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þ	ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
	For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012
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For the transiti	on period from to
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# TeleTech Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of

**84-1291044** (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

# 9197 South Peoria Street

# Englewood, Colorado 80112

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registra	ant s telephone number, including area code:				
	(303) 397-8100				
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:					
Title of each class Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	Name of each exchange on which registered NASDAQ Global Select Market				
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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. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer o Accelerated filer b

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As of June 30, 2012, the last business day of the registrant s most recently completed second fiscal quarter, there were 54,555,105 shares of the registrant s common stock outstanding. The aggregate market value of the registrant s voting and non-voting common stock that was held by non-affiliates on such date was \$352,854,512 based on the closing sale price of the registrant s common stock on such date as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

As of February 21, 2013, there were 52,359,204 shares of the registrant s common stock outstanding.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Certain information required for Part III of this report is incorporated by reference to the proxy statement for the registrant s 2013 annual meeting of stockholders.

# TELETECH HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

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#### **NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES**

In various places throughout this Annual Report on Form 10-K (Form 10-K), we use certain financial measures to describe our performance that are not accepted measures under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (non-GAAP financial measures). We believe such non-GAAP financial measures are informative to the users of our financial information because we use these measures to manage our business. We discuss non-GAAP financial measures in Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations of this Form 10-K under the heading Presentation of Non-GAAP Measurements.

#### CAUTIONARY NOTE ABOUT FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Form 10-K and the information incorporated by reference contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the PSLRA ) or in releases made by the Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ), all as may be amended from time to time. All projections and statements regarding our expected financial position and operating results, our business strategy, our financing plans and the outcome of any contingencies are forward-looking statements. These statements can sometimes be identified by our use of forward-looking words such as may, believe, plan, will, expect, should, seeks, or scheduled to and other words and phrases of similar meaning. We intend the project, would. could. forward-looking statements throughout this Form 10-K and the information incorporated by reference to be covered by the safe harbor provisions for forward-looking statements. Important risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause the actual results to materially differ from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements include but are not limited to:

- U.S. and global economic conditions;
- our ability to develop new clients and retain existing clients;
- the impact of client consolidations;
- geographic concentration of our business activities;
- unauthorized disclosure of sensitive or confidential client and customer data;
- fluctuations in customer demand and our capacity utilization:
- service interruptions, security threats or other disruptions at our facilities relating to our computer and telecommunications equipment and software systems:
- negotiated provisions in our contracts, including fee structures, early termination provisions and increased costs;
- compliance with credit facility covenant restrictions, and our ability to obtain financing and manage counterparty credit risks from financial institutions;
- risks associated with conducting business operations in foreign countries;
- fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates;
- compliance with laws and the impact of pending legislation and regulations or changes in existing federal, state, local or foreign laws and regulations;

- our ability to maintain and improve the cost efficiency of our operations, including labor costs;
- intense competition in the business process outsourcing industry;
- disruptions in the supply chain of the Customer Technology Services segment;
- our ability to develop and protect our intellectual property and contractual rights and avoid infringement;

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- our ability to attract and retain personnel;
- our ability to grow our operations and the integration of businesses acquired through joint ventures or acquisitions;
- the effects of a natural disaster, terrorist attack, health epidemic or other emergencies;
- ownership by our senior management of a majority of our common stock;
- failures of our controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting; and
- other risks and uncertainties affecting our business described under the captions Item 1A. Risk Factors and Item 7.
   Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, in our other SEC filings and in our press releases.

The forward-looking information is based on information available as of the date of this Form 10-K and on numerous assumptions and developments that are not within our control. Although we believe these forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you they will turn out to be correct. We assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect actual results, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required under applicable securities laws.

#### **AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION**

You may read and copy any materials TeleTech Holdings, Inc. ( TeleTech ) files with the SEC at the SEC s Public Reference Room at 100 F. Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of such materials also can be obtained at the SEC s website, <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a> or by mail from the Public Reference Room of the SEC, at the proscribed rates. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the Public Reference Room. TeleTech s SEC filings are also available to the public, free of charge, on its corporate website, <a href="https://www.teletech.com">www.teletech.com</a>, as soon as reasonably practicable after TeleTech electronically files such material with, or furnishes it to, the SEC.

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#### **PART I**

#### **ITEM 1. BUSINESS**

#### **Our Business**

TeleTech is one of the largest and most geographically diverse global providers of technology-enabled, fully-integrated customer experience management solutions. We have a 30-year history of helping our clients maximize the value of their brand through the design and delivery of exceptional customer experiences. Our end-to-end offering originates with the design of data-rich customer-centric strategies. These customer-centric strategies are then enabled by a suite of technologies and world class operations that allow us to more effectively manage and grow the economic value of our client s customer relationships.

We have developed deep vertical industry expertise and serve approximately 200 global clients in the automotive, broadband, communications, financial services, government, healthcare, logistics, media and entertainment, retail, technology and travel industries. We target customer-focused industry leaders in the Global 1000, which are the world s largest companies based on market capitalization, due to their size, global reach and desire for a partner who can quickly and globally scale a suite of fully-integrated services. We typically enter into long-term relationships which provide us with a more predictable revenue stream. Our relationships with our top five clients have ranged from six to 17 years with the majority of these clients having completed multiple contract renewals with us.

We were founded in 1982 and reorganized as a Delaware corporation in 1994. We completed an initial public offering of our common stock in 1996 and since then have grown our annual revenue from \$183 million to \$1,163 million, representing a compounded annual growth rate ( CAGR ) of 12.3%.

To further improve our competitive position and stay ahead of a rapidly changing market for our services, we continue to invest in new growth areas. We believe our commitment to innovation will enable us to remain strategically relevant to our clients and to grow and diversify our revenue into higher margin, more technology-enabled services. Of the \$1,163 million in revenue we reported in 2012, approximately 21% or \$239.2 million came from customer-centric strategy, growth or technology-based services with the remainder coming from our traditional customer management services.

We believe our track record of innovation, operational excellence, financial strength and ability to deliver on the business goals of our clients represent our strongest competitive advantages and have been significant contributors to our client retention rate of 92% in 2012.

Our solid balance sheet, cash flows from operations and access to capital markets have provided us the financial flexibility to fund our organic growth, strategic acquisitions and our ongoing stock repurchase program.

As a means of executing our strategy to expand our operating segments, we have in the past and may in the future acquire additional companies, products or technologies. During 2012, we made four acquisitions including OnState Communications Corporation (OnState) in January, iKnowtion LLC (iKnowtion) in February, Guidon Performance Solutions (Guidon) in October and Technology Solutions Group, Inc. (TSG) in December. We have included the financial results of the business combinations in our consolidated results of operations beginning on the respective acquisition dates, however, the impact of these acquisitions was not material to our consolidated balance sheets and results of operations. See Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations for more information regarding our acquisitions.

As part of our previously announced decision to exit certain underperforming markets and programs, we ceased operations in Spain as of July 31, 2012. The termination of these operations resulted in total pre-tax restructuring and asset impairment charges of \$15.5 million during 2012.

As of December 31, 2012, we had \$164.5 million in cash and cash equivalents and a debt to capitalization ratio of 19.3%. During 2012, we generated \$66.4 million in free cash flow and our cash flow from operations in combination with borrowings under our revolving credit facility enabled us to fund \$40.5 million in capital expenditures along with \$81.2 million in stock repurchases. Approximately 60% of our capital expenditures were related to the growth of our business with the remaining 40% used for maintenance of our embedded infrastructure and internal technology systems. See Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations for further discussion of free cash flow.

We continue to return capital to our shareholders via an ongoing stock repurchase program which was initially authorized by our Board of Directors in November 2001. The Board periodically authorizes additional increases to the program. As of December 31, 2012, the cumulative authorized repurchase allowance was \$537.3 million, of which we repurchased 37.2 million shares for \$511.9 million. As of December 31, 2012, the remaining allowance under the program was approximately \$25.4 million. For the period from January 1, 2013 through February 21, 2013, we have not purchased any additional shares. The stock repurchase program does not have an expiration date.

#### **Our Market Opportunity**

We believe that our revenue will grow over the long-term as global demand for our services is fueled by the following trends:

- Increasing focus on the customer experience to sustain competitive advantage. The ability to sustain a competitive advantage based on price or product differentiation has significantly narrowed given the speed of technological innovation. As customers become more connected and widely broadcast their experiences across a variety of social networking channels, the quality of the experience is having a profound impact on brand loyalty and business performance. We believe customers are increasingly shaping their attitudes, behaviors and willingness to recommend or stay with a brand on the totality of their experience, including not only the superiority of the product or service but more importantly on the quality of their ongoing service interactions. Given the strong correlation between high customer satisfaction and improved profitability, we believe more companies are increasingly focused on selecting third-party partners, such as TeleTech, who can deliver a data-driven, fully-integrated solution that increases the lifetime value of each customer relationship versus merely reducing costs.
- Increasing percentage of companies consolidating their customer experience requirements with the most capable partners who can deliver measurable business outcomes by offering a fully-integrated, technology-rich solution. The proliferation of mobile communication technologies and devices along with customers increased access to information and heightened expectations are driving the need for companies to implement enabling technologies that ensure customers have the best experience regardless of the device, location or media they chose. These two-way interactions need to be received or delivered seamlessly via the customer channel of choice and include voice, email, chat, SMS text, intelligent self serve, virtual agents and the social web. We believe companies will continue to consolidate to third-party partners, such as TeleTech, who have demonstrated expertise in increasing brand value by delivering a holistic, fully-integrated customer-centric solution that spans strategy to execution versus the time, expense and often failed returns resulting from linking together a series of point solutions from different providers.
- Focus on speed-to-market by companies launching new products or entering new geographic locations. As companies broaden their product offerings and seek to enter new emerging markets, they are looking for partners that can provide speed-to-market while reducing their capital and operating risk. To achieve these benefits, companies select us because of our extensive operating history, established global footprint, financial strength to invest in ongoing technological innovation and the ability to quickly scale infrastructure and large, complex business processes around the globe in a short period of time while assuring a high-quality experience for their customers.

