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UNITED STATES<br>SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION<br>Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q
(Mark One)
bQUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2009

## OR

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

For the transition period from $\qquad$ to $\qquad$
Commission file number: 000-26427

Stamps.com Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

77-0454966
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

12959 Coral Tree Place
Los Angeles, California 90066
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)
(310) 482-5800
(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 p 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 (§ 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 definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting
company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):
Large accelerated filer o
Non-accelerated filer o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Accelerated filer p
Smaller reporting company o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes - No p

As of April 30, 2009, there were approximately 16,302,000 shares of the Registrant's Common Stock issued and outstanding.

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## PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STAMPS.COM INC.<br>BALANCE SHEETS<br>(In thousands, except per share data)



The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## STAMPS.COM INC. <br> STATEMENTS OF INCOME

## (In thousands, except per share data) <br> (Unaudited)

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  |
| Revenues: |  |  |  |  |
| Service | \$ | 15,314 | \$ | 15,197 |
| Product |  | 2,617 |  | 2,483 |
| Insurance |  | 404 |  | 388 |
| PhotoStamps |  | 1,713 |  | 3,004 |
| Total revenues |  | 20,048 |  | 21,072 |
| Cost of revenues: |  |  |  |  |
| Service |  | 3,008 |  | 2,742 |
| Product |  | 945 |  | 880 |
| Insurance |  | 125 |  | 120 |
| PhotoStamps |  | 1,300 |  | 2,127 |
| Total cost of revenues |  | 5,378 |  | 5,869 |
| Gross profit |  | 14,670 |  | 15,203 |
| Operating expenses: |  |  |  |  |
| Sales and marketing |  | 8,064 |  | 8,623 |
| Research and development |  | 2,227 |  | 1,943 |
| General and administrative |  | 3,264 |  | 3,943 |
| Total operating expenses |  | 13,555 |  | 14,509 |
| Income from operations |  | 1,115 |  | 694 |
| Other income: |  |  |  |  |
| Interest income |  | 357 |  | 917 |
| Other income |  |  |  | 21 |
| Total other income |  | 357 |  | 938 |
| Income before income taxes |  | 1,472 |  | 1,632 |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes |  | 250 |  | $(3,566)$ |
| Net income | \$ | 1,222 | \$ | 5,198 |
| Net income per share |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | 0.07 | \$ | 0.26 |
| Diluted | \$ | 0.07 | \$ | 0.26 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding |  |  |  |  |
| Basic |  | 16,864 |  | 19,723 |
| Diluted |  | 16,992 |  | 19,950 |

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## STAMPS.COM INC.

## STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  |
| Operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ | 1,222 | \$ | 5,198 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 326 |  | 722 |
| Stock-based compensation expense |  | 793 |  | 779 |
| Deferred income tax |  | - |  | $(3,671)$ |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| Trade accounts receivable |  | 291 |  | (86) |
| Other accounts receivable |  | 529 |  | 763 |
| Other current assets |  | 571 |  | 300 |
| Other assets |  | (220) |  | (359) |
| Deferred revenue |  | (160) |  | (196) |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses |  | (166) |  | 864 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities |  | 3,186 |  | 4,314 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Investing activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Sale of short-term investments |  | 9,315 |  | 13,736 |
| Purchase of short-term investments |  | - |  | $(15,014)$ |
| Sale of long-term investments |  | 214 |  | 9,297 |
| Purchase of long-term investments |  | $(14,983)$ |  |  |
| Acquisition of property and equipment |  | (94) |  | (186) |
| Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities |  | $(5,548)$ |  | 7,833 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Financing activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options |  | 1 |  |  |
| Issuance of common stock under ESPP |  | 143 |  | 168 |
| Repurchase of common stock |  | $(6,878)$ |  | $(4,500)$ |
| Net cash used in financing activities |  | $(6,734)$ |  | $(4,332)$ |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents |  | $(9,096)$ |  | 7,815 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period |  | 52,576 |  | 43,667 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ | 43,480 | \$ | 51,482 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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# STAMPS.COM <br> NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (ALL INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO MARCH 31, 2009 AND 2008 IS UNAUDITED) 

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## Basis of Presentation

We prepared the financial statements included herein without audit pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with United States ("US") generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. We believe that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. We recommend that these financial statements be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes thereto included in our latest annual report on Form 10-K.

In our opinion, these unaudited financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly our financial position as of March 31, 2009, the results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2009. The results of operations for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2009.

## Use of Estimates and Risk Management

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US generally accepted accounting principles requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and the accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates, and such differences may be material to the financial statements. Examples include estimates of loss contingencies, promotional coupon redemptions, deferred income taxes and estimates regarding the useful lives of patents and other amortizable intangibles.

We are involved in various litigation matters as a claimant and a defendant. We record any amounts recovered in these matters when received. We record liabilities for claims against us when the loss is probable and estimable. Amounts recorded are based on reviews by outside counsel, in-house counsel and management. Actual results could differ from estimates.

## Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue from product sales or services rendered, as well as from licensing the use of our software and intellectual property, when the following four revenue recognition criteria are met: persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred or services have been rendered, the selling price is fixed or determinable, and collectability is reasonably assured.

Service revenue is based on monthly convenience fees and is recognized in the period that services are provided. Product sales, net of return allowances, are recorded when the products are shipped and title passes to customers. Sales of our products, including PhotoStamps, to customers are made pursuant to a sales contract that provides for transfer of both title and risk of loss upon our delivery to the carrier. Return allowances for expected product returns, which reduce product revenue by our best estimate of expected product returns, are estimated using historical experience. Commissions from the advertising or sale of products by a third party vendor to our customer base are recognized when the revenue is earned and collection is deemed probable.

