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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED June 30, 2016

OR

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

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM _____ TO _____

Commission File number 1 10799

ADDvantage Technologies Group, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OKLAHOMA 73 1351610
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1221 E. Houston
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma 74012
(Address of principal executive office)
(918) 251-9121
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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

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

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Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes
No

Shares outstanding of the issuer's \$.01 par value common stock as of July 31, 2016 were 10,134,235.

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Form 10-Q
For the Period Ended June 30, 2016

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

ADVANTAGE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS
(UNAUDITED)

| | June 30, 2016 | September 30, 2015 |
|--|------------------|--------------------------|
| Assets | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$5,143,774 | \$6,110,986 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$250,000 | 5,839,088 | 4,286,377 |
| Inventories, net of allowance for excess and obsolete inventory of \$3,206,628 and \$2,756,628, respectively | 21,667,539 | 23,600,996 |
| Prepaid expenses | 241,498 | 153,454 |
| Deferred income taxes | 1,824,000 | 1,776,000 |
| Total current assets | 34,715,899 | 35,927,813 |
| Property and equipment, at cost: | | |
| Land and buildings | 7,218,678 | 7,218,678 |
| Machinery and equipment | 3,713,134 | 3,415,164 |
| Leasehold improvements | 151,957 | 151,957 |
| Total property and equipment, at cost | 11,083,769 | 10,785,799 |
| Less: Accumulated depreciation | (4,883,554) | (4,584,796) |
| Net property and equipment | 6,200,215 | 6,201,003 |
| Investment in and loans to equity method investee | 1,515,721 | — |
| Intangibles, net of accumulated amortization | 5,180,120 | 5,799,473 |
| Goodwill | 3,910,089 | 3,910,089 |
| Other assets | 135,988 | 134,678 |
| Total assets | \$51,658,032 | \$51,973,056 |

See notes to unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements.

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ADVANTAGE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS
(UNAUDITED)

| | June 30, 2016 | September 30, 2015 |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$2,483,707 | \$1,784,482 |
| Accrued expenses | 1,352,554 | 1,358,681 |
| Income tax payable | 52,895 | 122,492 |
| Notes payable – current portion | 896,330 | 873,752 |
| Other current liabilities | 952,331 | 982,094 |
| Total current liabilities | 5,737,817 | 5,121,501 |
| Notes payable, less current portion | 3,690,640 | 4,366,130 |
| Deferred income taxes | 314,000 | 286,000 |
| Other liabilities | 120,256 | 1,064,717 |
| Total liabilities | 9,862,713 | 10,838,348 |
| Shareholders' equity: | | |
| Common stock, \$.01 par value; 30,000,000 shares authorized; 10,634,893 and 10,564,221 shares issued, respectively; 10,134,235 and 10,063,563 shares outstanding, respectively | | |
| | 106,349 | 105,642 |
| Paid in capital | (4,938,075) | (5,112,269) |
| Retained earnings | 47,627,059 | 47,141,349 |
| Total shareholders' equity before treasury stock | 42,795,333 | 42,134,722 |
| Less: Treasury stock, 500,658 shares, at cost | (1,000,014) | (1,000,014) |
| Total shareholders' equity | 41,795,319 | 41,134,708 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | \$51,658,032 | \$51,973,056 |

See notes to unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements.

ADVANTAGE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(UNAUDITED)

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|-----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| | 2016 | 2015 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Sales | \$ 10,060,242 | \$ 11,902,391 | \$ 28,897,097 | \$ 34,106,088 |
| Cost of sales | 6,594,091 | 7,757,784 | 19,080,954 | 21,886,166 |
| Gross profit | 3,466,151 | 4,144,607 | 9,816,143 | 12,219,922 |
| Operating, selling, general and administrative expenses | 3,062,288 | 3,202,402 | 8,987,316 | 10,081,016 |
| Income from operations | 403,863 | 942,205 | 828,827 | 2,138,906 |
| Other income (expense): | | | | |
| Other income | 70,517 | – | 180,071 | – |
| Interest income | 28,950 | – | 31,122 | – |
| Income (loss) from equity method investment | 63,977 | – | (77,021) | – |
| Interest expense | (54,221) | (71,071) | (184,289) | (235,594) |
| Total other income (expense), net | 109,223 | (71,071) | (50,117) | (235,594) |
| Income before provision for income taxes | 513,086 | 871,134 | 778,710 | 1,903,312 |
| Provision for income taxes | 197,000 | 234,000 | 293,000 | 616,000 |
| Net income | \$ 316,086 | \$ 637,134 | \$ 485,710 | \$ 1,287,312 |
| Earnings per share: | | | | |
| Basic | \$0.03 | \$0.06 | \$0.05 | \$0.13 |
| Diluted | \$0.03 | \$0.06 | \$0.05 | \$0.13 |
| Shares used in per share calculation: | | | | |
| Basic | 10,134,235 | 10,073,121 | 10,098,564 | 10,055,390 |
| Diluted | 10,135,607 | 10,073,121 | 10,103,054 | 10,055,390 |

See notes to unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements.

ADVANTAGE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(UNAUDITED)

| | Nine Months Ended June | |
|---|------------------------|-------------|
| | 30, | |
| | 2016 | 2015 |
| Operating Activities | | |
| Net income | \$485,710 | \$1,287,312 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation | 312,403 | 299,591 |
| Amortization | 619,353 | 619,354 |
| Provision for excess and obsolete inventories | 450,000 | 450,000 |
| Deferred income tax benefit | (20,000) | (180,000) |
| Share based compensation expense | 142,040 | 184,751 |
| Loss from equity method investment | 77,021 | – |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: | | |
| Accounts receivable | (1,444,754) | 593,954 |
| Income tax receivable\payable | (69,597) | 212,924 |
| Inventories | 1,499,557 | (2,166,895) |
| Prepaid expenses | (55,183) | 17,550 |
| Other assets | (1,310) | – |
| Accounts payable | 641,268 | (125,367) |
| Accrued expenses | 19,649 | (62,003) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 2,656,157 | 1,131,171 |
| Investing Activities | | |
| Acquisition of net operating assets | (178,000) | – |
| Guaranteed payments for acquisition of business | (1,000,000) | (1,000,000) |
| Investment in and loans to equity method investment | (1,592,742) | – |
| Additions to land and buildings | – | (56,074) |
| Additions to machinery and equipment | (199,715) | (90,187) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (2,970,457) | (1,146,261) |
| Financing Activities | | |
| Payments on notes payable | (652,912) | (632,266) |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (652,912) | (632,266) |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (967,212) | (647,356) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 6,110,986 | 5,286,097 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$5,143,774 | \$4,638,741 |
| Supplemental cash flow information: | | |
| Cash paid for interest | \$153,531 | \$156,098 |
| Cash paid for income taxes | \$351,200 | \$600,000 |

See notes to unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements.

