Palo Alto Networks has been recognized as a leader in the Magic Quadrant for Enterprise Network Firewalls report.^[1]
- Received Superior Security Score in head-to-head product test In the NSS Labs 2015 Next-Generation Intrusion Prevention System (NGIPS) test, our platform achieved the highest security efficacy ratings of any other offering tested when exposed to live (real-time) drive-by exploits.
- [1] Gartner, "Magic Quadrant for Enterprise Network Firewalls", Adam Hils, Greg Young, Jeremy D'Hoinne; April 22, 2015.

Financial Outlook

Palo Alto Networks provides guidance based on current market conditions and expectations.

For the fiscal fourth quarter 2015, we expect:

- Total revenue in the range of \$252 to \$256 million, representing year-over-year growth between 41 percent and 44 percent.
- Diluted non-GAAP earnings per share in the range of \$0.24 to \$0.25 using 88.5 to 90.5 million shares.

Guidance for non-GAAP financial measures excludes share-based compensation and related payroll taxes, amortization of acquired intangible assets, acquisition related expenses, discrete tax benefits, non-cash interest expense related to our convertible senior notes, and certain non-recurring expenses. We have not reconciled diluted non-GAAP earnings per share guidance to GAAP net income (loss) per diluted share because we do not provide guidance on GAAP net income (loss) or the various reconciling cash and non-cash items between GAAP net income (loss) and non-GAAP net income (loss). Items that impact these measures are out of our control and/or cannot be reasonably predicted. Accordingly, a reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measure guidance to the corresponding GAAP measures is not available without unreasonable effort.

Conference Call Information

Palo Alto Networks will host a conference call for analysts and investors to discuss its fiscal third quarter 2015 results and outlook for its fiscal fourth quarter 2015 today at 4:30 PM Eastern time/1:30 PM Pacific time. Open to the public, investors may access the call by dialing 1-877-795-3635 or 1-719-325-4784 and entering the passcode 6909255. A live audio webcast of the conference call along with supplemental financial information will also be accessible from the "Investors" section of the company's website at investors.paloaltonetworks.com. Following the webcast, an archived version will be available on the website for one year. A telephonic replay of the call will be available two hours after the call and will run for five business days and may be accessed by dialing 1-888-203-1112 or 1-719-457-0820 and entering the passcode 6909255.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, including statements regarding our financial outlook for the fiscal fourth quarter of 2015, the expected timing of when we will offer CirroSecure as a new subscription-based service, our ability to continue to expand market share with growth rates that significantly outpace the market and continued leverage resulting from our hybrid-SAAS model. There are a significant number of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from statements made in this press release, including: our limited operating history; risks associated with our rapid growth, particularly outside of the United States; our limited experience with new product introductions and the risks associated with new products, including software bugs; our ability to successfully integrate our operations with those of recently acquired CirroSecure; the failure to timely develop and achieve market acceptance of new products as well as existing products and services; rapidly evolving technological developments in the market for network security products; and general market, political, economic and business conditions.

Additional risks and uncertainties that could affect our financial results are included under the captions "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," in our quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on March 3, 2015, which is available on our website at investors.paloaltonetworks.com and on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Additional information will also be set forth in other filings that we make with the SEC from time to time. All forward-looking statements in this press release are based on information available to us as of the date hereof, and we do not assume any obligation to update the forward-looking statements provided to reflect events that occur or circumstances that exist after the date on which they were made.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Palo Alto Networks has provided in this release financial information that has not been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (GAAP). The company uses these non-GAAP financial measures internally in analyzing its financial results and believes that the use of these non-GAAP financial measures is useful to investors as an additional tool to evaluate ongoing operating results and trends and in comparing the company's financial results with other companies in its industry, many of which present similar non-GAAP financial measures.

Non-GAAP financial measures are not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for comparable GAAP financial measures, and should be read only in conjunction with the company's consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP. A reconciliation of the company's non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP measures has been provided in the financial statement tables included in this press release, and investors are encouraged to review the reconciliation.

Non-GAAP net income and diluted net income per share. Palo Alto Networks defines non-GAAP net income as net income (loss) plus share-based compensation related charges including share-based payroll tax expense, acquisition related costs, amortization expense of acquired intangible assets, litigation related charges including legal settlements, non-cash interest expense related to the company's convertible senior notes, and intellectual property restructuring related charges. The company also excludes from non-GAAP net income the foreign currency gains (losses) and tax effects associated with these items in order to provide a complete picture of the company's recurring core business operating results. The Company defines non-GAAP net income per share as non-GAAP net income divided by the weighted average diluted shares outstanding after giving effect to the anti-dilutive impact of the company's note hedge agreements. The anti-dilutive impact reduces the potential economic dilution that otherwise would occur upon conversion of the company's convertible senior notes. Under GAAP, the anti-dilutive impact of the note hedge is not reflected in diluted shares. Palo Alto Networks believes that excluding these items from non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted net income per share provides management and investors with greater visibility into the underlying performance of the company's core business operating results, meaning its operating performance excluding these items and, from time to time, other discrete charges that are infrequent in nature, over multiple periods.