Customers who purchase postage for use through our NetStamps, shipping label or mailing features, pay face value, and the funds are transferred directly from the customers to the United States Postal Service ("USPS"). We do not recognize revenue for this postage as it is purchased by our customers directly from the USPS. PhotoStamps revenue includes the price of postage.

On a limited basis, we allow third parties to offer products and promotions to the Stamps.com customer base. These arrangements generally provide payment in the form of a flat fee or revenue sharing arrangements where we receive payment upon customers accessing third party products and services. Total revenue from such advertising arrangements is currently immaterial.

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We provide our customers with the opportunity to purchase parcel insurance directly through our software. Insurance revenue represents the gross amount charged to the customer for purchasing insurance and the related cost represents the amount paid to the insurance broker, Parcel Insurance Plan. We recognize revenue on insurance purchases upon the ship date of the insured package.

Revenue from gift cards, which is recognized at the time of redemption, is currently immaterial to our financial statements. Because we do not yet have meaningful historical data upon which to base estimates for gift cards that will never be redeemed ("breakage"), we have not recorded any breakage income related to our gift card program.

## 2.

## Legal Proceedings

Please refer to "Part II - Other Information - Item 1 - Legal Proceedings" of this report for a discussion of our current legal proceedings.

## 3.

## Net Income per Share

Net income per share represents net income attributable to common stockholders divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during a reported period. The diluted net income per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock, including convertible preferred stock and stock options and warrants (commonly and hereafter referred to as "common stock equivalents"), were exercised or converted into common stock. Diluted net income per share is calculated by dividing net income during a reported period by the sum of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus common stock equivalents for the period. The following table reconciles share amounts utilized to calculate basic and diluted net income per share (in thousands, except per share data):

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  |
| Net income | \$ | 1,222 | \$ | 5,198 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic - weighted average common shares |  | 16,864 |  | 19,723 |
| Diluted effect of common stock equivalents |  | 128 |  | 227 |
| Diluted - weighted average common shares |  | 16,992 |  | 19,950 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Earnings per share: |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | 0.07 | \$ | 0.26 |
| Diluted | \$ | 0.07 | \$ | 0.26 |

The calculation of dilutive shares excludes the effect of the following options that are considered anti-dilutive (in thousands):

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2009 | 2008 |
| Anti-dilutive stock option shares | 2,746 | 2,332 |

# STAMPS.COM <br> NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (ALL INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO MARCH 31, 2009 AND 2008 IS UNAUDITED) 

4. 

Stock-Based Employee Compensation
We account for stock-based awards to employees and directors pursuant to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123 (revised 2004), "Share-Based Payment" ("SFAS 123R"), and related SEC rules included in Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 107. SFAS 123R requires us to estimate the fair value of share-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option-pricing model and to recognize stock-based compensation expense during each period based on the value of that portion of share-based payment awards that is ultimately expected to vest during the period, reduced for estimated forfeitures. SFAS 123R requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. Compensation expense recognized for all employee stock options granted is recognized using the straight-line single method over their respective vesting periods of three to five years.

The following table sets forth the stock-based compensation expense that we recognized under SFAS 123R for the periods indicated (in thousands):

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  |
| Stock-based compensation expense relating to: |  |  |  |  |
| Employee and director stock options | \$ | 768 | \$ | 749 |
| Employee stock purchases |  | 25 |  | 30 |
| Total stock-based compensation expense | \$ | 793 | \$ | 779 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Stock-based compensation expense relating to: |  |  |  |  |
| Cost of revenues | \$ | 71 | \$ | 75 |
| Sales and marketing |  | 191 |  | 176 |
| Research and development |  | 164 |  | 152 |
| General and administrative |  | 367 |  | 376 |
| Total stock-based compensation expense | \$ | 793 | \$ | 779 |

In our SFAS 123R calculations, we use the Black-Scholes option valuation model, which requires us to make a number of highly complex and subjective assumptions, including stock price volatility, expected term, risk-free interest rates and actual and projected employee stock option exercise behaviors. In the case of options we grant, our assumption of expected volatility was based on the historical volatility of our stock price. We base the risk-free interest rate on U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with a remaining term equal to the expected life assumed at the date of grant. The estimated expected life represents the weighted-average period the stock options are expected to remain outstanding determined based on an analysis of historical exercise behavior.

The following are the weighted average assumptions used in the Black-Scholes valuation model for the periods indicated:

|  | Three Months Ended |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| March 31, |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  |
| Expected dividend yield |  | - |  | - |


| Risk-free interest rate | $1.78 \%$ | $2.80 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Expected volatility | $53 \%$ | $51 \%$ |
| Expected life (in years) | 4.5 | 5 |
| Expected forfeiture rate | $20 \%$ | $16 \%$ |

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## 5.

Intangible Assets
Our intangible assets consist of patents, trademarks and other intellectual property with a gross carrying value of approximately $\$ 8.3$ million and accumulated amortization of approximately $\$ 7.8$ million as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008. The expected useful lives of our amortizable intangible assets range from 4 to 17 years. During 2008, we assessed whether events or changes in circumstances occurred that could potentially indicate that the carrying amount of our intangible assets may not be recoverable. We concluded that there were no such events or changes in circumstances during 2008 and determined that the fair value of our intangible assets were in excess of their carrying value as of December 31, 2008. Aggregate amortization expense on patents and trademarks was approximately $\$ 3,000$ and $\$ 270,000$ for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and March 31, 2008, respectively.