# **Our Future Growth Strategy**

We aim to grow our revenue and profitability by focusing on higher margin, technology-enabled services that drive a superior customer experience. To that end we plan to:

- Accelerate investment in both vertical sales leadership and our technology-enabled services and platforms;
- Build deeper, more strategic relationships with existing global clients to drive enduring, transformational change within their organizations;
- Pursue new clients who lead their respective industries and who are committed to the customer experience as a differentiator:
- Target additional, accretive acquisitions that further complement and expand our integrated solution; and
- Build on our heritage of technology innovation through the creation of proprietary new intellectual property and bring new capabilities to the market that previously did not exist.

As we further develop and scale our strategic business segments, we are continually evaluating ways to maximize stockholder value, which could include, among other things, the sale, merger or spin-off of equity interests in our subsidiaries or the disposition of business units, in whole or in part.

#### **Our Business Segments**

Beginning in the first quarter of 2012 we aligned our operations around the following four business segments to more closely reflect our organizational structure as well as our expanding suite of customer experience management solutions.

Based on the requirements of our clients, we provide our services both on a fully-integrated and discrete basis.

#### Design Customer Strategy Services

We typically begin by engaging our clients at a strategic level. Through our data-driven management consulting expertise we help our clients design and build their customer experience strategies. We improve our clients ability to better understand and predict their customers behaviors and preferences along with their current and future economic value so that they can deploy resources to achieve the greatest return. Using proprietary analytic models, we provide the insight clients need to build the business case for customer centricity, to better optimize their marketing spend and then work alongside them to help implement our recommendations. A key component of this practice involves instilling a high performance culture through a lean management framework. This process optimization capability enables the client to align and cascade the recommended initiatives to ensure accountability and transparency for the ultimate achievement and sustainability of future results.

## Enable Customer Technology Services

Once the design of the customer experience is completed, our ability to architect, deploy and host or manage the client s customer management environments becomes a key enabler to achieving and sustaining the client s customer experience vision. Given the proliferation of mobile communication technologies and devices, we enable our clients operations to interact with their customers across the growing array of channels including email, social networks, mobile, web, SMS text, voice and chat. We design, implement and manage cloud, on-premise or hybrid customer management environments to deliver a consistent and superior experience across all touch points on a global scale that we believe result in higher quality, lower costs and reduced risk for our clients.

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## Manage Customer Management Services

We redesign and manage clients front-to-back office processes to deliver just-in-time, personalized, multi-channel interactions. Our front-office solutions seamlessly integrate voice, chat, e-mail, ecommerce and social media to optimize the customer experience for our clients. In addition, we manage certain back-office processes for our clients to enhance their ability to obtain a customer-centric view of their relationships and maximize operating efficiencies. Our delivery of integrated business processes via our onshore, offshore or work-from-home associates reduces operating costs and allows customer needs to be met more quickly and efficiently, resulting in higher satisfaction, brand loyalty and a stronger competitive position for our clients.

#### Grow Customer Growth Services

We offer fully integrated sales and marketing solutions to help our clients boost revenue in new, fragmented or underpenetrated business-to-consumer or business-to-business markets. We deliver approximately \$1 billion in client revenue annually via the acquisition, growth and retention of customers through a combination of our highly trained, client-dedicated sales professionals and our proprietary Revana Analytic Multichannel PlatformTM. This platform continuously aggregates individual customer information across all channels into one holistic view so as to ensure more relevant and personalized communications. These communications are dynamically triggered to send the right message to the right customer at the right time via their preferred communication channel. The ability of our sales associates to be backed by a highly scalable, technology-enabled platform that delivers smarter, more targeted digital marketing messages over email, social networks, mobile, web, SMS text, voice and chat results in higher conversion rates at a lower overall cost for our clients.

Additional information with respect to our segments and geographic footprint is contained in Note 3 to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### **Our Competitive Strengths**

As the complexity and pace of technological change required to deliver an exceptional multi-channel customer experience increases, we believe our clients select us for a number of reasons including our:

- Industry reputation and our position as one of the largest and most financially sound industry partners with 30 years of
  expertise in delivering fully-integrated customer experience solutions designed to enable, manage and grow the value of
  every customer relationship;
- Ability to deliver multi-channel, multi-modal solutions that meet the rapidly changing profile of the customer and their heightened expectations;
- Ability to scale infrastructure and employees worldwide using globally deployed best practices to ensure a consistent, high-quality service;
- Ability to optimize the performance of our workforce through proprietary hiring, training and performance optimization tools; and

• Commitment to continued product and services innovation to further diversify our revenue and enhance the strategic capabilities of our clients.

We believe that our technological excellence, innovative human capital strategies and globally scaled and deployed best practices are key elements to our continued industry leadership.

Technological Excellence

We believe we were one of the first companies in our industry to migrate our technology platform to a secure, private, 100% internet protocol ( IP ) based infrastructure. This architecture has enabled us to centralize and standardize our worldwide delivery capabilities resulting in improved scalability and quality of delivery for our clients while lowering our capital and information technology ( IT ) operating costs.

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The foundation of this platform is our four IP hosting centers known as TeleTech GigaPOPs®, which are located on three continents. These centers provide a fully integrated suite of voice and data routing, workforce management, quality monitoring, business analytic and storage capabilities. This enables anywhere to anywhere, real-time processing of our clients business needs from any location around the globe. This hub and spoke model enables us to provide our services at the lowest cost while increasing scalability, reliability, redundancy, asset utilization and the diversity of our service offerings.

To ensure high end-to-end security and reliability of this critical infrastructure, we monitor and manage the TeleTech GigaPOPs® 24 x 7, 365 days per year from several strategically located state-of-the-art global command centers as well as providing redundant, fail-over capabilities for each GigaPOP.

Importantly, this platform has become the foundation for new, innovative offerings including TeleTech s cloud-based offerings, TeleTech@Home and our suite of human capital solutions.

Our technology innovations have resulted in 10 issued intellectual property patents as well as 18 filed patent applications.

Innovative Human Capital Strategies

Our global employees are a crucial component to the success of our business. We have made significant investments in a proprietary suite of technologies, management methodologies and training processes in the areas of talent acquisition, learning services, knowledge management, workforce collaboration and performance optimization. These capabilities are the culmination of 30 years experience in managing large, global workforces combined with the latest technology, innovation and strategy in the field of human capital management. This capability has enabled us to deliver a consistent, scalable and flexible workforce that is highly engaged in achieving or exceeding our client s business objectives.

Globally Deployed Best Operating Practices

Globally deployed best operating practices assure that we deliver a consistent, scalable, high-quality experience to our clients customers from any of our 50 delivery centers or work from home associates around the world. Standardized processes include our approach to attracting, screening, hiring, training, scheduling, evaluating, coaching and maximizing associate performance to meet our clients—needs. We provide real-time reporting on performance across the globe to ensure consistency of delivery. In addition, this information provides valuable insight into what is driving customer inquiries, enabling us to proactively recommend process changes to our clients to optimize their customers—experience.

With delivery centers in 16 countries, we believe this makes us one of the largest and most geographically diverse providers of customer experience solutions. We plan to selectively expand into other attractive delivery markets over time.

Of the 16 countries from which we provide customer experience solutions, 11 provide services for onshore clients including the U.S., Australia, Brazil, China, England, Germany, Ghana, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, Scotland and South Africa. The total number of workstations in these countries is 9,300, or 34% of our total delivery capacity.

The other five countries provide services, partially or entirely, for offshore clients including Argentina, Canada, Costa Rica, Mexico and the Philippines. The total number of workstations in these countries is 18,000, or 66% of our total delivery capacity.

See Item 1A. Risk Factors for a description of the risks associated with our foreign operations.

#### Clients

In 2012, one of our clients represented 10% of our total annual revenue. Our top five and ten clients represented 39% and 57% of total revenue in 2012, respectively. We have experienced long-term relationships with our top five clients, ranging from six to 17 years, with the majority of these clients having completed multiple contract renewals with us.

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Certain of our communications clients also provide us with telecommunication services through transactions that are negotiated at different times and with different legal entities. These clients currently represent approximately 15% of our total annual revenue. We believe each of these supplier contracts is negotiated on an arm s length basis and that the terms are substantially the same as those that have been negotiated with unrelated vendors. Expenditures under these supplier contracts represent less than one percent of our total operating costs.

#### Competition

We compete primarily with the in-house customer experience management operations of our current and potential clients. We also compete with certain companies that provide business process outsourcing ( BPO ) services including: Accenture Ltd.; Convergys Corporation; Genpact Limited, Sykes Enterprises Incorporated, IBM and Teleperformance, among others.

We compete primarily on the basis of our 30 years of experience, our global locations, our quality and scope of services, our speed and flexibility of implementation, our technological expertise, and our total value delivered and contractual terms. A number of competitors may have different capabilities and resources than ours. Additionally, niche providers or new entrants could capture a segment of the market by developing new systems or services that could impact our market potential.

#### Seasonality

Historically, we experience a seasonal increase in revenue in the fourth quarter related to higher volumes from clients primarily in retail and other industries with seasonal businesses. Also, our operating margins in the first quarter are impacted by higher payroll-related taxes predominantly in our U.S. workforce.