ADVANTAGE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.
NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation and Accounting Policies

Basis of presentation

The consolidated condensed financial statements include the accounts of ADDvantage Technologies Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries, all of which are wholly owned (collectively, the “Company”). Intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The Company’s reportable segments are Cable Television (“Cable TV”) and Telecommunications (“Telco”).

The accompanying unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for interim financial statements and do not include all the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for complete financial statements. However, the information furnished reflects all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring items which are, in the opinion of management, necessary in order to make the consolidated condensed financial statements not misleading. It is suggested that these consolidated condensed financial statements be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2015.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09: “Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)”. This guidance was issued to clarify the principles for recognizing revenue and develop a common revenue standard for U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”). In addition, in August 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-14: “Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606). This update was issued to defer the effective date of ASU No. 2014-09 by one year. Therefore, the effective date of ASU No. 2014-09 is for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. Management is evaluating the impact that ASU No. 2014-09 will have on the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

In September 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-16: “Business Combinations (Topic 805)”. This guidance was issued to amend existing guidance related to measurement period adjustments associated with a business combination. The new standard requires the Company to recognize measurement period adjustments in the reporting period in which the adjustments are determined, including any cumulative charge to earnings in the current period. The amendment removes the requirement to adjust prior period financial statements for these measurement period adjustments. The guidance is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2015 and early adoption is permitted. Management is evaluating the impact that ASU No. 2015-16 will have on the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-17: “Income Taxes (Topic 740) – Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes.” This guidance was issued to simplify the presentation of deferred income taxes. The amendments in this Update require that deferred tax liabilities and assets be classified as noncurrent in a classified statement of financial position. The effective date of ASU No. 2015-17 is for financial statements issued for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those annual periods. Management is evaluating the impact that ASU No. 2015-17 will have on the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02: “Leases (Topic 842)” which is intended to improve financial reporting about leasing transactions. The ASU will require organizations (“lessees”) that lease assets with lease terms of more than twelve months to recognize on the balance sheet the assets and liabilities for the rights and obligations created by those leases. Organizations that own the assets leased by lessees (“lessors”) will remain largely unchanged

from current GAAP. In addition, the ASU will require disclosures to help investors and other financial statement users better understand the amount, timing and uncertainty of cash flows arising from leases. The guidance is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018 and early adoption is permitted. Management is evaluating the impact that ASU No. 2016-02 will have on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-09: “Compensation – Stock Compensation (Topic 718)” which is intended to improve employee share-based payment accounting. This ASU identifies areas for simplification involving several aspects of accounting for share-based payment transactions, including the income tax consequences, classification of awards as either equity or liabilities, an option to recognize gross stock compensation expense with actual forfeitures recognized as they occur, as well as certain classifications on the statement of cash flows. The guidance is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016 and interim periods within those annual periods. Early adoption is permitted. Management is evaluating the impact that ASU No. 2016-09 will have on the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

Note 2 – Acquisition

On December 31, 2015, the Company acquired the net operating assets of Advantage Solutions, LLC in Kingsport, Tennessee. This new location for the Cable TV segment will provide cable television equipment repair services in the region as well as expand the Company’s Cable TV equipment sales opportunities.

The purchase price was allocated to the major categories of assets and liabilities based on their estimated fair values at the acquisition date. The following table summarizes the preliminary purchase price allocation:

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Assets acquired: | |
| Accounts receivable | \$ 107,957 |
| Refurbished inventory | 16,100 |
| Fixed assets - equipment | 111,900 |
| Liabilities assumed: | |
| Current liabilities | (57,957) |
| Net assets acquired | \$ 178,000 |

Note 3 – Inventories

Inventories at June 30, 2016 and September 30, 2015 are as follows:

| | June 30, 2016 | September 30, 2015 |
|---|------------------|--------------------------|
| New: | | |
| Cable TV | \$ 14,916,937 | \$ 16,255,487 |
| Refurbished: | | |
| Cable TV | 3,832,035 | 3,676,132 |
| Telco | 6,125,195 | 6,426,005 |
| Allowance for excess and obsolete inventory | (3,206,628) | (2,756,628) |
| | \$ 21,667,539 | \$ 23,600,996 |

New inventory includes products purchased from the manufacturers plus “surplus-new”, which are unused products purchased from other distributors or multiple system operators. Refurbished inventory includes factory refurbished, Company refurbished and used products. Generally, the Company does not refurbish its used inventory until there is a sale of that product or to keep a certain quantity on hand.

The Company regularly reviews the Cable TV segment inventory quantities on hand, and an adjustment to cost is recognized when the loss of usefulness of an item or other factors, such as obsolete and excess inventories, indicate that cost will not be recovered when an item is sold. The Company recorded charges in the Cable TV segment to allow for obsolete inventory, which increased the cost of sales during the nine months ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, by approximately \$0.5 million. For the Telco segment, any obsolete and excess telecommunications inventory is

processed through its recycling program when it is identified.

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Note 4 – Investment In and Loans to Equity Method Investee

On March 10, 2016, the Company announced that it entered into a joint venture, YKTG Solutions, LLC (“YKTG Solutions”), which will support decommission work on cell tower sites across 13 states in the northeast on behalf of a major U.S. wireless provider. YKTG Solutions is owned 51% by YKTG, LLC and 49% by the Company, and YKTG Solutions is certified as a minority-based enterprise. The joint venture is governed by an operating agreement for the purpose of completing the decommission project, but the operating agreement can be expanded to include other projects upon agreement by both owners. The Company will account for its investment in YKTG Solutions using the equity-method of accounting.