## 6.

Comprehensive Income
The following table provides the data required to calculate comprehensive income (in thousands):

|  | Three Months Ended <br> March 31, |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2009 |  | 2008 |  |
| Net income | $\$$ | 1,222 | $\$$ | 5,198 |
| Unrealized loss on investments |  | $(163)$ | $(318)$ |  |
| Comprehensive income | $\$$ | 1,059 | $\$$ | 4,880 |

7. 

Income Taxes
During the three months ended March 31, 2009, our income tax expense consisted of alternative minimum federal tax and state income tax. Our effective income tax rate differs from the statutory income tax rate primarily as a result of our use of federal net operating losses to offset current federal tax expense. A valuation allowance was originally recorded against our deferred tax assets as we determined the realization of these assets did not meet the more likely than not criteria in accordance with SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes." During the first quarter of 2008, we determined that a full valuation allowance against our deferred tax assets was not necessary and recorded a partial reversal of deferred tax valuation allowance of $\$ 3.7$ million. During the first quarter of 2009 , we have re-evaluated our future operating income projections and determined that the realization of our net deferred tax asset continue to be more likely than not. In making such determination we considered all available positive and negative evidence including our recent earnings trend and expected continued future taxable income. We continue to maintain a valuation allowance for the remainder of our deferred tax assets. In September 2008 the State of California passed a legislation temporarily suspending the use of net operating losses to offset current state income tax expense. As a result of not being able to use our state NOLs, we incurred approximately $\$ 207,000$ of additional California state income tax expense during the first quarter of 2009. During the three months ended March 31, 2009, we recorded a current tax provision for corporate alternative minimum federal taxes and state taxes of approximately $\$ 250,000$.

Under Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109", we are required to determine whether it is more likely than not that a tax position will be sustained upon examination based on the technical merits of the position. A tax position that meets the more likely than not recognition threshold is measured to determine the amount of benefit to recognize in the financial statements. We have concluded that there are no significant uncertain tax positions requiring recognition in our financial statements. Our policy is to recognize interest and penalties expense, if any, related to
unrecognized tax benefits as a component of income tax expense. As of March 31, 2009, we have not recorded any interest and penalty expense.

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8. 

Fair Value Measurements
SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurement" ("SFAS 157") defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosure for each major asset and liability category measured at fair value on either a recurring or nonrecurring basis. On January 1, 2009, we adopted FASB Financial Staff Position ("FSP") SFAS No. 157-2, "Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157" ("FSP SFAS 157-2"), which deferred the application date of the provisions of SFAS No. 157 for all nonfinancial assets and liabilities to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008 except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis. The adoption of FSP SFAS 157-2 did not have a material impact to our financial statements. The fair value hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements under SFAS 157 is as follows:

Level 1 - Valuations based on unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in an active market
Level 2 Valuations based on quoted prices in markets where trading occurs infrequently or whose values are based on - quoted prices of instruments with similar attributes in active markets

Level 3 Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and involve management judgment and our own - assumptions about market participants and pricing

The following table summarizes our financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis in accordance with SFAS 157 (in thousands):

Description
March 31, 2009

| Fair Value Measurement at Reporting Date Using |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Active Markets |  | Other |  |  |  |
|  | ntical |  | vable |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1) |  | 12) |  |  |
| \$ | 43,480 | \$ |  | \$ |  |
|  |  |  | 26,774 |  |  |
| \$ | 43,480 | \$ | 26,774 | \$ |  |

The fair value of our available-for-sale investments included in the Level 2 category is based on the market values obtained from an independent pricing service that were evaluated using pricing models that vary by asset class and may incorporate available trade, bid and other market information and price quotes from well established independent pricing vendors and broker-dealers.

## ITEM MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF 2. OPERATIONS

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 (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). These statements relate to expectations concerning matters that are not historical facts. You can find many (but not all) of these statements by looking for words such as "approximates," "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "estimates," "intends," "plans," "would," "may" or other similar expressions in this report. We claim protection of the safe harbor contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. We caution investors that any forward-looking statements presented in this report, or which we may make orally or in writing from time to time, are based on beliefs and assumptions made by, and information currently available to us. Such statements are based on assumptions and the actual outcome will be affected by known and unknown risks, trends, uncertainties and factors that are beyond our control or ability to predict. Although we believe that our assumptions are reasonable, they are not guarantees of future performance and some will inevitably prove to be incorrect. As a result, our actual future results may differ from our expectations, and those differences may be material. We are not undertaking any obligation to update any forward-looking statements. Accordingly, investors should use caution in relying on past forward-looking statements, which are based on known results and trends at the time they are made, to anticipate future results or trends.

Please refer to the risk factors under "Item 1A. Risk Factors" of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 as well as those described elsewhere in our public filings. The risks included are not exhaustive, and additional factors could adversely affect our business and financial performance. We operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risk factors emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for management to predict all such risk factors, nor can it assess the impact of all such risk factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements.

Stamps.com, NetStamps, PhotoStamps, Hidden Postage, Stamps.com Internet postage and the Stamps.com logo are our trademarks. This report also references trademarks of other entities.

## SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING PURCHASES OF MORE THAN 5\% OF OUR STOCK

We currently have federal and state net operating loss ("NOL") carry-forwards of approximately $\$ 240$ million and $\$ 150$ million, respectively, with potential value of up to $\$ 95$ million in tax savings over the next 15 years. Under Internal Revenue Code Section 382 rules, if a "change of ownership" is triggered, our NOL asset may be impaired. A change in ownership can occur whenever there is a shift in ownership by more than 50 percentage points by one or more " $5 \%$ shareholders" within a three-year period. We estimate that as of March 31, 2009 we were at approximately a $32 \%$ level compared with the $50 \%$ level that would trigger impairment of our NOL asset.