#### **Employees**

As of December 31, 2012, we had approximately 43,000 employees in 25 countries. Approximately 86% of these employees held full-time positions and 68% were located outside of the U.S. We have approximately 5,625 employees outside the U.S. and Canada covered by collective bargaining agreements. In most cases, the collective bargaining agreements are mandated under national labor laws. These collective bargaining agreements include employees in the following countries:

- In Argentina, approximately 100 employees are covered by an industry-wide collective bargaining agreement with the Confederation of Commerce Employees that is scheduled to be renegotiated in April 2013;
- In Brazil, approximately 1,200 employees are covered by industry-wide collective bargaining agreements with Sintratel and SintelMark that expire in December 2013;
- In Mexico, we have approximately 3,950 employees covered by an industry-wide collective bargaining agreement with the Federacion Obrero Sindicalista that expired in January 2013 and is currently being re-negotiated:

- In Australia, approximately 75 employees are covered by a collective agreement adopted by TeleTech International, Pty. Ltd. under the provisions of the Contract Call Centres Award 2010 which had a nominal expiry in August 2012, but which will continue in force until terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Fair Work Act 2009; and
- In Ghana, approximately 300 employees are covered by a collective agreement adopted by TeleTech Customer Care Management (Ghana) Limited under the provisions of the Collective Agreement between TeleTech Customer Care Management Ghana Ltd. and Communication Workers Union of Ghana Trades Union Congress that expires in March 2014.

We anticipate that these agreements will be renewed and that any renewals will not impact us in a manner materially different from all other companies covered by such industry-wide agreements. We believe that our relations with our employees and unions are satisfactory. We have not experienced any material work stoppages in our ongoing business.

#### **Intellectual Property and Proprietary Technology**

Our success is partially dependent upon certain proprietary technologies and core intellectual property. We have a number of pending patent applications in the U.S. and foreign countries. Our technology is also protected under copyright laws. Additionally, we rely on trade secret protection and confidentiality and proprietary information agreements to protect our proprietary technology. We and our subsidiaries have trademarks or registered trademarks in the U.S. and other countries, including TELETECH®, the TELETECH GLOBE Design, TELETECH GIGAPOP®, TELETECH GLOBAL VENTURES®, HIREPOINT®, IDENTIFY!®, IDENTIFY! PLUS®, WORKBOOTH®, TOTAL DELIVERED VALUE®, YOUR CUSTOMER MANAGEMENT PARTNER®, REVANATM, 1TO1®, PEPPERS AND ROGERS GROUP®, ELOYALTY® and the ELOYALTY Design. We believe that several of our trademarks are of material importance. Some of our proprietary technology is licensed to others under corresponding license agreements. Some of our technology is licensed from others. While our competitive position could be affected by our ability to protect our intellectual property, we believe that we have generally taken commercially reasonable steps to protect our intellectual property.

## **Our Corporate Information**

Our principal executive offices are located at 9197 South Peoria Street, Englewood, Colorado 80112 and the telephone number at that address is (303) 397-8100. Electronic copies of our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, Proxy Statements and any amendments to these reports are available free of charge by (i) visiting the Investors section of our website at <a href="http://www.teletech.com">http://www.teletech.com</a> or (ii) sending a written request to Investor Relations at our corporate headquarters or to <a href="mailto:investor.relations@teletech.com">investor.relations@teletech.com</a>. The public may read and copy any materials that we file with the SEC at the SEC s Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Room 1580, Washington, DC 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC at <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>. Information on our website is not incorporated by reference into this report.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

In evaluating our business, you should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties discussed in this section, in addition to the other information presented in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The risks and uncertainties described below may not be the only risks that we face. If any of these risks or uncertainties actually occurs, our business, financial condition or results of operation could be materially adversely affected and the market price of our common stock may decline.

### Changes in U.S. and global economic conditions could have an adverse effect on the profitability of our business

Our business is directly affected by the performance of our clients and general economic conditions. Turmoil in the financial markets has adversely affected economic activity in the U.S. and other regions of the world in which we do business. There is evidence that this is affecting demand for some of our services. In substantially all of our client programs, we generate revenue based, in large part, on the amount of time our employees devote to our clients—customers. Consequently, the amount of revenue generated from any particular client program is dependent upon consumers—interest in and use of our client—s products and/or services, which may be adversely affected by general economic conditions. Our clients may not be able to market or develop

products and services that require their customers to use our services, especially as a result of the downturn in the U.S. and worldwide economy. Furthermore, a decline in our clients business or performance, including possible client bankruptcies, could impair their ability to pay for our services. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows would be adversely affected if any of our major clients were unable or unwilling, for any reason, to pay for our services.

A large portion of our revenue is generated from a limited number of clients, and the loss of one or more of our clients could cause a reduction in our revenue and operating results

We rely on strategic, long-term relationships with large, global companies in targeted industries. As a result, we derive a substantial portion of our revenue from relatively few clients. Our five largest clients collectively represented 39% of revenue in 2012 and 37% of revenue in 2011. Our ten largest clients represented 57% of revenue in 2012 and 56% of revenue in 2011. We had one client that represented 10% of our revenue in 2012.

We believe that a substantial portion of our total revenue will continue to be derived from a relatively small number of our clients in the future. The contracts with our five largest clients expire between 2014 and 2016. We cannot provide any assurance that we will continue to renew any of these contracts or, if renewed, that new contracts will be on terms as favorable as the existing contracts. The volumes and profit margins of our most significant programs may decline and we may not be able to replace such clients or programs with clients or programs that generate comparable revenue and profits. The loss of all or part of a major client s business could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Client consolidations could result in a loss of clients or contract concessions that would adversely affect our operating results

We serve clients in targeted industries that have historically experienced a significant level of consolidation. If one of our clients is acquired by another company (including another one of our clients), provisions in certain of our contracts allow these clients to cancel or renegotiate their contracts, or to seek contract concessions. Such consolidations may result in the termination or phasing out of an existing client contract, volume discounts and other contract concessions that could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Our concentration of business activities in certain geographic areas subjects us to risks that may harm our results of operations and financial condition

We have delivery centers in many countries, and some business activities may be concentrated in certain geographic areas, including the Philippines and Latin America. As a result, we are subject to risks that may interrupt or limit our ability to operate our delivery centers or increase the cost of operating in these geographic areas, which could harm our results of operations and financial condition, including:

- security concerns, such as armed conflict and civil or military unrest, crime, political instability or terrorist activity;
- health concerns;
- natural disasters;
- inefficient and limited infrastructure and disruptions, such as large-scale outages or interruptions of service from utilities, transportation, or telecommunications providers;

- restrictions on our operations by governments seeking to support local industries, nationalization of our operations, and restrictions on our ability to repatriate earnings;
- differing employment practices, prevailing wage rates and labor issues;
- local business and cultural factors that differ from our normal standards and practices, including business practices that
  we are prohibited from engaging in by the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and other anti-corruption laws and regulations;
  and
- regulatory requirements and prohibitions that differ among jurisdictions.

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We may be disproportionately exposed to interruption of or limitations to the operation of our business or increases in operating costs in these geographic areas due to these or other factors. As a result, any interruption or limitation of, or increase in costs related to, our operations in these geographic areas could harm our results of operations and financial condition.

Unauthorized disclosure of sensitive or confidential client and customer data could expose us to protracted and costly litigation, penalties and cause us to lose clients

We are dependent on IT networks and systems to process, transmit and store electronic information and to communicate among our locations around the world and with our alliance partners and clients. Security breaches of this infrastructure could lead to shutdowns or disruptions of our systems and potential unauthorized disclosure of confidential information. We are also required at times to manage, utilize and store sensitive or confidential client or customer data. As a result, we are subject to numerous U.S. and foreign laws and regulations designed to protect this information, such as the European Union Directive on Data Protection and various U.S. federal and state laws governing the protection of health or other individually identifiable information. If any person, including any of our employees, negligently disregards or intentionally breaches our established controls with respect to such data or otherwise mismanages or misappropriates that data, we could be subject to monetary damages, fines and/or criminal prosecution. Unauthorized access or disclosure of sensitive or confidential client or customer data, whether through systems failure, employee negligence, malfeasance, fraud, misappropriation, or other disruptions could damage our reputation and cause us to lose clients. Similarly, unauthorized access to, or destruction of, data through our information systems or those we develop for our clients, whether by our employees or third parties, could result in negative publicity, legal liability and damage to our reputation, business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

## Compliance with laws, including changes to such laws, could adversely affect our results of operations

Our businesses are subject to extensive regulation by federal, state, local and foreign authorities, primarily relating to confidential client and customer data and customer communications. Costs of compliance with federal, state, local and foreign existing and future regulations could adversely affect our cash flow and profitability. If our businesses fail to comply with these regulations, we could be subject to civil or criminal liability, damages and fines. In the U.S., some of our services must comply with various federal and state regulations regarding the method of placing outbound telephone calls. Lawsuits or enforcement actions by federal, state, local and/or foreign regulatory agencies may materially increase our costs. In addition, we could incur liability for failure to comply with laws or regulations related to the portions of our clients businesses that are transferred to us.