For its role in the decommission project, the Company will earn a management fee from YKTG Solutions based on billings. The Company is financing the decommission project pursuant to the terms of a loan agreement between the Company and YKTG Solutions by providing a revolving line of credit. The line of credit is for \$4.0 million and is secured by all of the assets of YKTG Solutions, YKTG, LLC and the personal guarantees by the owners of YKTG, LLC. The line of credit accrues interest at a fixed interest rate of 12% and is paid monthly. At June 30, 2016, the amount outstanding under this line of credit was \$1.6 million. The management fee encompasses any interest earned on outstanding advances under the line of credit.

In the third quarter of 2016, YKTG Solutions completed another project with a major U.S. telecommunications provider, which yielded management fees and equity income of \$38 thousand and \$0.3 million, respectively.

During the nine months ended June 30, 2016, the Company recognized management fees of \$0.2 million as other income and \$31 thousand as interest income in the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Income related to the Company’s participation in both projects and the financing provided.

The Company’s carrying value in YKTG Solutions is reflected in investment in and loans to equity method investee in the Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets. During the nine months ended June 30, 2016, the Company advanced YKTG Solutions a net of \$1.6 million and recorded a net loss from the equity method of investment of \$0.1 million, which resulted in the \$1.5 million carrying value at June 30, 2016. At June 30, 2016, the Company’s total estimate of maximum exposure to loss as a result of its relationship with YKTG Solutions was approximately \$4.0 million, which represents the Company’s equity investment and available and outstanding line of credit with this entity. To help mitigate the risks associated with funding of the decommission project, the Company has obtained credit insurance for qualifying YKTG Solutions accounts receivable outstanding arising from the decommission project. In addition, in July 2016, YKTG Solutions entered into a \$2.0 million surety payment bond whereby the Company and YKTG, LLC will be guarantors under the surety payment bond.

Note 5 – Intangible Assets

Intangible assets that have finite useful lives are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives ranging from 3 years to 10 years. The intangible assets with their associated accumulated amortization amounts at June 30, 2016 and September 30, 2015 are as follows:

| | June 30, 2016 | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| | Gross | Accumulated Amortization | Net |
| Intangible assets: | | | |
| Customer relationships – 10 years | \$4,257,000 | \$(993,296) | \$3,263,704 |
| Technology – 7 years | 1,303,000 | (434,332) | 868,668 |
| Trade name – 10 years | 1,293,000 | (301,699) | 991,301 |
| Non-compete agreements – 3 years | 254,000 | (197,553) | 56,447 |

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| Total intangible assets | \$7,107,000 | \$(1,926,880) | \$5,180,120 |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|

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| | September 30, 2015 | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| | Gross | Accumulated Amortization | Net |
| Intangible assets: | | | |
| Customer relationships – 10 years | \$4,257,000 | \$(674,023) | \$3,582,977 |
| Technology – 7 years | 1,303,000 | (294,725) | 1,008,275 |
| Trade name – 10 years | 1,293,000 | (204,724) | 1,088,276 |
| Non-compete agreements – 3 years | 254,000 | (134,055) | 119,945 |
| Total intangible assets | \$7,107,000 | \$(1,307,527) | \$5,799,473 |

Note 6 – Notes Payable and Line of Credit

Notes Payable

The Company has an Amended and Restated Revolving Credit and Term Loan Agreement (“Credit and Term Loan Agreement”) with its primary financial lender. At June 30, 2016, the Company has two term loans outstanding under the Credit and Term Loan Agreement. The first outstanding term loan has an outstanding balance of \$1.0 million at June 30, 2016 and is due on November 30, 2021, with monthly principal payments of \$15,334 plus accrued interest. The interest rate is the prevailing 30-day LIBOR rate plus 1.4% (1.87% at June 30, 2016) and is reset monthly. This term loan is collateralized by inventory, accounts receivable, equipment and fixtures and general intangibles.

The second outstanding term loan has an outstanding balance of \$3.5 million at June 30, 2016 and is due March 4, 2019, with monthly principal and interest payments of \$68,505, with the balance due at maturity. It is a five year term loan with a seven year amortization payment schedule with a fixed interest rate of 4.07%. This term loan is collateralized by inventory, accounts receivable, equipment and fixtures and general intangibles.

Line of Credit

The Company has a \$7.0 million Revolving Line of Credit (“Line of Credit”) under the Credit and Term Loan Agreement. At June 30, 2016, the Company had no balance outstanding under the Line of Credit. The Line of Credit requires quarterly interest payments based on the prevailing 30-day LIBOR rate plus 2.75% (3.24% at June 30, 2016), and the interest rate is reset monthly. Any future borrowings under the Line of Credit are due on March 31, 2017. Future borrowings under the Line of Credit are limited to the lesser of \$7.0 million or the net balance of 80% of qualified accounts receivable plus 50% of qualified inventory. Under these limitations, the Company’s total available Line of Credit borrowing base was \$7.0 million at June 30, 2016. Among other financial covenants, the Line of Credit agreement provides that the Company maintain a fixed charge ratio of coverage (EBITDA to total fixed charges) of not less than 1.25 to 1.0, determined quarterly. The Line of Credit is collateralized by inventory, accounts receivable, equipment and fixtures and general intangibles.

Fair Value of Debt

FASB ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, defines fair value, establishes a consistent framework for measuring fair value and establishes a fair value hierarchy based on the observability of inputs used to measure fair value. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 – Quoted prices for identical assets in active markets or liabilities that we have the ability to access. Active markets are those in which transactions for the asset or liability occur in sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

Level 2 – Inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets included in Level 1 that are either directly or indirectly observable. These inputs are either directly observable in the marketplace or indirectly observable through corroboration with market data for substantially the full contractual term of the asset or liability being measured.

Level 3 – Inputs that are not observable for which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability being measured. These inputs reflect management’s best estimate of the assumptions market participants would use in determining fair value.

The Company has determined the carrying value of its variable-rate term loan approximates its fair value since the interest rate fluctuates periodically based on a floating interest rate.