During the second quarter of 2008, we received shareholder approval to amend our articles of incorporation in order to protect our NOL asset (the "NOL Protective Measures"), and those measures are now in effect. Under the NOL Protective Measures there is no change to the way that existing Stamps.com shares are held or traded, but any person, company or investment firm that wishes to become a " $5 \%$ shareholder" of Stamps.com must first obtain a waiver from our board of directors. In addition, any person, company or investment firm that is already a " $5 \%$ shareholder" of Stamps.com cannot make any additional purchases of Stamps.com stock without a waiver from our board of directors. Full details of the NOL Protective Measures are contained in our Definitive Proxy filed with the Securities Exchange Commission on April 2, 2008.

As of April 30, 2009, we had approximately $16,302,000$ shares outstanding, and therefore ownership of approximately 815,000 shares or more would currently constitute a " $5 \%$ shareholder". We strongly urge that any stockholder
contemplating owning more than 650,000 shares contact us before doing so.
Overview
Stamps.com® is the leading provider of Internet-based postage solutions. Our customers use our service to mail and ship a variety of mail pieces, including postcards, envelopes, flats and packages, using a wide range of United States Postal Service ("USPS") mail classes including First Class Mail®, Priority Mail®, Express Mail®, Media Mail®, Parcel Post ${ }^{\circledR}$, and others. Our customers include home businesses, small businesses, corporations and individuals. We were the first ever USPS-licensed vendor to offer PC Postage ${ }^{\circledR}$ in a software-only business model in 1999.

Our Services and Products
We offer the following products and services to our customers:

## PC Postage Service

Our USPS-approved PC Postage service enables users to print "electronic stamps" directly onto envelopes, plain paper, or labels using only a standard personal computer, printer and Internet connection. Our service currently supports a variety of USPS and international mail classes. Customers can also add USPS Special Services such as Delivery ConfirmationTM, Signature ConfirmationTM, Registered Mail, Certified Mail, Insured Mail, Return Receipt, Collect on Delivery and Restricted Delivery to their mail pieces. After installing our free software and completing the registration process, customers can purchase and print postage 24 hours a day, seven days a week. When a customer purchases postage for use through our service, the customer pays face value, and the funds are transferred directly from the customer's account to the USPS's account. Currently the majority of new customers signing up for our service pay a monthly convenience fee ranging from $\$ 15.99$ to $\$ 19.99$.

Our customers can print postage (i) on NetStamps® labels, which can be used just like regular stamps, (ii) directly on envelopes or on other types of mail or labels, in a single-step process that saves time and provides a professional look, (iii) on plain $8.5 " \times 11$ " paper or on special labels for packages, and (iv) on integrated customs forms for international mail. For added convenience, our PC Postage services incorporate address verification technology that verifies each destination address for mail sent using our service against a database of all known addresses in the United States and can be integrated into common small business and productivity software applications such as word processing, contact and address management, and accounting and financial applications. We also offer several different versions of NetStamps such as Themed NetStamps and Photo NetStamps that allow customers to add stock or full custom designs to their mail while still providing the same NetStamps convenience of printing and using postage whenever it is needed.

PhotoStamps ${ }^{\circledR}$
PhotoStamps is a patented form of postage that allows consumers to turn digital photos, designs or images into valid US postage. With this product, individuals or businesses can now create customized US postage using pictures of their children, pets, vacations, celebrations, business logos and more. PhotoStamps can be used as regular postage to send letters, postcards or packages. The product is available via our separately-marketed website at www.photostamps.com. Customers upload a digital photograph or image file, customize the look and feel by choosing a border color to complement the photo, select the value of postage, and place the order online. Each sheet includes 20 individual PhotoStamps, and orders arrive via US Mail in a few business days. PhotoStamps is currently available under authorization of the USPS for its fourth phase market test, with an authorization through May 2009. We do not include our PhotoStamps business when we refer to our PC Postage business.

Mailing \& Shipping Supplies Store
Our Mailing \& Shipping Supplies Store (our "Supplies Store") is available to our customers from within our PC Postage software, and sells NetStamps labels, shipping labels, other mailing labels, dedicated postage printers, OEM and private label inkjet and laser toner cartridges, scales, and other mailing and shipping-focused office supplies. Our Supplies Store features a store catalog, same day shipping capabilities, messaging of our free or discounted shipping promotions, cross sell during checkout, product search capabilities, and expedited and rush shipping options.

Branded Insurance

We offer Stamps.com branded insurance to our customers so that they may insure their mail or packages in a fully integrated, online process that eliminates any trips to the post office or the need to complete any special forms. Our branded insurance is provided in partnership with Parcel Insurance Plan and is underwritten by Fireman's Fund. We also offer official USPS insurance alongside our branded insurance product.

## Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In April 2009, FASB issued FSP No. SFAS 157-4, "Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly" ("FSP SFAS 157-4"). FSP SFAS 157-4 provides guidelines for (1) estimating fair value in accordance with SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurement", when the volume and level of activity for an asset or liability have significantly decreased and (2) identifying circumstances indicating that a transaction is not an orderly one. FSP SFAS 157-4 is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009, but entities may early adopt for the interim and annual periods ending after March 15, 2009. The adoption of FSP SFAS $157-4$ will not have a material impact to our financial statements.