# Our failure to deliver uninterrupted service to our clients could cause a reduction in our revenue and operating results

Our operations are dependent upon our ability to protect our facilities, computer and telecommunications equipment and software systems against damage or interruption from fire, power loss, terrorist or cyber attacks, sabotage, telecommunications interruption or failure, labor shortages, weather conditions, natural disasters and other similar events. Additionally, severe weather can cause our employees to miss work and interrupt the delivery of our services, resulting in a loss of revenue. In the event we experience a temporary or permanent interruption at one or more of our locations (including our corporate headquarters building), our business could be materially adversely affected and we may be required to pay contractual damages or face the suspension or loss of a client s business. Further, the impacts associated with global climate change, such as rising sea levels or increased and intensified storm activity, may cause increased business interruptions or may require the relocation of our facilities located in low-lying coastal areas. The failure to deliver uninterrupted service to our clients could materially and adversely affect our financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

#### Our business could be negatively impacted by security threats and other disruptions

Major equipment failures, natural disasters, including severe weather, terrorist acts, cyber attacks or other breaches of network or information technology security that affect our wireline and GigaPOP networks, including transport facilities, communications switches, routers, or other equipment or third-party owned local and long-distance networks on which we rely, could have a material adverse effect on our operations. In addition to disrupting service and operations, these events could require significant resources and result in a loss of clients or impair our ability to attract new clients, which in turn could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Our financial results depend on our capacity utilization, in particular our ability to forecast our clients customer demand and make corresponding decisions regarding staffing levels, investments and operating expenses

Our delivery center utilization rates have a substantial and direct effect on our profitability, and we may not achieve desired utilization rates. Our utilization rates are affected by a number of factors, including:

- Our ability to maintain and increase capacity in each of our delivery centers during peak and non-peak hours;
- Our ability to predict our clients customer demand for our services and thereby to make corresponding decisions regarding staffing levels, investments and other operating expenditures in each of our delivery center locations;
- Our ability to hire and assimilate new employees and manage employee turnover; and
- Our need to devote time and resources to training, professional development and other non-chargeable activities.

However, because the majority of our business is inbound from our clients—customer-initiated encounters, we have significantly higher utilization during peak (weekday) periods than during off-peak (night and weekend) periods. We have experienced periods of idle capacity, particularly in our multi-client delivery centers. Historically, we experience idle peak period capacity upon opening a new delivery center or termination or completion of a large client program. We can provide no assurance that we will be able to achieve or maintain desired delivery center capacity utilization. As a result of the fixed costs associated with each delivery center, quarterly variations in client volumes, many of which are outside our control, can have a material adverse effect on our utilization rates. If our utilization rates are below expectations in any given period, our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows for that period could be adversely affected.

Many of our contracts utilize performance pricing that link some of our fees to the attainment of various performance criteria, which could increase the variability of our revenue and operating margin

A majority of our contracts include performance clauses that condition some of our fees on the achievement of agreed-upon performance criteria. These performance criteria can be complex and often depend in some measure on actual levels of business activity. If we fail to satisfy these criteria, it could reduce our revenue under the contracts and operating margin.

Our contracts provide for early termination, which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and cash flows

Most of our contracts do not ensure that we will generate a minimum level of revenue and the profitability of each client program may fluctuate, sometimes significantly, throughout the various stages of a program. Our contracts generally enable the clients to terminate the contract or reduce customer interaction volumes. This could have a material adverse affect on our results of operations and cash flows if our larger contracts are terminated prior to the end of those contracts.

### We may not be able to offset increased costs with increased service fees under long-term contracts

Some of our larger long-term contracts allow us to increase our service fees if and to the extent certain cost or price indices increase. The majority of our expenses are payroll and payroll-related, which includes healthcare costs. Over the past several years, payroll costs, including healthcare costs, have increased at a rate much greater than that of general cost or price indices. Increases in our service fees that are based upon increases in cost or price indices may not fully compensate us for increases in labor and other costs incurred in providing services. We can provide no assurance that we will be able to recover increases in our costs through increased service fees.

# Our business and operating results may be adversely affected by risks associated with international operations and expansion

A component of our growth strategy is continued international expansion. There are risks inherent with conducting international business, including but not limited to:

- Management of personnel overseas;
- Longer payment cycles and/or difficulties in accounts receivable collections;
- Foreign currency exchange rates;
- Difficulties in complying with foreign laws;
- Unexpected changes in regulatory requirements;
- Political and social instability, as demonstrated by terrorist threats, regime change, increasing tension in the Middle East and other regions, and the resulting need for enhanced security measures; and
- Potentially adverse tax consequences.

Any one or more of these or other factors could have a material adverse effect on our international operations and, consequently, on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flow. We can provide no assurance that we will be able to manage our international operations successfully.

#### Our financial results may be adversely impacted by foreign currency exchange risk

We serve an increasing number of our clients from delivery centers in other countries such as Argentina, Canada, Costa Rica, Mexico, and the Philippines. Contracts with these clients are typically priced, invoiced, and paid in U.S. dollars or other foreign currencies while the costs incurred to operate these delivery centers are denominated in the functional currency of the applicable operating subsidiary. Therefore, fluctuations between the currencies of the contracting and operating subsidiary present foreign currency exchange risks. In addition, because our financial statements are denominated in U.S. dollars, and approximately 25% of our revenue is derived from contracts denominated in other currencies, our results of operations and revenue could be adversely affected if the U.S. dollar strengthens significantly against foreign currencies.

While we enter into forward and option contracts (collars) to hedge against the effect of exchange rate fluctuations, the foreign exchange exposure between the contracting and operating subsidiaries is not hedged 100%. Since the operating subsidiary assumes the foreign exchange exposure, its operating margins could decrease if the operating subsidiary s currency strengthens against the contracting subsidiary s currency. For example, our operating subsidiaries are at risk if their functional currency strengthens against the contracting subsidiary s currency (typically the U.S. dollar). If the U.S. dollar devalues against the operating subsidiaries functional currency, the financial results of those operating subsidiaries and TeleTech (upon consolidation) will be negatively affected. While our hedging strategy is structured to offset a portion of these foreign currency changes, we can provide no assurance that we will be able to continue to successfully hedge this foreign currency exchange risk or that the value of the U.S. dollar will not materially weaken. If we fail to manage our foreign currency exchange risk, our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be adversely affected.

# We are subject to counterparty credit risk and market risk with respect to financial transactions with our financial institutions

The global economic and credit crisis weakened the creditworthiness of many financial institutions, and in some circumstances caused previously financially solvent financial institutions to file for bankruptcy.

The counterparties to our hedge transactions are financial institutions or affiliates of financial institutions, and we are subject to risks that these counterparties become insolvent and fail to perform their financial obligations under these hedge transactions. Our hedging exposure to counterparty credit risk is not secured by any collateral. If one or more of the counterparties to one or more of our hedge transactions becomes subject to insolvency proceedings, we will become an unsecured creditor in those proceedings with a claim equal to our exposure at the time under those transactions. Our primary exposure will depend on many factors but, generally, our credit exposure will depend on foreign exchange rate movements relative to the contracted foreign exchange rate and whether any gains result that are not realized due to a counterparty default. We can provide no assurances as to the financial stability or viability of any of our counterparties.

We also have a revolving credit facility with a syndicate of financial institutions, and interest rate swaps with counterparty banks. We can provide no assurances as to the financial stability or viability of these financial and other institutions and their ability to fund their obligations when required under our agreements.

#### Our credit facility contains covenant restrictions that may limit our ability to operate our business

Our credit facility contains operating and financial restrictions and covenants that impose operating and financial restrictions on us and require us to meet certain financial tests. Complying with these covenant restrictions may limit our ability to engage in certain transactions or activities, including incurring additional indebtedness, making certain investments and capital expenditures, acquisitions, selling certain assets, stock repurchases, payment of existing obligations, or replenishment of cash reserves.

As a result of these covenant restrictions, our ability to respond to changes in business and economic conditions and to obtain additional financing, if needed, may be restricted, and we may be prevented from engaging in transactions that might otherwise be beneficial to us. Our ability to comply with these covenants is dependent on our future performance, which will be subject to many factors, some of which are beyond our control, including prevailing economic conditions. In addition, the failure to comply with these covenants may result in a default under our credit facility. We can provide no assurance that we will be able to meet the

financial covenants under our debt agreements or, in the event of noncompliance, will be able to obtain waivers or amendments from the lenders. Upon the occurrence of such an event of default, the lenders under our credit facilities could elect to declare all amounts outstanding under such credit facilities, together with accrued interest, to be immediately due and payable. If the lenders accelerate the payment of the indebtedness under our credit facilities, we cannot assure you that the assets securing such indebtedness would be sufficient to repay in full that indebtedness and our other indebtedness, which could have a material and adverse affect on our financial condition.

Our global operations expose us to numerous and sometimes conflicting legal and regulatory requirements in which violations or changes could threaten our ability to continue to operate

Because we provide services to our clients customers, who reside in 90 countries, we are subject to numerous, and sometimes conflicting, legal regimes on matters as diverse as import/export controls, content requirements, trade restrictions, tariffs, taxation, sanctions, government affairs, immigration, internal and disclosure control obligations, data privacy and labor relations. Violations of these regulations could result in liability for monetary damages, fines and/or criminal prosecution, unfavorable publicity, restrictions on our ability to process information and allegations by our clients that we have not performed our contractual obligations.

Changes in U.S. federal, state and international laws and regulations may adversely affect the sale of our services, including expansion of overseas operations. Changes in these regulations and requirements, or new restrictive regulations and requirements, may slow the growth of our services or require us to incur substantial costs. Changes in laws and regulations could also mandate significant and costly changes to the way we implement our services and solutions, such as preventing us from using offshore resources to provide our services, or could impose additional taxes on the provision of our services and solutions. These changes could threaten our ability to continue to serve certain markets.

#### Closing or consolidating underutilized delivery centers can adversely impact our results of operations

From time to time we may consolidate or close underutilized or under-performing delivery centers in order to maintain or improve targeted utilization and margins. In the event we close delivery centers in the future, we may be required to record restructuring or impairment charges, which could adversely impact our results of operations.