Billings. Palo Alto Networks defines billings as total revenue plus the change in deferred revenue, net of acquired deferred revenue, during the period. The company's management monitors billings because billings drive deferred revenue, which is an important indicator of the health and visibility of the company's business. The company considers billings to be a useful metric for management and investors, particularly as sales of subscriptions increase and the company experiences strong renewal rates for subscriptions and support and maintenance.

Investors are cautioned that there are a number of limitations associated with the use of non-GAAP financial measures as an analytical tool. In particular, many of the adjustments to the company's GAAP financial measures reflect the exclusion of items that are recurring and will be reflected in the company's financial results for the foreseeable future, such as share-based compensation. Share-based compensation is an important part of Palo Alto Networks employees' compensation and impacts their performance. In addition, the billings metric reported by the company includes amounts that have not yet been recognized as revenue. The components that Palo Alto Networks excludes in its calculation of non-GAAP financial measures may differ from the components that its peer companies exclude when they report their non-GAAP results of operations. Palo Alto Networks compensates for these limitations by providing specific information regarding the GAAP amounts excluded from these non-GAAP financial measures. In the future, the company may also exclude non-recurring expenses and other expenses that do not reflect the company's core business operating results.

About Palo Alto Networks

Palo Alto Networks is leading a new era in cybersecurity by protecting thousands of enterprise, government, and service provider networks from cyber threats. Unlike fragmented legacy products, our security platform safely enables business operations and delivers protection based on what matters most in today's dynamic computing environments: applications, users, and content. Find out more at www.paloaltonetworks.com.

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Palo Alto Networks, Inc. Preliminary Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Thr	ee Months	End	led April 30,	Nir	ne Months E	End	ed April 30,
		2015	2014		2014 2015			2014
Revenue:								
Product	\$	121,524	\$	84,128	\$	338,621	\$	240,436
Services		112,648		66,572		305,552		179,512
Total revenue		234,172		150,700		644,173		419,948
Cost of revenue:								
Product		32,851		20,425		92,632		58,600
Services		31,544		19,285		84,549		52,421
Total cost of revenue		64,395		39,710		177,181		111,021
Total gross profit		169,777		110,990		466,992		308,927
Operating expenses:								
Research and development		48,486		27,837		132,739		71,983
Sales and marketing		131,026		83,995		360,267		228,095
General and administrative		26,989		23,717		72,989		57,575
Legal settlement				121,173				141,173
Total operating expenses		206,501		256,722		565,995		498,826
Operating loss		(36,724)		(145,732)		(99,003)		(189,899)
Interest expense		(5,631)		(13)		(16,659)		(35)
Other income (expense), net		(55)		430		630		665
Loss before income taxes		(42,410)		(145,315)		(115,032)		(189, 269)
Provision for income taxes		3,525		1,272		3,979		5,125
Net loss	\$	(45,935)	\$	(146,587)	\$	(119,011)	\$	(194,394)
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	\$	(0.56)	\$	(1.96)	\$	(1.47)	\$	(2.66)
Weighted-average shares used to compute net loss per share, basic and diluted	<u></u> t	82,320		74,967		80,828		73,127

Palo Alto Networks, Inc. Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Thr	ee Months	Enc	led April 30,	Nir	ne Months I	End	led April 30,
		2015		2014		2015		2014
GAAP net loss	\$	(45,935)	\$	(146,587)	\$	(119,011)	\$	(194,394)
Share-based compensation related charges		64,175		29,197		164,312		67,228
Acquisition related costs		349		3,681		349		7,480
Amortization expense of acquired intangible assets		1,725		614		4,993		679
Litigation related charges [a]		3,065		125,905		9,195		150,447
Non-cash interest expense related to convertible notes		5,610		_		16,609		_
Foreign currency loss associated with an acquisition related tax liability		514		_		514		_
Income tax and other tax adjustments related to the above		(9,025)		(4,079)		(26,778)		(8,769)
Non-GAAP net income	\$	20,478	\$	8,731	\$	50,183	\$	22,671
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GAAP net loss per share, diluted	\$	(0.56)	\$	(1.96)	\$	(1.47)	\$	(2.66)
Share-based compensation related charges		0.76		0.38		1.99		0.90
Acquisition related costs		0.00		0.05		0.00		0.10
Amortization expense of acquired intangible assets		0.02		0.01		0.06		0.01
Litigation related charges [a]		0.04		1.68		0.11		2.06
Non-cash interest expense related to convertible notes		0.07		0.00		0.21		0.00
Foreign currency loss associated with an acquisition related tax liability		0.01		0.00		0.01		0.00
Income tax and other tax adjustments related to the above		(0.11)		(0.05)		(0.33)		(0.12)
Non-GAAP net income per share, diluted	\$	0.23	\$	0.11	\$	0.58	\$	0.29
GAAP weighted-average shares used to compute net loss per share, diluted		82,320		74,967		80,828		73,127
Weighted-average effect of potentially dilutive securities [b]		5,711		5,248		5,618		5,350
Non-GAAP weighted-average shares used to compute net income per share, diluted		88,031		80,215		86,446		78,477