In April 2009, FASB issued FSP No. SFAS 115-2 and SFAS 124-2, "Recognition and Presentation of Other-Than Temporary Impairments" ("FSP SFAS 115-2 and SFAS 124-2"). FSP SFAS 115-2 and SFAS 124-2 amends the other-than-temporary impairment guidance for debt securities to make the guidance more operational and to improve the presentation and disclosure of other-than-temporary impairments on debt and equity securities in the financial statements. FSP SFAS 115-2 and SFAS 124-2 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009, with early adoption permitted for periods after March 15, 2009. The adoption of FSP SFAS 115-2 and SFAS 124-2 will not have a material impact to our financial statements.

In April 2009, FASB issued FSP No. SFAS 107-1 and APB 28-1, "Interim Disclosure about Fair Value of Financial Instruments" ("FSP SFAS 107-1 and APB 28-1"). FSP SFAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 amends the required disclosure about fair value of financial instruments for interim reporting periods of publicly traded companies as well as in annual financial statements and the required disclosures in summarized financial information at interim reporting periods. FSP SFAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009, with early adoption permitted for periods after March 15, 2009. The adoption of FSP SFAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 will not have a material impact to our financial statements.

## Results of Operations

Total revenue in the first quarter of 2009 was $\$ 20.0$ million, a decrease of $5 \%$ from $\$ 21.1$ million in the first quarter of 2008. PC Postage revenue, including service revenue, product revenue and insurance revenue, in the first quarter of 2009 was $\$ 18.3$ million, an increase of $1 \%$ compared to $\$ 18.1$ million in the first quarter of 2008. PhotoStamps revenue in the first quarter of 2009 was $\$ 1.7$ million, a decrease of $43 \%$ compared to $\$ 3.0$ million in the first quarter of 2008 .

The PC Postage marketing channels we use to acquire customers include partnerships, online advertising, affiliate channel, direct mail, traditional media advertising, enhanced promotion online channel and others. We look at our enhanced promotion channel separately from our non-enhanced promotion channels. In the enhanced promotion channel, we work with various companies to advertise our service in a variety of sites on the Internet. These companies typically offer an additional promotion directly to the customer in order to get the customer to try our service. Although our enhanced promotion channel is characterized by lower customer acquisition costs than our other channels, its customer attrition rates are higher. In recent periods, we have decided to decrease our marketing investment in that channel and increase investments in our non-enhanced promotion marketing channels.

As a result, we estimate that PC Postage revenue for customers acquired through our enhanced promotion channel for the first quarter of 2009 was $\$ 1.8$ million, a decrease of $29 \%$ from $\$ 2.5$ million in the first quarter of 2008 . We estimate that PC Postage revenue for customers acquired through our non-enhanced promotion channels for the first quarter of 2009 was $\$ 16.6$ million, an increase of $6 \%$ from $\$ 15.6$ million in the first quarter of 2008.

We define paid customers as ones from whom we successfully collected service fees at least once during the quarter. Total number of paid customers originally acquired through our non-enhanced promotion channels during the first quarter of 2009 was approximately 321,000 , an increase of $5 \%$ from 305,000 in the first quarter of 2008.

We believe that the increase in paid customers in the first quarter of 2009 was attributable to our increased customer acquisition spending. For customers originally acquired through our non-enhanced promotion channels, our average subscriber related monthly revenue per paid customer in the first quarter of 2009 was $\$ 17.18$ compared to $\$ 17.00$ in the first quarter of 2008 .

The following table sets forth our results of operations as a percentage of total revenue for the periods indicated:

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2009 | 2008 |
| Total Revenues: |  |  |
| Service | 76\% | 72\% |
| Product | 13\% | 12\% |
| Insurance | 2\% | 2\% |
| PhotoStamps | 9\% | 14\% |
| Total revenues | 100\% | 100\% |
| Cost of revenues: |  |  |
| Service | 15\% | 13\% |
| Product | 5\% | 4\% |
| Insurance | 1\% | 1\% |
| PhotoStamps | 6\% | 10\% |
| Total cost of revenues | 27\% | 28\% |
| Gross profit | 73\% | 72\% |
| Operating expenses: |  |  |
| Sales and marketing | 40\% | 41\% |
| Research and development | 11\% | 9\% |
| General and administrative | 16\% | 19\% |
| Total operating expensesTotal operating expenses | 67\% | 69\% |
| Income from operations | 6\% | 3\% |
| Other income, net | 2\% | 5\% |
| Income before income taxes | 8\% | 8\% |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | 1\% | (17\%) |
| Net income | 6\% | 25\% |

## Revenue

Our revenue is derived primarily from four sources: (1) service fees charged to customers for use of our PC Postage service; (2) product sales consisting of Supplies Store revenue from the direct sale of consumables and supplies (3) insurance revenue from our branded insurance offering; and (4) PhotoStamps revenue from our PhotoStamps business. Total revenue decreased $5 \%$ to $\$ 20.0$ million in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 21.1$ million in the first quarter of 2008.

Service revenue increased $1 \%$ to $\$ 15.3$ million in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 15.2$ million in the first quarter of 2008. The increase in service revenue is primarily due to the increase in our successfully billed customers as a result of the growth in our customer base. The $1 \%$ increase in service revenue consisted of a $7 \%$ increase in service revenue from customers acquired through our non-enhanced promotion channels and a $30 \%$ decrease in service revenue from customers acquired through our enhanced promotion channel. As a percentage of total revenue, service revenue increased approximately four percentage points to $76 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $72 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008, primarily as a result of the decrease in revenue from our PhotoStamps product.