Our financial results and projections may be impacted by our ability to maintain and find new locations for our delivery centers in countries with stable wage rates

Our industry is labor-intensive and the majority of our operating costs relate to wages, employee benefits and employment taxes. As a result, our future growth is dependent upon our ability to find cost-effective locations in which to operate, both domestically and internationally. Some of our delivery centers are located in countries that have experienced rising standards of living, which may in turn require us to increase employee wages. In addition, approximately 5,625 employees outside the U.S. are covered by collective bargaining agreements. Although we anticipate that the terms of agreements will not impact us in a manner materially different than other companies located in these countries, we may not be able to pass increased labor costs on to our clients. We can provide no assurance that we will be able to find cost-effective locations. Any increases in labor costs may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

We depend on our senior management and key personnel and we may have difficulty attracting and retaining qualified professionals

Our future operating results depend to a large extent upon the continued contributions of key senior managers and personnel. In addition, we are dependent on our ability to attract, train, retain and motivate highly skilled employees. However, there is significant competition for employees with the requisite level of experience and qualifications. If we cannot attract, train, retain and motivate qualified personnel, we may be unable to compete effectively and our growth may be limited, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and prospects.

#### If we fail to recruit, hire, train and retain key qualified employees, our business will be adversely affected

Our business is labor intensive and places significant importance on our ability to recruit, train, and retain qualified personnel. Demand for qualified management and technical professionals conversant in multiple languages, including English, and/or certain technologies may exceed supply, as new and additional skills are required to keep pace with evolving technologies. We generally experience high employee turnover and are continuously required to recruit and train replacement personnel as a result of a changing and expanding work force. In addition, certain delivery centers are located in geographic areas with relatively low unemployment rates, which could make it more costly to hire qualified personnel. Our ability to locate and train employees is critical to achieving our growth objective. Our inability to attract and retain qualified personnel or an increase in wages or other costs of attracting, training, or retaining qualified personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

The customer experience markets are highly competitive, and we might not be able to compete effectively which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations

Our ability to compete depends on a number of factors, including our ability to:

- Initiate, develop and maintain new client relationships;
- Maintain and expand existing client programs;
- Staff and equip suitable delivery center facilities in a timely manner;
- Differentiate our services from our competitors through the use of technologies and products that are not outdated or obsolete; and
- Develop new solutions and enhance existing solutions we provide to our clients.

Moreover, we compete with a variety of companies with respect to our offerings, including:

- Large multinational providers, including the service arms of large global technology providers;
- Offshore service providers in lower-cost locations that offer services similar to those we offer, often at highly competitive prices;
- Niche solution or service providers that compete with us in a specific geographic market, industry segment or service area: and
- Most importantly, the in-house operations of clients or potential clients.

Because our primary competitors are the in-house operations of existing or potential clients, our performance and growth could be adversely affected if our existing or potential clients decide to provide in-house customer experience services they currently outsource, or retain or increase their in-house customer experience services and product support capabilities. In addition, competitive pressures from current or future competitors also could cause our services to lose market acceptance or put downward

pressure on the prices we charge for our services and on our operating margins. If we are unable to provide our clients with superior services and solutions at competitive prices, our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be adversely affected.

We may not be able to develop our services and solutions in response to changes in technology and client demand which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations

Our success depends on our ability to develop and implement systems technology and outsourcing services and solutions that anticipate and respond to rapid and continuing changes in technology, industry developments and client needs. Our continued growth and future profitability will be highly dependent on a number of factors, including our ability to develop new technologies that:

- Expand our existing solutions and offerings;
- Achieve cost efficiencies in our existing delivery center operations; and
- Introduce new solutions that leverage and respond to changing technological developments.

We may not be successful in anticipating or responding to these developments on a timely basis. Our integration of new technologies may not achieve their intended cost reductions and services and technologies offered by current or future competitors may make our service offerings uncompetitive or obsolete. Our failure to maintain our technological capabilities or to respond effectively to technological changes could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Disruption to the Company s supply chain for the Customer Technology Services segment could adversely affect our business

Damage or disruption to the suppliers for the Company s Customer Technology Services segment or to the Company s distribution capabilities due to weather, natural disaster, fire, terrorism, pandemic, strikes, or other reasons could impair the Customer Technology Services Segment s ability to sell its products and services. Failure to take adequate steps to mitigate the likelihood or potential impact of such events, or to effectively manage such events if they occur, particularly when a product is sourced from a single location, could adversely affect our business or financial results.

The products and services utilized by us and our suppliers may infringe on intellectual property rights owned by others

Some of our products and services use intellectual property that we own. We also purchase products and services from suppliers, including device suppliers and service providers that incorporate or utilize intellectual property. We and some of our suppliers and service providers have received, and may receive in the future, assertions and claims from third parties that the products of software utilized by us or our suppliers and service providers infringe on the patents or other intellectual property rights of these third parties. These claims could require us or an infringing supplier or service provider to cease certain activities or to cease selling

the relevant products and services. These claims and assertions also could subject us to costly litigation and significant liabilities for damages or royalty payments, or require us to cease certain activities or to cease selling certain products and services.

Difficulties in protecting or enforcing our intellectual property and contractual rights may have an adverse affect business and operations

Some of the intellectual property developed by us may not receive favorable treatment from the United States Patent and Trademark Office or similar foreign intellectual property adjudication and registration agencies. Intellectual property for which we have a patent pending status may not be granted a patent or may be determined to have been filed later than similar technologies products and services or may be determined to materially conflict with similar technologies, products and services. Due to the varying degrees of development of the legal systems of the countries in which we operate, local laws might be insufficient to protect our contractual and intellectual property rights, among other rights. All of these factors could in turn have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

If we fail to integrate businesses and assets that we may acquire through joint ventures or acquisitions, we may lose clients and our liquidity, capital resources and profitability may be adversely affected

We may pursue strategic acquisitions of companies or strategic alliances in the form of joint ventures and partnerships to obtain services, technologies, industry specializations, or geographic coverage that extend or complement our existing business. Acquisitions and joint ventures often involve a number of special risks, including the following:

- We may encounter difficulties integrating acquired software, operations and personnel and our management s attention could be diverted from other business concerns;
- We may not be able to successfully incorporate acquired technology and rights into our service offerings and maintain uniform standards, controls, procedures and policies;
- The businesses or assets we acquire may fail to achieve the revenue and earnings we anticipated, causing us to incur additional debt to fund operations and to impair the assets recorded through our acquisitions;
- We may assume liabilities associated with the sale of the acquired company s products or services;
- We may face operational or other limitations on integrating businesses if we do not have a majority or controlling position;
- Our resources may be diverted in asserting and defending our legal rights or in disputes with contract counterparties, and
  we may ultimately be liable for contingent and other liabilities, not previously disclosed to us, of the companies that we
  acquire;
- Acquisitions may disrupt our ongoing business and dilute our ownership interest;
- · Acquisitions may result in litigation from sellers, former employees or third parties; and
- Due diligence may fail to identify significant issues with product quality, product architecture, ownership rights and legal contingencies, among other matters.

Any of the factors identified above could have a material adverse effect on our returns on invested capital, our business and on the market value of our common stock.

#### The growth of our operations could strain our resources and cause our business to suffer

We have made and may continue to plan and execute acquisitions and take other actions to grow our business. We can provide no assurance that such actions will be undertaken or completed in their entirety as planned. In addition to the challenges and risks relating to the integration of the acquired businesses, products, or technologies, potential future growth and the diversion of management s time and resources will continue to place a strain on our management systems, infrastructure and resources. We expect that we will need to continually evaluate and maintain our financial and managerial controls, reporting systems and procedures. We will also need to expand, train and manage our workforce worldwide. We can provide no assurances that we will manage acquisitions successfully. Future acquisitions could cause us to issue dilutive equity or incur debt, contingent liabilities, additional amortization charges from intangible assets, asset impairment charges, or impairment charges for in-process research and development and other indefinite-lived intangible assets that could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

We face risks related to health epidemics, which could disrupt our business and have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations

Our business could be materially and adversely affected by health epidemics, including, but not limited to, outbreaks of the H1N1 influenza virus (commonly known as the swine flu), the avian flu, and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS). Outbreaks of SARS in 2003 and 2004 and the avian flu in 2006, 2007 and 2008 alarmed people around the world, raising issues pertaining to health and travel and undermining confidence in the world is economy. More recently, cases of the H1N1 virus have been identified internationally, including confirmed human outbreaks and deaths. Any prolonged epidemic of the H1N1 virus, avian flu, SARS, or other contagious infection in the markets in which we do business may result in worker absences, lower asset utilization rates, voluntary closure of our offices and delivery centers, travel restrictions on our employees, and other disruptions to our business. Moreover, health epidemics may force local health and government authorities to mandate the closure of our offices and delivery centers. Any prolonged or widespread health epidemic could severely disrupt our business operations, result in a significant decrease in demand for our services, and have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

The adoption and implementation of new statutory and regulatory requirements for derivative transactions could have an adverse impact on our ability to hedge risks associated with our business

We enter into forward and option contracts to hedge against the effect of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations and interest rate fluctuations. The United States Congress has passed, and the President has signed into law, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Financial Reform Act ). The Financial Reform Act provides for new statutory and regulatory requirements for derivative transactions, including foreign currency and interest rate hedging transactions. The Financial Reform Act requires the Commodities Futures and Trading Commission to promulgate rules relating to the Financial Reform Act. Until the rules relating to the Financial Reform Act are established, we do not know how these regulations will affect us. The rules adopted by the Commodities Futures and Trading Commission may in the future impact our flexibility to execute strategic hedges to reduce foreign exchange and interest rate uncertainty and thus protect cash flows. In addition, the banks and other derivatives dealers who are our contractual counterparties will be required to comply with the Financial Reform Act is new requirements. It is possible that the costs of such compliance will be passed on to customers such as ourselves.