The Company has determined the fair value of its fixed-rate term loan utilizing the Level 2 hierarchy as the fair value can be estimated from broker quotes corroborated by other market data. These broker quotes are based on observable market interest rates at which loans with similar terms and maturities could currently be executed. The Company then estimated the fair value of the fixed-rate term loan using cash flows discounted at the current market interest rate obtained. The fair value of the Company’s fixed rate loan was \$3.5 million as of June 30, 2016.

Note 7 – Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share are based on the sum of the average number of common shares outstanding and issuable, restricted and deferred shares. Diluted earnings per share include any dilutive effect of stock options and restricted stock. In computing the diluted weighted average shares, the average share price for the period is used in determining the number of shares assumed to be reacquired under the treasury stock method from the exercise of options.

Basic and diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 are:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|-----------------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| | 2016 | 2015 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Net income attributable to common shareholders | \$316,086 | \$637,134 | \$485,710 | \$1,287,312 |
| Basic weighted average shares | 10,134,235 | 10,073,121 | 10,098,564 | 10,055,390 |
| Effect of dilutive securities: | | | | |
| Stock options | 1,372 | – | 4,490 | – |
| Diluted weighted average shares | 10,135,607 | 10,073,121 | 10,103,054 | 10,055,390 |
| Earnings per common share: | | | | |
| Basic | \$0.03 | \$0.06 | \$0.05 | \$0.13 |
| Diluted | \$0.03 | \$0.06 | \$0.05 | \$0.13 |

The table below includes information related to stock options that were outstanding at the end of each respective three and nine month periods ended June 30, but have been excluded from the computation of weighted-average stock options for dilutive securities due to the option exercise price exceeding the average market price per share of our common stock for the three and nine months ended June 30, or their effect would be anti-dilutive.

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|-----------------------------|---------|----------------------------|---------|
| | 2016 | 2015 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Stock options excluded | 520,000 | 545,000 | 520,000 | 545,000 |
| Weighted average exercise price of stock options | \$2.83 | \$2.91 | \$2.83 | \$2.91 |
| Average market price of common stock | \$1.80 | \$2.37 | \$1.92 | \$2.41 |

Note 8 – Stock Option Plan

Plan Information

The 2015 Incentive Stock Plan (the “Plan”) provides for awards of stock options and restricted stock to officers, directors, key employees and consultants. Under the Plan, option prices will be set by the Compensation Committee and may not be less than the fair market value of the stock on the grant date.

At June 30, 2016, 1,100,415 shares of common stock were reserved for stock award grants under the Plan. Of these reserved shares, 434,211 shares were available for future grants.

Stock Options

All share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, are recognized in the financial statements based on their grant date fair value over the requisite service period. Compensation expense for share-based awards is included in the operating, selling, general and administrative expense section of the Company’s consolidated condensed statements of income.

Stock options are valued at the date of the award, which does not precede the approval date, and compensation cost is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period. Stock options granted to employees generally become exercisable over a three, four or five-year period from the date of grant and generally expire ten years after the date of grant. Stock options granted to the Board of Directors generally become exercisable on the date of grant and generally expire ten years after the grant.

A summary of the status of the Company's stock options at June 30, 2016 and changes during the nine months then ended is presented below:

| | Shares | Wtd. Avg. Ex. Price |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Outstanding at September 30, 2015 | 535,000 | \$2.88 |
| Granted | 50,000 | 1.75 |
| Exercised | – | – |
| Expired | (10,000) | 5.78 |
| Forfeited | (5,000) | 3.00 |
| Outstanding at June 30, 2016 | 570,000 | \$2.73 |
| Exercisable at June 30, 2016 | 403,334 | \$2.81 |

The Company granted nonqualified stock options of 50,000 shares for the nine months ended June 30, 2016. The Company estimates the fair value of the options granted using the Black-Scholes option valuation model. The Company estimates the expected term of options granted based on the historical grants and exercises of the Company’s options. The Company estimates the volatility of its common stock at the date of the grant based on both the historical volatility as well as the implied volatility on its common stock. The Company bases the risk-free rate that is used in the Black-Scholes option valuation model on the implied yield in effect at the time of the option grant on U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with equivalent expected term. The Company has never paid cash dividends on its common stock and does not anticipate paying cash dividends in the foreseeable future. Consequently, the Company uses an expected dividend yield of zero in the Black-Scholes option valuation model. The Company amortizes the resulting fair value of the options ratably over the vesting period of the awards. The Company uses historical data to estimate the pre-vesting option forfeitures and records share-based expense only for those awards that are expected to

vest.

The estimated fair value at date of grant for stock options utilizing the Black-Scholes option valuation model and the assumptions that were used in the Black-Scholes option valuation model for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 are as follows:

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|---|---|
| | Nine Months Ended June 30, 2016 |
| Estimated fair value of options at grant date | \$34,350 |
| Black-Scholes model assumptions: | |
| Average expected life (years) | 6 |
| Average expected volatility factor | 38 % |
| Average risk-free interest rate | 1.75 % |
| Average expected dividends yield | — |

Compensation expense related to unvested stock options recorded for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 is as follows:

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| | Nine Months Ended June 30, 2016 |
| Fiscal year 2012 grant | \$13,062 |
| Fiscal year 2014 grant | \$35,641 |
| Fiscal year 2016 grant | \$3,498 |

The Company records compensation expense over the vesting term of the related options. At June 30, 2016, compensation costs related to these unvested stock options not yet recognized in the consolidated condensed statements of income was \$66,020.

Restricted Stock

The Company granted restricted stock in March 2016 to its Board of Directors and a Company officer totaling 62,874 shares, which were valued at market value on the date of grant. The shares are being held by the Company for 12 months and will be delivered to the directors at the end of the 12 month holding period. The fair value of these shares at issuance totaled \$105,000, which is being amortized over the 12 month holding period as compensation expense. The Company granted restricted stock in December 2015 and October 2015 to two new Directors totaling 3,333 and 4,465 shares, respectively which were valued at market value on the date of the grants. The holding restriction on these shares expired the first week of March 2016. The fair value of the shares issued December 2015 and October 2015 totaled \$7,500 and \$10,000, respectively and was amortized over the holding period as compensation expense. The Company granted restricted stock in April 2014 to certain employees totaling 23,676 shares, which were valued at market value on the date of grant. The shares have a holding restriction, which will expire in equal annual installments of 7,892 shares over three years starting in April 2015. The fair value of these shares upon issuance totaled \$76,000 and is being amortized over the respective one, two and three year holding periods as compensation expense. The unamortized portion of the restricted stock is included in prepaid expenses on the Company's consolidated condensed balance sheets.