Product revenue increased $5 \%$ to $\$ 2.6$ million in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 2.5$ million in the first quarter of 2008. The increase in product revenue was attributable to growth in the number of orders, partially offset by a decline in the average revenue per order. The increase in product revenue consisted of a $5.3 \%$ increase in store orders shipped. Average revenue per order decreased $0.6 \%$ from $\$ 40.06$ per order during the first quarter of 2008 to $\$ 39.84$

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during the first quarter of 2009. The increase in store orders shipped was primarily attributable to an increase in our paid customer base. As a percentage of total revenue, product revenue increased approximately one percentage point to $13 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $12 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008.

Insurance revenue increased $4 \%$ to $\$ 404,000$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 388,000$ in the first quarter of 2008. The increase in insurance revenue consisted of a $1 \%$ increase in insurance transactions and a $3 \%$ increase in average revenue per insurance transaction. The increase in insurance transactions was primarily attributable to an increase in our paid customer base and the increase in average revenue per transactions was primarily attributable to an increase in the average declared value per package. As a percentage of total revenue, insurance revenue was $2 \%$ in each of the first quarter of 2009 and the first quarter of 2008.

PhotoStamps revenue decreased $43 \%$ to $\$ 1.7$ million in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 3.0$ million in the first quarter of 2008. The decrease in revenue was primarily attributable to a decrease in the number of sheets shipped. We shipped approximately 104,000 PhotoStamps sheets during the first quarter of 2009 , a $41 \%$ decrease compared to the 178,000 shipped in the first quarter of 2008 . Average revenue per sheet shipped for the first quarter of 2009 was $\$ 16.45$, a $3 \%$ decrease compared to $\$ 16.91$ for the first quarter of 2008. We believe the decrease in PhotoStamps sheets shipped was primarily attributable to the weaker general economy, lower high volume business orders and our reduction in PhotoStamps consumer sales and marketing spending. As a percentage of total revenue, PhotoStamps revenue decreased approximately five percentage points to $9 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $14 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008.

## Cost of Revenue

Cost of revenue principally consists of the cost of customer service, certain promotional expenses, system operating costs, credit card processing fees, the cost of postage for PhotoStamps, image review, printing and fulfillment costs for PhotoStamps, parcel insurance offering costs, customer misprints and products sold through our Supplies Store and the related costs of shipping and handling. Total cost of revenue decreased $8 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 to $\$ 5.4$ million from $\$ 5.9$ million in the first quarter of 2008. As a percentage of total revenue, cost of revenue decreased one percentage point to $27 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 compared to $28 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008.

Cost of service revenue increased $10 \%$ to $\$ 3.0$ million in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 2.7$ million in the first quarter of 2008. The increase in cost of service revenue is primarily attributable to higher customer support related expenses resulting from expanding our support personnel and increased costs related to our retention program aimed at retaining customers who call to cancel their service. Promotional expenses, which include free postage and a free digital scale offered to new customers, are included in cost of service revenue. Promotional expenses were approximately $\$ 361,000$ and $\$ 464,000$ during the first quarter of 2009 and the first quarter of 2008, respectively. The decrease in promotional expense is primarily attributable to a change in our estimate of future coupon redemptions made during 2008. Promotional expense, which represents a material portion of total cost of service revenue, is expensed in the period in which a customer qualifies for the promotion, while the revenue associated with the acquired customer is earned over the customer's lifetime. As a result, promotional expense for newly acquired customers may exceed the revenue earned from those customers in that period. As a percentage of total revenue, cost of service revenue increased approximately two percentage points to $15 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 compared to $13 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008.

Cost of product revenue increased $7 \%$ to $\$ 945,000$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 880,000$ in the first quarter of 2008. The increase in cost of product revenue was primarily attributable to the increase in store sales and higher fulfillment costs in the first quarter of 2009 compared with the first quarter of 2008. As a percentage of total revenue, cost of product revenue increased one percentage point to $5 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $4 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008.

Cost of insurance revenue increased $4 \%$ to $\$ 125,000$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 120,000$ in the first quarter of 2008. The increase in cost of insurance revenue was attributable to both an increase in the number of insurance transactions and an increase in the average cost per insurance transaction. As a percentage of total revenue, cost of insurance revenue was unchanged at $1 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 and the first quarter of 2008.

Cost of PhotoStamps revenue decreased $39 \%$ to $\$ 1.3$ million in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 2.1$ million in the first quarter of 2008, corresponding to the decrease in PhotoStamps revenue. Additionally, the gross margin from PhotoStamps is significantly lower than that of our other sources of revenue because we include the stated value of USPS postage as part of our cost of PhotoStamps revenue. As a percentage of total revenue, cost of PhotoStamps revenue decreased approximately four percentage points to $6 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $10 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008.

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## Sales and Marketing

Sales and marketing expense principally consists of spending to acquire new customers and compensation and related expenses for personnel engaged in sales, marketing, and business development activities. Sales and marketing expense decreased $6 \%$ to $\$ 8.1$ million in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 8.6$ million in the first quarter of 2008 . As a percentage of total revenue, sales and marketing expense decreased approximately one percentage point to $40 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $41 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008. The decrease, both on an absolute basis and as a percentage of total revenue, is primarily due to a decrease in enhanced promotion marketing program expenditures and a decrease in marketing expenditures related to PhotoStamps, partially offset by an increase in marketing program expenditures relating to the acquisition of customers outside the enhanced promotion channel for our PC Postage business. Ongoing marketing programs include the following: traditional advertising, partnerships, customer referral programs, customer re-marketing efforts, telemarketing, direct mail, and online advertising.