#### Our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer has control over all matters requiring action by our stockholders

Kenneth D. Tuchman, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, beneficially owns approximately 60.5% of our common stock. As a result, Mr. Tuchman could exercise control over all matters requiring action by our stockholders, including the election of our entire Board of Directors. Therefore, a change in control of our company could not be effected without his approval.

#### Our controls and procedures may not prevent or detect all errors or acts of fraud

Our management, including our CEO and CFO, believes that any disclosure controls and procedures or internal controls and procedures, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must consider the benefits of controls relative to their costs. Inherent limitations within a control system include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of

some persons, by collusion of two or more people or by an unauthorized override of the controls. While the design of any system of controls is to provide reasonable assurance of the effectiveness of disclosure controls, such design is also based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and such assumptions, while reasonable, may not take into account all potential future conditions. Accordingly, because of the inherent limitations in a cost effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and may not be prevented or detected.

Failure to maintain an effective system of internal control over financial reporting may have an adverse effect on our stock price

Pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to implement Section 404, we are required to furnish a report by our management to include in this Form 10-K regarding the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. The report includes, among other things, an assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of the end of our fiscal year, including a statement as to whether or not our internal control over financial reporting is effective. This assessment must include disclosure of any material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting identified by management. We have in the past discovered, and may potentially in the future discover, areas of internal control over financial reporting which may require improvement. If we are unable to assert that our internal control over financial reporting is effective now or in any future period, or if our auditors are unable to express an opinion on the effectiveness of our internal controls, we could lose investor confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports, which could have an adverse effect on our stock price.

#### ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

We have not received written comments regarding our periodic or current reports from the staff of the SEC that were issued 180 days or more preceding the end of our 2012 fiscal year that remain unresolved.

#### **ITEM 2. PROPERTIES**

Our corporate headquarters are located in Englewood, Colorado, which consists of approximately 264,000 square feet of owned office space. In addition to our headquarters and the delivery centers used by our Customer Management Services and Customer Growth Services segments discussed below, we also have small sales and consulting offices in several countries around the world which service our Customer Technology Services and Customer Strategy Services segments.

As of December 31, 2012, excluding delivery centers we have exited, we operated 50 delivery centers that are classified as follows:

- Multi-Client Center We lease space for these centers and serve multiple clients in each facility;
- Dedicated Center We lease space for these centers and dedicate the entire facility to one client; and
- Managed Center These facilities are leased or owned by our clients and we staff and manage these sites on behalf of our clients in accordance with facility management contracts.

As of December 31, 2012, our delivery centers were located in the following countries:

	Multi-Client Centers	Dedicated Centers	Managed Centers	Total Number of Delivery Centers
Argentina	-	-	2	2
Australia	2	1	-	3
Brazil	1	-	-	1
Canada	2	-	1	3
China	-	-	1	1
Costa Rica	1	-	-	1
England	-	-	1	1
Germany	-	-	1	1
Ghana	1	-	-	1
Mexico	3	-	-	3
New Zealand	1	-	-	1
Northern Ireland	1	-	-	1
Philippines	13	-	-	13
Scotland	-	1	1	2
South Africa	-	-	1	1
United States of America	8	3	4	15
Total	33	5	12	50

The leases for our delivery centers have remaining terms ranging from one to seven years and generally contain renewal options, with the exception of one center which we have subleased through the lease completion in 2021. We believe that our existing delivery centers are suitable and adequate for our current operations, and we have plans to build additional centers to accommodate future business.

#### **ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

From time to time, we have been involved in claims and lawsuits, both as plaintiff and defendant, which arise in the ordinary course of business. Accruals for claims or lawsuits have been provided for to the extent that losses are deemed both probable and estimable. Although the ultimate outcome of these claims or lawsuits cannot be ascertained, on the basis of present information and advice received from counsel, we believe that the disposition or ultimate resolution of such claims or lawsuits will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In 2009, the municipality of Sao Paulo, Brazil assessed our Brazilian subsidiary a services tax on certain equipment rental income earned in 2004 and 2005. In March 2011, our Brazilian subsidiary filed a tax annulment action in the Sao Paulo municipal court to challenge the assessment of services taxes on rental income. Further, in order to halt the possibility of any further interest being charged against the alleged due tax assessments, our Brazilian subsidiary gave a bank guarantee of 6.9 million Brazilian reais (approximately \$3.5 million USD) as of December 31, 2012. In the second quarter of 2012, the Sao Paulo municipal court issued a ruling in favor of Sao Paulo on this tax annulment action, which ruling our Brazilian subsidiary has challenged. Our Brazilian subsidiary filed this challenge in the state court of Sao Paulo which is not bound by the decision of the Sao Paulo municipal court and where a ruling is not expected for the next one to two years. Based on an opinion received from legal counsel in Brazil, the Company believes that (i) the ruling issued by the Sao Paulo municipal court was incorrect and in contravention of a Brazil Supreme Court ruling concerning the invalidity of services taxes on rental income, (ii) the Brazilian subsidiary has valid defenses against the assessed services taxes and (iii) that payment of these services taxes is not probable. Accordingly, we have not

recorded an expense in the year ended December 31, 2012 for the Sao Paulo services tax assessment.

On October 12, 2012, an amended class action complaint was filed in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Santa Clara, against TeleTech Services Corp. and Google Inc. (Google), as co-defendants. The action alleges that the defendants violated California Penal Code Section 632 by recording telephone calls made on behalf of Google to residents in California without disclosing that the calls might be recorded. The plaintiff seeks class certification, cash statutory damages and attorney fees. Pursuant to the Company s agreement with Google, Google has made a claim for full indemnification from the Company for all expenses incurred by Google in connection with the lawsuit. The ultimate outcome of this litigation, and consequently, an estimate of the possible loss, if any, related to this litigation, cannot reasonably be determined at this time. The Company intends to vigorously defend itself in these proceedings.

#### **ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES**

Not applicable.

#### **PART II**

# ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Our common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol TTEC. The following table sets forth the range of the high and low sales prices per share of the common stock for the quarters indicated as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market:

	High						
Fourth Quarter 2012	\$	18.21 \$	15.30				
Third Quarter 2012	\$	18.03 \$	15.50				
Second Quarter 2012	\$	16.81 \$	14.04				
First Quarter 2012	\$	18.23 \$	14.74				
Fourth Quarter 2011	\$	18.66 \$	14.10				
Third Quarter 2011	\$	22.39 \$	14.18				
Second Quarter 2011	\$	21.15 \$	17.31				
First Quarter 2011	\$	23.46 \$	17.80				

As of December 31, 2012, we had approximately 317 holders of record of our common stock. We have never declared or paid any dividends on our common stock and we do not expect to do so in the foreseeable future.

#### **Stock Repurchase Program**

The Company has a stock repurchase program which was initially authorized by the Company s Board of Directors in November 2001. The Board periodically authorizes additional increases to the program. As of December 31, 2012, the cumulative authorized repurchase allowance was \$537.3 million, of which we have purchased 37.2 million shares for \$511.9 million. As of December 31, 2012, the remaining allowance under the program was approximately \$25.4 million. For the period from January 1, 2013 through February 21, 2013, we have not purchased any additional shares. The stock repurchase program does not have an expiration date.

## Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities During the Fourth Quarter of 2012

The following table provides information about our repurchases of equity securities during the quarter ended December 31, 2012:

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 thousands)		
September 30, 2012		•	· ·	\$ 26,452		
October 1, 2012 - October 31, 2012	-	\$ -	-	\$ 26,452		
November 1, 2012 - November 30, 2012	804,073	\$ 16.39	804,073	\$ 13,276		
December 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012	732,576	\$ 17.55	732,576	\$ 25,419		
Total	1,536,649		1,536,649			

## **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table sets forth, as of December 31, 2012, the number of shares of our common stock to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, RSUs, warrants and rights, the weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights, and the number of securities available for future issuance under equity-based compensation plans.

Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, RSUs, Warrants and Rights (a)	Weighted- Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights (b)	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a))
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	3,396,211(1) \$	\$	13.16(2) 2,318,967
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	- \$	\$	_
Total	3,396,211		2,318,967

- (1) Includes options to purchase 1,310,699 shares and 2,085,512 RSUs issued under our equity incentive plans.
- (2) Weighted average exercise price of outstanding stock options; excludes RSUs, which have no exercise price.

## **Stock Performance Graph**

The graph depicted below compares the performance of TeleTech common stock with the performance of the NASDAQ Composite Index; the Russell 2000 Index; and customized peer group over the period beginning on December 31, 2007 and ending on December 31, 2012. We have chosen a Peer Group composed of Convergys Corporation (NYSE: CVG), Genpact Limited (NYSE: G), Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated (NASDAQ: SYKE) and Teleperformance (NYSE Euronext: RCF). We believe that the companies in the Peer Group are relevant to our current business model, market capitalization and position in the overall BPO industry.

The graph assumes that \$100 was invested on December 31, 2007 in our common stock and in each comparison index, and that all dividends were reinvested. We have not declared any dividends on our common stock. Stock price performance shown on the graph below is not necessarily indicative of future price performance.

## **COMPARISON OF 5 YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN**

Among TeleTech Holdings, Inc., The NASDAQ Composite Index,

The Russell 2000 Index, And A Peer Group

	December 31,											
	2	.007		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012
TeleTech Holdings, Inc.	\$	100	\$	39	\$	94	\$	97	\$	76	\$	84
NASDAQ Composite	\$	100	\$	59	\$	82	\$	97	\$	99	\$	111
Russell 2000	\$	100	\$	66	\$	84	\$	107	\$	102	\$	119
Peer Group	\$	100	\$	59	\$	90	\$	93	\$	82	\$	104

#### ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following selected financial data should be read in conjunction with Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, the Consolidated Financial Statements and the related notes appearing elsewhere in this Form 10-K (amounts in thousands except per share amounts).