Note 9 – Segment Reporting

The Company is reporting its financial performance based on its external reporting segments: Cable Television and Telecommunications. These reportable segments are described below.

Cable Television (“Cable TV”)

The Company’s Cable TV segment sells new, surplus and re-manufactured cable television equipment throughout North America, Central America, South America and, to a substantially lesser extent, other international regions that utilize the same technology. In addition, this segment also repairs cable television equipment for various cable companies.

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Telecommunications (“Telco”)

The Company’s Telco segment primarily sells certified used telecommunications networking equipment from a broad range of manufacturers to customers primarily in North America. In addition, this segment is a reseller of new telecommunications equipment from certain manufacturers. Also, this segment offers its customers decommissioning services for surplus and obsolete equipment, which it in turn processes through its recycling services.

The Company evaluates performance and allocates its resources based on operating income. The accounting policies of its reportable segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies.

Segment assets consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, inventory, property and equipment, goodwill and intangible assets.

| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | June 30, | June 30, | June 30, | June 30, |
| | 2016 | 2015 | 2016 | 2015 |
| Sales | | | | |
| Cable TV | \$5,942,856 | \$6,752,224 | \$16,966,744 | \$19,377,515 |
| Telco | 4,134,665 | 5,235,317 | 12,053,568 | 15,085,388 |
| Intercompany | (17,279) | (85,150) | (123,215) | (356,815) |
| Total sales | \$10,060,242 | \$11,902,391 | \$28,897,097 | \$34,106,088 |
| Gross profit | | | | |
| Cable TV | | \$2,126,744 | \$2,367,221 | \$5,612,691 |
| Telco | | 1,339,407 | 1,777,386 | 4,203,452 |
| Total gross profit | | \$3,466,151 | \$4,144,607 | \$9,816,143 |
| Income (loss) from operations | | | | |
| Cable TV | | \$528,651 | \$846,372 | \$981,770 |
| Telco | | (124,788) | 95,833 | (152,943) |
| Total income from operations | | \$403,863 | \$942,205 | \$828,827 |

| | June 30, | September |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2016 | 30, |
| | | 2015 |
| Segment assets | | |
| Cable TV | \$25,356,102 | \$26,494,430 |
| Telco | 16,916,218 | 17,094,713 |
| Non-allocated | 9,385,712 | 8,383,913 |
| Total assets | \$51,658,032 | \$51,973,056 |

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.
Special Note on Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A"), other than purely historical information, including estimates, projections, statements relating to our business plans, objectives and expected operating results, and the assumptions upon which those statements are based, are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). These forward-looking statements generally are identified by the words "estimates," "projects," "believes," "plans," "intends," "will likely result," and similar expressions. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and assumptions that are subject to risks and uncertainties which may cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. These statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and developments beyond our control or foresight, including changes in the trends of the cable television industry, changes in the trends of the telecommunications industry, changes in our supplier agreements, technological developments, changes in the economic environment generally, the growth or formation of competitors, changes in governmental regulation or taxation, changes in our personnel and other such factors. Our actual results, performance or achievements may differ significantly from the results, performance or achievement expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements. We do not undertake any obligation to publicly release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this report or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Overview

The following MD&A is intended to help the reader understand the results of operations, financial condition, and cash flows of the Company. MD&A is provided as a supplement to, and should be read in conjunction with the information presented elsewhere in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q and with the information presented in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2015, which includes our audited consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

The Company is reporting its financial performance based on its external reporting segments: Cable Television and Telecommunications. These reportable segments are described below.

Cable Television ("Cable TV")

The Company's Cable TV segment sells new, surplus and re-manufactured cable television equipment throughout North America, Central America and South America and, to a substantially lesser extent, other international regions that utilize the same technology. In addition, this segment also repairs cable television equipment for various cable companies.

Telecommunications ("Telco")

The Company's Telco segment sells certified used telecommunications networking equipment from a broad range of manufacturers primarily in North America. In addition, this segment is a reseller of new telecommunications equipment from certain manufacturers. Also, this segment offers its customers decommissioning services for surplus and obsolete equipment, which it then processes through its recycling program.

Recent Business Developments

Investment in YKTG Solutions, LLC ("YKTG Solutions")

On March 10, 2016, the Company announced that it entered into a joint venture, YKTG Solutions, which will support decommission work on cell tower sites across 13 states in the northeast on behalf of a major U.S. wireless provider. YKTG Solutions is owned 51% by YKTG, LLC and 49% by ADDvantage Technologies Group, and YTKG Solutions has been certified as a minority-based enterprise. The joint venture is governed by an operating agreement for the purpose of completing the decommission project, but the operating agreement can be expanded to include other projects upon agreement by both owners.

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For its role in the decommission project, the Company will earn a management fee from YKTG Solutions based on billings. The Company is financing the decommission project pursuant to the terms of a loan agreement between the Company and YKTG Solutions by providing a revolving line of credit. The management fee encompasses any interest earned on outstanding advances under the loan agreement. The Company anticipates that this project will be completed in our third quarter of 2017, and estimates that this project will generate a total of approximately \$1 million in pretax income over the life of the project.

In the third quarter of 2016, YKTG Solutions completed another project with a major U.S. telecommunications provider, which generated management fees to the Company of \$38 thousand and equity earnings of \$0.3 million.

For the nine months ended June 30, 2016, the Company recognized management fees of \$0.2 million as other income and \$31 thousand as interest income from our participation in the projects and financing provided. In addition, the Company recognized income from the equity method investment of \$0.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 and a loss of \$0.1 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 for its role in YKTG Solutions.