## Research and Development

Research and development expense principally consists of compensation for personnel involved in the development of our services, depreciation of equipment and software used in development and expenditures for consulting services and third party software. Research and development expense increased $15 \%$ to $\$ 2.2$ million in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 1.9$ million in the first quarter of 2008. The increase is mainly attributable to increased headcount related expenses. As a percentage of total revenue, research and development expense increased two percentage points to $11 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $9 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008.

## General and Administrative

General and administrative expense principally consists of compensation and related costs for executive and administrative personnel, fees for legal and other professional services, depreciation of equipment and software used for general corporate purposes and amortization of intangible assets. General and administrative expense decreased $17 \%$ to $\$ 3.3$ million in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 3.9$ million in the first quarter of 2008 . As a percentage of total revenue, general and administrative expense decreased approximately three percentage points to $16 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $19 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008. The decrease, both on an absolute basis and as a percentage of total revenue, is primarily attributable to the following factors: (1) a decrease in legal expenses relating to existing litigation, (2) a $\$ 445,000$ asset write-off of packaging material primarily relating to PhotoStamps that we incurred in the first quarter of 2008 and (3) decreased amortization expense related to the completion of our E-Stamp patent amortization schedule in the second quarter of 2008.

Other Income, Net
Other income, net primarily consists of interest income from cash equivalents, short-term investments and long-term investments. Other income, net decreased $62 \%$ to $\$ 357,000$ in the first quarter of 2009 from $\$ 938,000$ in the first quarter of 2008. As a percentage of total revenue, other income, net decreased approximately three percentage points to $2 \%$ in the first quarter of 2009 compared to $5 \%$ in the first quarter of 2008 . The decrease, both on an absolute basis and as a percentage of total revenue, is primarily from lower interest income resulting from lower interest rates and lower investment balances, as we sold certain investments and used the cash to repurchase shares of our common stock.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008 we had approximately $\$ 70$ million and $\$ 74$ million, respectively, in cash, restricted cash and short-term and long-term investments. We invest available funds in short-term and long-term securities, including money market funds, corporate bonds, asset backed securities, and government and agency
bonds, and do not engage in hedging or speculative activities.
In November 2003, we entered into a facility lease agreement commencing in March 2004 for our corporate headquarters with aggregate lease payments of approximately \$4 million through March 2010.

There have been no material changes to our contractual obligations and commercial commitments included in Item 7 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

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Net cash provided by operating activities was $\$ 3.2$ million and $\$ 4.3$ million during the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The decrease in net cash provided by operating activities is primarily attributable to the decrease in PhotoStamps gross profit and lower interest income.

Net cash used in investing activities was $\$ 5.5$ million during the three months ended March 31, 2009. Net cash provided by investing activities was 7.8 million during the three months ended March 31, 2008. The increase in net cash used in investing activities is primarily due to the purchase of long-term investment securities.

Net cash used in financing activities was $\$ 6.7$ million and $\$ 4.3$ million during the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The increase is mainly due to cash used to fund our stock repurchase program.

We believe our available cash and marketable securities, together with the cash flow from operations, will be sufficient to fund our business for the foreseeable future.

Critical Accounting Policies
General
The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based on our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with US generally accepted accounting principles. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an on-going basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to patents, contingencies and litigation. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe are 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 may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

We believe the following critical accounting policies affect our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements.

## Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue from product sales or services rendered when the following four revenue recognition criteria are met: persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred or services have been rendered, the selling price is fixed or determinable, and collectibility is reasonably assured.

Our service revenue is based on monthly convenience fees and is recognized in the period that services are provided. Product sales, net of return allowances, are recorded when the products are shipped and title passes to customers. Sales of items, including PhotoStamps, to customers are made pursuant to a sales contract that provides for transfer of both title and risk of loss upon our delivery to the carrier. Return allowances for expected product returns, which reduce product revenue, are estimated using historical experience. Commissions from the advertising or sale of products by a third party vendor to our customer base are recognized when the revenue is earned and collection is deemed probable. We recognize revenue on insurance purchases upon the ship date of the insured package.

Intangibles
We make an assessment of the estimated useful lives of our patents and other amortizable intangibles. These estimates are made using various assumptions that are subjective in nature and could change as economic and competitive conditions change. If events were to occur that would cause our assumptions to change, the amounts recorded as amortization would be adjusted.

Contingencies and Litigation
We are involved in various litigation matters as a claimant and as a defendant. We record any amounts recovered in these matters when collection is certain. We record liabilities for claims against us when the losses are probable and estimable. Any amounts recorded would be based on reviews by outside counsel, in-house counsel and management. Actual results may differ from estimates.

## Promotional Expense

New PC Postage customers are typically offered promotional items that are redeemed using coupons that are qualified for redemption after a customer is successfully billed beyond an initial trial period. This includes free postage and a free digital scale and is expensed in the period in which a customer qualifies using estimated redemption rates based on historical data. Promotional expense, which is included in cost of service, is incurred as customers qualify and thereby may not correlate directly with changes in revenue, as the revenue associated with the acquired customer is earned over the customer's lifetime.

## ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our exposure to market rate risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to our investment portfolio. We have not used derivative financial instruments in our investment portfolio. None of the instruments in our investment portfolio are held for trading purposes. Our cash equivalents and investments consist of money market, U.S. government obligations, asset-backed securities and public corporate debt securities with duration of 235 days at March 31, 2009. Our cash equivalents and investments, net of restricted cash, approximated $\$ 70$ million and had a related weighted average interest rate of approximately $2.2 \%$. Interest rate fluctuations impact the carrying value of the portfolio. The fair value of our portfolio of marketable securities would not be significantly affected by either a 10 $\%$ increase or decrease in the rates of interest due primarily to the short duration nature of the portfolio. We do not believe that the future market risks related to the above securities will have a material adverse impact on our financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

As we do not have any operations outside of the United States, we are not exposed to foreign currency risks.