- (1) Includes \$8.9 million in revenue generated by OnState, iKnowtion and Guidon which were acquired in 2012.
- (2) Includes \$22.5 million expense related to reductions in force, \$0.4 million expense related to facilities exit charges, and \$2.9 million expense related to the impairment of property and equipment.
- (3) Includes a \$7.6 million benefit related to Australia and New Zealand Transfer Pricing Arrangements, a \$1.4 million benefit from the release of uncertain tax positions, a \$9.2 million benefit related to restructuring charges, a \$1.9 benefit related to return to provision adjustments and \$0.1 of expense related to other discrete items.
- (4) The Company spent \$35.8 million, net of cash acquired of \$3.7 million, in 2012 for the acquisitions of OnState, iKnowtion, Guidon, and TSG through an increase in borrowings on its line of credit. Upon acquisition of these companies, the Company acquired \$65.6 million in assets and assumed \$12.4 million in liabilities (\$3.1 million in long-term liabilities). The Company also assumed a purchase price payable of \$12.7 million related to these acquisitions. Of the \$12.7 million purchase price payable, \$10.8 million was included in long-term liabilities.
- (5) Includes \$80.0 million in revenue generated by PRG and eLoyalty which were acquired in late 2010 and mid-2011, respectively.
- (6) Includes \$3.6 million expense related to reductions in force, \$0.1 million expense related to facilities exit charges, and \$0.2 million expense related to the impairment of property and equipment.

- (7) Includes an \$8.6 million expense related to the adverse decision by the Canada Revenue Agency regarding the Company s request for relief from double taxation, an \$11.7 million benefit related to the Company s mediated settlement with the IRS related to U.S. tax refund claims, a \$1.4 million benefit related to the 2010 foreign earnings repatriation, and \$0.2 million benefit for other discrete items.
- (8) The Company spent \$38.0 million for the acquisition of eLoyalty through an increase in borrowings on its line of credit. Upon acquisition of eLoyalty, the Company acquired \$64.1 million in assets and assumed \$26.1 million in liabilities (\$22.7 million in long-term liabilities).
- (9) Includes \$13.1 million expense related to reductions in force; \$0.4 million expense related to facility exit charges; and a \$2.0 million expense related to the impairment of property and equipment.
- (10) Includes a \$5.9 million gain due to the settlement of a Newgen legal claim.
- (11) Includes a \$5.6 million expense related to repatriation of \$105 million of foreign earnings previously considered permanently invested outside the U.S., an increase of \$2.5 million in the U.S. deferred tax liability related to foreign tax assets that can no longer offset taxable income in more than one jurisdiction, an increase of \$6.6 million in the deferred tax valuation allowance, and a \$2.3 million tax expense related to the legal settlement included in Other income (expense) (as discussed above), offset by a \$4.0 million benefit related to foreign tax planning strategies associated with the Company s international operations.
- (12) Includes \$5.5 million expense related to reductions in force; \$0.6 million expense related to facility exit charges; \$1.0 million benefit related to the revised estimates of facility exit charges; and a \$4.6 million expense related to the impairment of property and equipment.
- (13) Includes \$14.6 million for costs incurred for the Company s review of its equity-based compensation practices and restatement of the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (14) Includes \$3.2 million expense related to reductions in force; \$2.8 million expense related to facility exit charges; and a \$2.0 million expense related to the impairment of property and equipment.
- (15) Includes benefits due to the reversal of income tax valuation allowances of \$3.9 million for the year 2008.

# ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### **Executive Summary**

TeleTech is one of the largest and most geographically diverse global providers of technology-enabled, fully-integrated customer experience management solutions. We have a 30-year history of helping our clients maximize the value of their brand through the design and delivery of exceptional customer experiences. Our end-to-end offering originates with the design of data-rich customer-centric strategies. These customer-centric strategies are then enabled by a suite of technologies and world class operations that allow us to more effectively manage and grow the economic value of our client is customer relationships.

We have developed deep vertical industry expertise and serve approximately 200 global clients in the automotive, broadband, communications, financial services, government, healthcare, logistics, media and entertainment, retail, technology and travel industries. We target customer-focused industry leaders in the Global 1000, which are the world s largest companies based on market capitalization, due to their size, global reach and desire for a partner who can quickly and globally scale a suite of fully-integrated services. We typically enter into long-term relationships which provide us with a more predictable revenue stream. Our relationships with our top five clients have ranged from six to 17 years with the majority of these clients having completed multiple contract renewals with us.

To further improve our competitive position and stay ahead of a rapidly changing market for our services, we continue to invest in new growth areas. We believe our commitment to innovation will enable us to remain strategically relevant to our clients and to grow and diversify our revenue into higher margin, more technology-enabled services. Of the \$1,163 million in revenue we reported in 2012, approximately 21% or \$239.2 million came from customer-centric strategy, growth or technology-based services with the remainder coming from our traditional customer management services.

We have historically experienced annual attrition of existing client programs of approximately 5% to 10% of our revenue for our Customer Management Services and Customer Growth Services segments. Attrition of existing client programs during 2012 and 2011 was 8% and 5%, respectively.

Beginning in the first quarter of 2012 we aligned our operations around the following four business segments to more closely reflect our organizational structure as well as our expanding suite of customer experience management solutions.

Based on the requirements of our clients, we provide our services both on a fully-integrated and discrete basis.

#### Design Customer Strategy Services

We typically begin by engaging our clients at a strategic level. Through our data-driven management consulting expertise we help our clients design and build their customer experience strategies. We improve our clients—ability to better understand and predict their customers—behaviors and preferences along with their current and future economic value so that they can deploy resources to achieve the greatest return. Using proprietary analytic models, we provide the insight clients need to build the business case for customer centricity, to better optimize their marketing spend and then work alongside them to help implement our recommendations. A key component of this practice involves instilling a high performance culture through a lean management framework. This process optimization capability enables the client to align and cascade the recommended initiatives to ensure accountability and transparency for the ultimate achievement and sustainability of future results.

## Enable Customer Technology Services

Once the design of the customer experience is completed, our ability to architect, deploy and host or manage the client s customer management environments becomes a key enabler to achieving and sustaining the client s customer experience vision. Given the proliferation of mobile communication technologies and devices, we enable our clients operations to interact with their customers across the growing array of channels including email, social networks, mobile, web, SMS text, voice and chat. We design, implement and manage cloud, on-premise or hybrid customer management environments to deliver a consistent and superior experience across all touch points on a global scale that we believe result in higher quality, lower costs and reduced risk for our clients.

#### Manage Customer Management Services

We redesign and manage clients front-to-back office processes to deliver just-in-time, personalized, multi-channel interactions. Our front-office solutions seamlessly integrate voice, chat, e-mail, ecommerce and social media to optimize the customer experience for our clients. In addition, we manage certain back-office processes for our clients to enhance their ability to obtain a customer-centric view of their relationships and maximize operating efficiencies. Our delivery of integrated business processes via our onshore, offshore or work-from-home associates reduces operating costs and allows customer needs to be met more quickly and efficiently, resulting in higher satisfaction, brand loyalty and a stronger competitive position for our clients.

#### Grow Customer Growth Services

We offer fully integrated sales and marketing solutions to help our clients boost revenue in new, fragmented or underpenetrated business-to-consumer or business-to-business markets. We deliver approximately \$1 billion in client revenue annually via the acquisition, growth and retention of customers through a combination of our highly trained, client-dedicated sales professionals and our proprietary Revana Analytic Multichannel PlatformTM. This platform continuously aggregates individual customer information across all channels into one holistic view so as to ensure more relevant and personalized communications. These communications are dynamically triggered to send the right message to the right customer at the right time via their preferred communication channel. The ability of our sales associates to be backed by a highly scalable, technology-enabled platform that delivers smarter, more targeted digital marketing messages over email, social networks, mobile, web, SMS text, voice and chat results in higher conversion rates at a lower overall cost for our clients.

See Note 3 to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional discussion regarding the preparation of our segment information.

#### **Our 2012 Financial Results**

In 2012, our revenue decreased 1.4% to \$1,163 million over the 2011 year, which included a decrease of 1.3% or \$14.8 million due to fluctuations in foreign currency rates. Revenue decreased \$64.2 million related to the exit of unprofitable programs including our business in Spain, partially offset by the addition of 44 new clients and revenue from our acquisitions. Our 2012 income from operations decreased 16.0% to \$78.5 million or 6.8% of revenue, from \$93.5 million or 7.9% of revenue in 2011. Income from operations in 2012 included \$22.9 million and \$3.0 million of restructuring charges and asset impairments, respectively. Income from operations in 2011 included \$3.7 million and \$0.2 million of restructuring charges and impairments, respectively.

Our offshore delivery centers serve clients based both in North America and in other countries. Our offshore delivery capacity spans five countries with 18,000 workstations and currently represents 66% of our global delivery capabilities. Revenue from services provided in these offshore locations was \$492 million and represented 47% of our total revenue for 2012, as compared to \$518 million and 47% of our total revenue for 2011, with both years excluding revenue from the five acquisitions.

Our cash flow from operations and available credit allowed us to finance a significant portion of our capital needs and stock repurchases through internally generated cash flows. At December 31, 2012, we had \$164.5 million of cash and cash equivalents, total debt of \$119.5 million, and a total debt to total capitalization ratio of 19.3%. During 2012, we repurchased 5.0 million shares of our common stock for \$81.2 million under the stock repurchase program. Since inception of the program through December 31, 2012, the Board has authorized the repurchase of shares up to an aggregate value of \$537.3 million, of which we have purchased 37.2 million shares for \$511.9 million.