Results of Operations

Comparison of Results of Operations for the Three Months Ended June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015

Consolidated

Consolidated sales decreased \$1.8 million, or 15%, to \$10.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 from \$11.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015. The decrease in sales was due to a decrease in sales from both the Cable TV and Telco segments of \$0.8 million and \$1.1 million, respectively. Consolidated gross profit decreased \$0.6 million, or 16%, to \$3.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 from \$4.1 million for the same period last year. The decrease in gross profit was due to a decrease in gross profit from both the Cable TV and Telco segments of \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million, respectively.

Consolidated operating, selling, general and administrative expenses include all personnel costs, which include fringe benefits, insurance and business taxes, as well as occupancy, communication and professional services, among other less significant cost categories. Operating, selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$0.1 million, or 4%, to \$3.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 from \$3.2 million for the same period last year. This decrease in expenses was due to a decrease in the Telco segment of \$0.2 million, partially offset by an increase in the Cable TV segment of \$0.1 million.

Other income (expense) consists of activity related to our investment in YKTG Solutions, including other income, interest income and equity earnings (losses), and interest expense related to our notes payable. Other income, which is our fee for our role in the YKTG Solutions projects, for the three months ended June 30, 2016 was \$0.1 million. Equity income for the three months ended June 30, 2016 was \$0.1 million. Interest expense remained relatively flat at \$0.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 compared to the same period last year.

The provision for income taxes was \$0.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016, or an effective rate of 38%, compared to income taxes of \$0.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015, or an effective rate of 27%.

Segment Results

Cable TV

Sales for the Cable TV segment decreased \$0.8 million to \$5.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 from \$6.7 million for the same period last year. The decrease in sales was due primarily to a decrease in new equipment sales of \$0.9 million, partially offset by an increase in repairs revenue of \$0.1 million. Gross margin was 36% for the

three months ended June 30, 2016 and 35% for the same period last year.

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Operating, selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$0.1 million to \$1.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 from \$1.5 million for the same period last year. The increase was due primarily to increased personnel costs primarily related to the acquisition of the net operating assets of Advantage Solutions, LLC.

Telco

Sales for the Telco segment decreased \$1.1 million to \$4.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 from \$5.2 million for the same period last year. The decrease in sales primarily resulted from a decrease in used equipment sales of \$1.8 million, partially offset by an increase in new equipment sales and recycling revenue of \$0.3 and \$0.4 million, respectively. The decrease in used equipment sales was due primarily to the absence of \$0.8 million in equipment sales to an end-user customer in the third quarter of 2015. Gross margin was 32% for the three months ended June 30, 2016 and 33% for the same period last year.

Operating, selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$0.2 million to \$1.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 from \$1.7 million for the same period last year. The decrease in expenses was due to decreased expenses related to the earn-out payments resulting from the Nave Communications acquisition of \$0.1 million and decreased personnel costs of \$0.1 million.

Comparison of Results of Operations for the Nine Months Ended June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015

Consolidated

Consolidated sales decreased \$5.2 million, or 15%, to \$28.9 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 from \$34.1 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015. The decrease in sales was in both the Cable TV and Telco segments of \$2.4 million and \$3.0 million, respectively. Consolidated gross profit decreased \$2.4 million, or 20%, to \$9.8 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 from \$12.2 million for the same period last year. The decrease in gross profit was in both the Cable TV and Telco segment of \$0.6 million and \$1.8 million, respectively.

Consolidated operating, selling, general and administrative expenses include all personnel costs, which include fringe benefits, insurance and business taxes, as well as occupancy, communication and professional services, among other less significant cost categories. Operating, selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$1.1 million, or 11%, to \$9.0 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 from \$10.1 million for the same period last year. This decrease in expenses was primarily due to the Telco segment of \$1.4 million, partially offset by an increase in expenses of \$0.3 million from the Cable TV segment.

Other income and expense consists of activity related to our investment in YKTG Solutions, including other income, interest income and equity earnings (losses), and interest expense related to our notes payable. Other income, which is our fee for our role in the YKTG Solutions projects, for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 was \$0.2 million. Equity losses for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 were \$0.1 million. Interest expense decreased \$52 thousand to \$184 thousand for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 from \$236 thousand for the same period last year.

The provision for income taxes was \$0.3 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016, or an effective rate of 38%, from a provision for income taxes of \$0.6 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015, or an effective rate of 32%.

Segment Results

Cable TV

Sales for the Cable TV segment decreased \$2.4 million to \$17.0 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 from \$19.4 million for the same period last year. The decrease in sales was due primarily to a decrease in new equipment sales of \$3.2 million, partially offset by an increase of \$0.4 million in both refurbished equipment sales and repairs

revenue. The decline in equipment sales for the Cable TV segment primarily occurred in the first quarter of fiscal year 2016. The Cable TV segment has experienced declining equipment sales over the past several years for the products we traditionally carry due to the continued consolidation of the cable television operators and fewer upgrades of the cable television networks and plant expansions. For the first quarter of fiscal year 2016, our equipment sales

decreased to their lowest level during this downturn. However, we believe some of the decrease in sales was due to uncertainties caused by pending merger activities. In the second and third quarters of fiscal year 2016, we saw our equipment sales increase back to similar levels we experienced last year. Gross margin was 33% for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 and 32% for the same period last year.

Operating, selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$0.2 million to \$4.6 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 from \$4.4 million for the same period last year. The increase was due primarily to increased personnel costs primarily related to the acquisition of the net operating assets of Advantage Solutions, LLC.

Telco

Sales for the Telco segment decreased \$3.0 million to \$12.1 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 from \$15.1 million for the same period last year. The decrease in sales resulted from a decrease in used equipment sales of \$4.4 million, partially offset by new equipment sales and recycling revenue increases of \$0.9 million and \$0.5 million, respectively. The decrease in sales was due primarily to the absence of \$2.3 million in equipment sales to an end-user customer in the second and third quarters of 2015. In addition, in the first quarter of fiscal year 2016, we believe that the decreased sales volume was due largely to delays in capital expenditures from our major customers due to weak economic conditions and budgetary constraints. Sales for the Telco segment did increase in the second and third quarters of fiscal year 2016 as compared to the first quarter as we saw these conditions improve. Gross margin was 35% for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 and 40% for the same period last year. The decrease in gross margin was due primarily to decreased margins from recycling revenue resulting from lower commodity prices.