## ITEM 4.

## CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

## Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act), designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

As of the end of the period covered by this Report, our management evaluated, with the participation of our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer have concluded, as of that time, that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by us in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act (i) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and (ii) is accumulated and communicated to our management including our Principal Executive Officer and our Principal Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

## Changes in Internal Controls

During the quarter ended March 31, 2009, there has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

## ITEM 1.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

On October 22, 2004, Kara Technology Incorporated filed suit against us in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, alleging, among other claims, that we infringed certain Kara Technology patents and that we misappropriated trade secrets owned by Kara Technology, most particularly with respect to our NetStamps feature. Kara Technology seeks an injunction, unspecified damages, and attorneys' fees. The suit was transferred to the United States District Court for the Central District of California. On August 23, 2006, the court granted our summary judgment motions on the trade secret and other non-patent claims. On April 3, 2008, the court granted our summary judgment motion that PhotoStamps does not infringe. On June 27, 2008, at the conclusion of trial, the jury issued its verdict in our favor, finding that NetStamps does not infringe. Kara Technology has filed an appeal of the judgment in the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

On November 22, 2006, we filed a lawsuit against Endicia, Inc. and PSI Systems, Inc. in the United States District Court for the Central District of California for infringement of eleven of our patents covering, among other things, Internet postage technology. We seek an injunction, unspecified damages, and attorneys' fees. On January 8, 2007, Endicia, Inc. and PSI Systems, Inc. filed counterclaims asking for a declaratory judgment that all eleven patents are invalid, unenforceable and not infringed. On November 10, 2008, we selected fifteen claims from eight of the patents to be the subject of the claim construction hearing and trial. The Court has vacated the trial date until the resolution of claim construction.

On August 8, 2008, PSI Systems, Inc. filed a lawsuit against us in the same court, alleging that we infringed three PSI Systems patents related to Internet postage technology. PSI Systems seeks an injunction, unspecified damages, and attorneys' fees. On September 16, 2008, we filed counterclaims for infringement of four more of our patents. In our counterclaim, we seek an injunction, unspecified damages, and attorneys' fees. This lawsuit is in the discovery stage. The Court has not scheduled a trial commencement date.

In 2001, we were named, together with certain of our current and former board members and/or officers, as a defendant in several purported class-action lawsuits, filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The lawsuits allege violations of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act in connection with our initial public offering and a secondary offering of our common stock. Plaintiffs seek damages and statutory compensation, including interest, costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees). In 2003, we reached a proposed settlement that would not have required us to make any payments, which was ultimately terminated in 2007 after the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit determined that the class could not be certified as defined. Plaintiffs filed an amended complaint and proposed an alternative class definition in related litigation. In 2009, we approved a new proposed settlement which has been documented and filed with the court for its review and approval. As with our previously proposed settlement, this proposed settlement would not require us to make any payments.

We are subject to various other routine legal proceedings and claims incidental to our business, or that involve primarily a claim for damages that does not exceed $10 \%$ of our consolidated assets. We believe that the ultimate results from these actions will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

## ITEM 1A.

## RISK FACTORS

We are not aware of any material changes to the risk factors included in Item 1A "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

ITEM 2.

We did not have any unregistered sales of common stock during the quarter ended March 31, 2008.

## Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

During the first quarter of 2009, we purchased our common stock as described in the following table:

| Period | Total Number of shares Purchased | Average Price Paid per Share |  | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs | Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (in 000's) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January 1, 2009 - <br> January 31, 2009 | 252,000 | \$ | 8.28 | - 252,000 | \$ | 11,000 |
| February 1, 2009 - <br> February 28, 2009 | 361,000 | \$ | 8.25 | 361,000 | \$ | 17,000 |
| March 1, 2009 - <br> March 31, 2009 | 220,000 | \$ | 8.26 | 220,000 | \$ | 15,000 |

On July 16, 2008, our board of directors approved a repurchase program covering a maximum of $2,000,000$ shares to be repurchased no later than February 15, 2009. On October 16, 2008, this repurchase program had been amended to authorize a maximum total of $3,000,000$ shares to be repurchased no later than February 15, 2009. On November 21, 2008, this repurchase program was further amended authorizing a maximum total of $3,800,000$ shares to be repurchased no later than February 15, 2009. On February 5, 2009, our board of directors approved an additional share repurchase program authorizing us to purchase up to $2,500,000$ shares of our stock over the next six months as market and business conditions warrant.

Our purchase of any of our shares will be subject to limitations that may be imposed on such purchases by applicable securities laws and regulations and the rules of The NASDAQ Stock Market. Purchases may be made in the open market, or in privately negotiated transactions from time to time at our discretion. We will consider repurchasing stock under our current repurchase program by evaluating such factors as the price of the stock, the daily trading volume and the availability of large blocks of stock and any additional constraints related to material inside information we may possess. We have no commitment to make any repurchases.

ITEM 3.
Not applicable.
ITEM 4.
SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

None.

## ITEM 5.

## OTHER INFORMATION

None.

## ITEM 6.

32.1 Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

## 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.

May 8, 2009
STAMPS.COM INC.
(Registrant)
By:
/s/ KEN MCBRIDE
Ken McBride
Chief Executive Officer

May 8, 2009
By:/s/ KYLE HUEBNER
Kyle Huebner
Chief Financial Officer