Revenue	\$ 234,172	\$ 150,700	\$ 644,173	\$
Change in deferred revenue, net of acquired deferred revenue	68,047	 43,190	 181,312	
Billings	\$ 302,219	\$ 193,890	\$ 825,485	\$

[a] Litigation related charges during the three and nine months ended April 30, 2015 includes the amortization of intellectual property licenses entered into as part of the legal settlement with Juniper Networks, Inc. ("Juniper"). Litigation related charges during the three and nine months ended April 30, 2014 includes expenses for legal services, the legal settlement with Fortinet, Inc. of \$20.0 million, and the legal settlement with Juniper of \$121.2 million.

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Palo Alto Networks, Inc. **Preliminary Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets** (In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Αŗ	oril 30, 2015	Jι	ıly 31, 2014
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	454,123	\$	653,812
Short-term investments		368,850		118,690
Accounts receivable, net		150,523		135,518
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		67,013		50,306
Total current assets		1,040,509		958,326
Property and equipment, net		59,546		48,744
Long-term investments		408,465		201,880
Goodwill		155,402		155,033
Intangible assets, net		43,885		47,955
Other assets		76,625		66,528
Total assets	\$	1,784,432	\$	1,478,466
Liabilities, temporary equity, and stockholders' equity	,			_
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	14,661	\$	14,526
Accrued compensation		53,467		48,727
Accrued and other liabilities		28,535		25,000
Deferred revenue		365,384		259,918
Convertible senior notes, net		481,960		
Total current liabilities		944,007		348,171
Convertible senior notes, net		_		466,875
Long-term deferred revenue		238,506		162,660
Other long-term liabilities		54,601		32,177
Temporary equity		93,040		_
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock		_		_
Common stock		8		8
Additional paid-in capital		908,867		804,406
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		140		(105)
Accumulated deficit		(454,737)	_	(335,726)
Total stockholders' equity		454,278		468,583
Total liabilities, temporary equity, and stockholders' equity	<u>\$</u>	1,784,432	\$	1,478,466

Palo Alto Networks, Inc. **Preliminary Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows** (In thousands) (Unaudited)

Cash flows from operating activities

Net loss

Nine Months Ended April 30,					
2015	2014				
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(119,011)	\$	(194,394)			
	2015				

[[]b] Non-GAAP net income per share, diluted, includes the potentially dilutive effect of options, restricted stock units, and convertible senior notes outstanding. In addition, Non-GAAP net income per share, diluted, includes the anti-dilutive impact of the company's note hedge agreements, which reduced the potentially dilutive effect of the convertible notes for the three and nine months ended April 30, 2015 by 1.3 million shares and 0.6 million shares, respectively. The potentially dilutive effect of the convertible notes for the three and nine months ended April 30, 2014 was nil.

Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Share-based compensation for equity based awards	155,498	66,685
Depreciation and amortization	20,273	11,638
Amortization of investment premiums, net of accretion of purchase discounts	2,308	1,180
Amortization of debt discount and debt issuance costs	16,610	_
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation arrangements	(518)	(758)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable, net	(15,005)	(27,220)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(30,885)	(7,926)
Accounts payable	(3,896)	8,965
Accrued compensation	4,750	6,792
Accrued and other liabilities	27,543	131,043
Deferred revenue	181,312	118,551
Net cash provided by operating activities	238,979	114,556
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchases of investments	(666,471)	(316,911)
Proceeds from sales of investments	7,000	6,630
Proceeds from maturities of investments	200,798	198,080
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	_	(85,726)
Purchases of property, equipment, and other assets	(21,862)	(31,379)
Net cash used in investing activities	(480,535)	(229,306)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from exercises of stock options	23,136	25,431
Proceeds from employee stock purchase plan	18,213	12,869
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation arrangements	518	758
Repurchases of restricted common stock from terminated employees		(132)
Net cash provided by financing activities	41,867	38,926
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(199,689)	(75,824)
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of period	653,812	310,614
Cash and cash equivalents - end of period	454,123	\$ 234,790

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