Operating, selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$1.4 million to \$4.3 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 from \$5.7 million for the same period last year. The decrease in expenses was due primarily to decreased expenses related to the earn-out payments resulting primarily from the Nave Communications acquisition of \$0.9 million and decreased personnel costs of \$0.3 million. In March 2016, we made our second annual earn-out payment for \$0.2 million, which was equal to 70% of Nave Communications' annual adjusted EBITDA in excess of \$2.0 million per year ("Nave Earn-out"). We will make the third and final Nave Earn-out payment in March 2017, which we estimate will be between \$0.3 million and \$1.0 million.

Non-GAAP Financial Measure

EBITDA is a supplemental, non-GAAP financial measure. EBITDA is defined as earnings before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. In addition, EBITDA as presented excludes other income, interest income and income from equity method investment. EBITDA is presented below because this metric is used by the financial community as a method of measuring our financial performance and of evaluating the market value of companies considered to be in similar businesses. Since EBITDA is not a measure of performance calculated in accordance with GAAP, it should not be considered in isolation of, or as a substitute for, net earnings as an indicator of operating performance. EBITDA, as calculated below, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures employed by other companies. In addition, EBITDA is not necessarily a measure of our ability to fund our cash needs.

A reconciliation by segment of income (loss) from operations to EBITDA follows:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, 2016 | | | Three Months Ended June 30, 2015 | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| | Cable TV | Telco | Total | Cable TV | Telco | Total |
| Income (loss) from operations | \$528,651 | \$(124,788) | \$403,863 | \$846,372 | \$95,833 | \$942,205 |
| Depreciation | 84,152 | 24,902 | 109,054 | 72,909 | 27,795 | 100,704 |

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|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Amortization | - | 206,451 | 206,451 | - | 206,451 | 206,451 |
| EBITDA (a) | \$612,803 | \$106,565 | \$719,368 | \$919,281 | \$330,079 | \$1,249,360 |

(a) The Telco segment includes earn-out expenses of zero and \$0.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, related to the acquisition of Nave Communications.

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| | Nine Months Ended June 30, 2016 | | | Nine Months Ended June 30, 2015 | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Cable TV | Telco | Total | Cable TV | Telco | Total |
| Income (loss) from operations | \$981,770 | \$(152,943) | \$828,827 | \$1,813,022 | \$325,884 | \$2,138,906 |
| Depreciation | 237,418 | 74,985 | 312,403 | 214,622 | 84,969 | 299,591 |
| Amortization | – | 619,353 | 619,353 | – | 619,354 | 619,354 |
| EBITDA (a) | \$1,219,188 | \$541,395 | \$1,760,583 | \$2,027,644 | \$1,030,207 | \$3,057,851 |

(a) The Telco segment includes earn-out expenses of zero and \$0.8 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, related to the acquisition of Nave Communications.

Critical Accounting Policies

Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in Form 10-K for fiscal 2015 includes a summary of the significant accounting policies or methods used in the preparation of our Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements. Some of those significant accounting policies or methods require us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported by us. We believe the following items require the most significant judgments and often involve complex estimates.

General

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. We base our estimates and judgments on historical experience, current market conditions, and various other factors we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results could differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. The most significant estimates and assumptions relate to the carrying value of our inventory and, to a lesser extent, the adequacy of our allowance for doubtful accounts.

Inventory Valuation

Our position in the industry requires us to carry large inventory quantities relative to annual sales, but it also allows us to realize high overall gross profit margins on our sales. We market our products primarily to MSOs, telecommunication providers and other users of cable television and telecommunication equipment who are seeking products for which manufacturers have discontinued production or cannot ship new equipment on a same-day basis as well as providing used products as an alternative to new products from the manufacturer. Carrying these large inventory quantities represents our largest risk.

We are required to make judgments as to future demand requirements from our customers. We regularly review the value of our inventory in detail with consideration given to rapidly changing technology which can significantly affect future customer demand. For individual inventory items, we may carry inventory quantities that are excessive relative to market potential, or we may not be able to recover our acquisition costs for sales that we do make. In order to address the risks associated with our investment in inventory, we review inventory quantities on hand and reduce the carrying value when the loss of usefulness of an item or other factors, such as obsolete and excess inventories, indicate that cost will not be recovered when an item is sold.

Our inventories consist of new and used electronic components for the cable television industry. Inventory is stated at the lower of cost and net realizable value, with cost determined using the weighted-average method. Net realizable

value is the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal, and transportation. At June 30, 2016, we had total inventory, before the reserve for excess and obsolete inventory, of \$24.9 million, consisting of \$14.9 million in new products and \$10.0 million in used or refurbished products.

For the Cable TV segment, our reserve at June 30, 2016 for excess and obsolete inventory was \$3.2 million, which reflects an increase of approximately \$0.5 million to reflect deterioration in the market demand of that inventory. If actual market conditions are less favorable than those projected by management, and our estimates prove to be inaccurate, we could be required to increase our inventory reserve and our gross margins could be materially adversely affected.

For the Telco segment, we do not maintain an inventory reserve as we recycle any surplus and obsolete equipment on hand through our recycling program when it is identified.

Inbound freight charges are included in cost of sales. Purchasing and receiving costs, inspection costs, warehousing costs, internal transfer costs and other inventory expenditures are included in operating expenses, since the amounts involved are not considered material.

Accounts Receivable Valuation

Management judgments and estimates are made in connection with establishing the allowance for doubtful accounts. Specifically, we analyze the aging of accounts receivable balances, historical bad debts, customer concentrations, customer credit-worthiness, current economic trends and changes in our customer payment terms. Significant changes in customer concentration or payment terms, deterioration of customer credit-worthiness, or weakening in economic trends could have a significant impact on the collectability of receivables and our operating results. If the financial condition of our customers were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, an additional provision to the allowance for doubtful accounts may be required. The reserve for bad debts was approximately \$0.3 million at June 30, 2016 and September 30, 2015. At June 30, 2016, accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts, was \$5.8 million.

Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of purchase price of acquisitions over the acquisition date fair value of the net assets of businesses acquired. Goodwill is not amortized and is tested at least annually for impairment. We perform our annual analysis during the fourth quarter of each fiscal year and in any other period in which indicators of impairment warrant additional analysis. Goodwill is evaluated for impairment by first comparing our estimate of the fair value of each reporting unit, or operating segment, with the reporting unit's carrying value, including goodwill. Our reporting units for purposes of the goodwill impairment calculation are the Cable TV operating segment and the Telco operating segment.

Management utilizes a discounted cash flow analysis to determine the estimated fair value of each reporting unit. Significant judgments and assumptions including the discount rate and anticipated revenue growth rate, gross margins and operating expenses are inherent in these fair value estimates, which are based on historical operating results. As a result, actual results may differ from the estimates utilized in our discounted cash flow analysis. The use of alternate judgments and/or assumptions could result in the recognition of different levels of impairment charges in the financial statements. If the carrying value of one of the reporting units exceeds its fair value, a computation of the implied fair value of goodwill would then be compared to its related carrying value. If the carrying value of the reporting unit's goodwill exceeds the implied fair value of goodwill, an impairment loss would be recognized in the amount of the excess. If an impairment charge is incurred, it would negatively impact our results of operations and financial position.

We performed our annual impairment test for both reporting units in the fourth quarter of 2015 and determined that the fair value of our reporting units exceeded their carrying values. Therefore, no impairment existed as of September 30, 2015.

We did not record a goodwill impairment for either of our two reporting units in the three year period ended September 30, 2015. Although we do not anticipate a future impairment charge, certain events could occur that might adversely affect the reported value of goodwill. Such events could include, but are not limited to, economic or competitive conditions, a significant change in technology, the economic condition of the customers and industries we serve, a significant decline in the real estate markets we operate in, and a material negative change in the relationships with one or more of our significant customers or equipment suppliers. If our judgments and assumptions change as a result

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of the occurrence of any of these events or other events that we do not currently anticipate, our expectations as to future results and our estimate of the implied value of each reporting unit also may change.

Intangibles

Intangible assets that have finite useful lives are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives ranging from 3 years to 10 years.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Company reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset's carrying amount may not be recoverable. The Company conducts its long-lived asset impairment analyses in accordance with ASC 360-10-15, "Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets." ASC 360-10-15 requires the Company to group assets and liabilities at the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are largely independent of the cash flows of other assets and liabilities and evaluate the asset group against the sum of the undiscounted future cash flows. If the undiscounted cash flows do not indicate the carrying amount of the asset is recoverable, an impairment charge is measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset group exceeds its fair value based on discounted cash flow analysis or appraisals.

In the third fiscal quarter of 2016, we concluded that there was a triggering event requiring assessment of impairment for certain of our intangible assets in connection with a new operating system implemented in our Telco segment. The new operating system in our Telco segment enhanced the functionality of the overall software system and decreased reliance upon a former employee maintaining the predecessor system. We did not record an impairment charge against the technology intangible asset as we determined that the carrying amount of the asset group did not exceed the sum of the undiscounted cash flows for the asset group.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash Flows Provided by Operating Activities

We finance our operations primarily through operations and a revolving line of credit of up to \$7.0 million. During the nine months ended June 30, 2016, we generated \$2.7 million of cash flow from operations. The cash flow from operations was favorably impacted by \$1.5 million from a net decrease in inventory primarily from the Cable TV segment and by \$0.6 million from a net increase in accounts payable due primarily to timing of inventory purchases. The cash flow from operations was unfavorably impacted by \$1.4 million from an increase in accounts receivable.

In March 2016, we paid \$0.2 million for the second of three annual earn-out payments. The earn-out is equal to 70% of Nave Communications adjusted EBITDA earnings in excess of \$2.0 million for the twelve month period beginning March 1 each year. We estimate the final remaining annual payment will be between \$0.3 million and \$1.0 million.

Cash Flows Used for Investing Activities

In March 2016, we paid \$1.0 million for the second of three annual installment payments to the Nave Communications owners for deferred consideration resulting from the Nave Communications acquisition. The deferred consideration, which consists of \$3.0 million to be paid in equal annual installments over the three years, is recorded at its present value of \$1.0 million at June 30, 2016.

On December 31, 2015, we acquired the net operating assets of a business for \$0.2 million. The acquisition is discussed in Note 2 of the Notes to the Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

During the nine months ended June 30, 2016, we funded YKTG Solutions, pursuant to a revolving line of credit between the Company and YKTG Solutions, for \$1.6 million. We plan to fund future advances to YKTG Solutions utilizing our cash flows from operations or our revolving line of credit. The investment in YKTG Solutions is discussed in Note 4 of the Notes to the Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Cash Flows Used for Financing Activities

During the nine months ended June 30, 2016, we made principal payments of \$0.7 million on our two term loans under our Credit and Term Loan Agreement with our primary lender. The first term loan requires monthly payments of \$15,334 plus accrued interest through November 2021. Our second term loan is a five year term loan with a seven year amortization payment schedule with monthly principal and interest payments of \$68,505 through March 2019.

At June 30, 2016, there was not a balance outstanding under our line of credit. The lesser of \$7.0 million or the total of 80% of the qualified accounts receivable plus 50% of qualified inventory is available to us under the revolving credit facility (\$7.0 million at June 30, 2016). Any future borrowings under the revolving credit facility are due at maturity.

We believe that our cash and cash equivalents of \$5.1 million at June 30, 2016, cash flow from operations and our existing line of credit provide sufficient liquidity and capital resources to meet our working capital and debt payment needs.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure the information we are required to disclose in the reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Based on their evaluation as of June 30, 2016, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to accomplish their objectives and to ensure the information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 6. Exhibits.

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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.

ADVANTAGE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.
(Registrant)

Date: August 9, 2016
David L. Humphrey,
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ David L. Humphrey

Date: August 9, 2016
Scott A. Francis,
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

/s/ Scott A. Francis

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