We internally target capacity utilization in our delivery centers at 80% to 90% of our available workstations. As of December 31, 2012, the overall capacity utilization in our multi-client centers was 79%. The table below presents workstation data for our multi-client centers as of December 31, 2012 and 2011. Dedicated and Managed Centers (2,545 and 2,761 workstations, at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively) are excluded from the workstation data as unused workstations in these facilities are not available for sale. Our utilization percentage is defined as the total number of utilized production workstations compared to the total number of available production workstations. We may change the designation of shared or dedicated centers based on the normal changes in our business environment and client needs.

	Dece	mber 31, 2012	December 31, 2011				
	Total Production Workstations	In Use	% In Use	Total Production Workstations	In Use	% In Use	
Multi-client centers							
Sites open >1 year	23,403	18,602	79%	27,443	20,449	75%	
Sites open <1 year	1,334	964	72%	1,604	327	20%	
Total multi-client centers	24,737	19,566	79%	29,047	20,776	72%	

We continue to see demand from all geographic regions to utilize our offshore delivery capabilities and expect this trend to continue with our clients. In light of this trend, we plan to continue to selectively retain capacity and expand into new offshore markets. As we grow our offshore delivery capabilities and our exposure to foreign currency fluctuations increase, we continue to actively manage this risk via a multi-currency hedging program designed to minimize operating margin volatility.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Management s Discussion and Analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our Consolidated Financial Statements, which have been prepared in accordance with GAAP. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses as well as the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. We regularly review our estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions, which are based upon historical experience and on various other factors believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Reported amounts and disclosures may have been different had management used different estimates and assumptions or if different conditions had occurred in the periods presented. Below is a discussion of the policies that we believe may involve a high degree of judgment and complexity.

### Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue when evidence of an arrangement exists, the delivery of service has occurred, the fee is fixed or determinable and collection is reasonably assured. The BPO inbound and outbound service fees are based on either a per minute, per hour, per transaction or per call basis. Certain client programs provide for adjustments to monthly billings based upon whether we achieve, exceed or fail certain performance criteria. Adjustments to monthly billings consist of contractual bonuses/penalties, holdbacks and other performance based contingencies. Revenue recognition is limited to the amount that is not contingent upon delivery of future services or meeting other specified performance conditions.

Revenue also consists of services for agent training, program launch, professional consulting, fully-hosted or managed technology and learning innovation. These service offerings may contain multiple element arrangements whereby we determine if those service offerings represent separate units of accounting. A deliverable constitutes a separate unit of accounting when it has standalone value and delivery or performance of the undelivered items is considered probable and substantially within our control. If those deliverables are determined to be separate units of accounting, revenue is recognized as services are provided. If those deliverables are not determined to be separate units of accounting, revenue for the delivered services are bundled into one unit of accounting and recognized over the life of the arrangement or at the time all services and deliverables have been delivered and satisfied. We allocate revenue to each of the deliverables based on a selling price hierarchy of vendor specific objective evidence ( VSOE ), third-party evidence, and then estimated selling price. VSOE is based on the price charged when the deliverable is sold separately. Third-party evidence is based on largely interchangeable competitor services in standalone sales to similarly situated customers. Estimated selling price is based on our best estimate of what the selling prices of deliverables would be if they were sold regularly on a standalone basis. Estimated selling price is established considering multiple factors including, but not limited to, pricing practices in different geographies, service offerings, and customer classifications. Once we allocate revenue to each deliverable, we recognize revenue when all revenue recognition criteria are met.

Periodically, we will make certain expenditures related to acquiring contracts or provide up-front discounts for future services. These expenditures are capitalized as Contract Acquisition Costs and amortized in proportion to the expected future revenue from the contract, which in most cases results in straight-line amortization over the life of the contract. Amortization of these costs is recorded as a reduction to revenue.

Income Taxes

Accounting for income taxes requires recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future income tax consequences of transactions that have been included in the Consolidated Financial Statements or tax returns. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statement and tax basis of assets and liabilities using tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. When circumstances warrant, we assess the likelihood that our net deferred tax assets will more likely than not be recovered from future projected taxable income.

We continually review the likelihood that deferred tax assets will be realized in future tax periods under the more-likely-than-not criteria. In making this judgment, we consider all available evidence, both positive and negative, in determining whether, based on the weight of that evidence, a valuation allowance is required.

We follow a two-step approach to recognizing and measuring uncertain tax positions. The first step is to determine if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on audit. The second step is to estimate and measure the tax benefit as the amount that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the tax authority. We evaluate these uncertain tax positions on a quarterly basis. This evaluation is based on the consideration of several factors including changes in facts or circumstances, changes in applicable tax law, and settlement of issues under audit.

Interest and penalties relating to income taxes and uncertain tax positions are accrued net of tax in Provision for income taxes in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

In the future, our effective tax rate could be adversely affected by several factors, many of which are outside our control. Our effective tax rate is affected by the proportion of revenue and income before taxes in the various domestic and international jurisdictions in which we operate. Further, we are subject to changing tax laws, regulations and interpretations in multiple jurisdictions in which we operate, as well as the requirements, pronouncements and rulings of certain tax, regulatory and accounting organizations. We estimate our annual effective tax rate each quarter based on a combination of actual and forecasted results of subsequent quarters. Consequently, significant changes in our actual quarterly or forecasted results may impact the effective tax rate for the current or future periods.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

We have established an allowance for doubtful accounts to reserve for uncollectible accounts receivable. Each quarter, management reviews the receivables on an account-by-account basis and assigns a probability of collection. Management s judgment is used in assessing the probability of collection. Factors considered in making this judgment include, among other things, the age of the identified receivable, client financial condition, previous client payment history and any recent communications with the client.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

We evaluate the carrying value of property, plant and equipment and definite-lived intangible assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An asset is considered to be impaired when the forecasted undiscounted cash flows of an asset group are estimated to be less than its carrying value. The amount of impairment recognized is the difference between the carrying value of the asset group and its fair value. Fair value estimates are based on assumptions concerning the amount and timing of estimated future cash flows and assumed discount rates.

Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets

We evaluate goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets for possible impairment at least annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. Similar to goodwill, the Company may first use a qualitative analysis to assess the realizability of its indefinite-lived intangible assets. The qualitative analysis will include a review of changes in economic, market and industry conditions, business strategy, cost factors, and financial performance, among others, to determine if there would be a significant decline to the fair value of an indefinite-lived intangible asset. If a quantitative analysis is completed, an indefinite-lived intangible asset (a trade name) is evaluated for possible impairment by comparing the fair value of the asset with its carrying value. Fair value was estimated as the discounted value of future revenues arising from a trade name using a royalty rate that a market participant would pay for use of that trade name. An impairment charge is recorded if the trade name is carrying value exceeds its estimated fair value.

We use a three step process to assess the realizability of goodwill based on recently adopted accounting guidance. The first step, Step 0, is a qualitative assessment that analyzes current economic indicators associated with a particular reporting unit. For example, we analyze changes in economic, market and industry conditions, business strategy, cost factors, and financial performance, among others, to determine if there would be a significant decline to the fair value of a particular reporting unit. A qualitative assessment also includes analyzing the excess fair value of a reporting unit over its carrying value from impairment

assessments performed in previous years. If the qualitative assessment indicates a stable or improved fair value, no further testing is required.

If a qualitative assessment indicates that a significant decline to fair value of a reporting unit is more likely than not, or if a reporting unit s fair value has historically been closer to its carrying value, we will proceed to Step 1 testing where we calculate the fair value of a reporting unit based on discounted future probability-weighted cash flows. If Step 1 indicates that the carrying value of a reporting unit is in excess of its fair value, we will proceed to Step 2 where the fair value of the reporting unit will be allocated to assets and liabilities as it would in a business combination. Impairment occurs when the carrying amount of goodwill exceeds its estimated fair value calculated in Step 2.

We estimate fair value using discounted cash flows of the reporting units. The most significant assumptions used in these analyses are those made in estimating future cash flows. In estimating future cash flows, we use financial assumptions in our internal forecasting model such as projected capacity utilization, projected changes in the prices we charge for our services, projected labor costs, as well as contract negotiation status. The financial and credit market volatility directly impacts our fair value measurement through our weighted average cost of capital that we use to determine our discount rate. We use a discount rate we consider appropriate for the country where the business unit is providing services. As of December 1, 2012, the Company s assessment of goodwill impairment indicated that for all but one reporting unit, the fair values of the Company s reporting units were substantially in excess of their estimated carrying values, and therefore goodwill in these reporting units was not impaired. For the one reporting unit where fair value is not substantially in excess of carrying value, the likelihood of impairment is greater if there is a change to any of the assumptions used in the calculation of fair value. Refer to the notes to the consolidated financial statements for more information on the assumptions used. If actual results differ substantially from the assumptions used in performing the impairment test, the fair value of the reporting units may be significantly lower, causing the carrying value to exceed the fair value and indicating an impairment has occurred.

#### Restructuring Liability

We routinely assess the profitability and utilization of our delivery centers and existing markets. In some cases, we have chosen to close under-performing delivery centers and complete reductions in workforce to enhance future profitability. Severance payments that occur from reductions in workforce are in accordance with postemployment plans and/or statutory requirements that are communicated to all employees upon hire date; therefore, we recognize severance liabilities when they are determined to be probable and reasonably estimable. Other liabilities for costs associated with an exit or disposal activity are recognized when the liability is incurred, rather than upon commitment to a plan.

#### Equity-Based Compensation Expense

Equity-based compensation expense for all share-based payment awards granted is determined based on the grant-date fair value. We recognize equity-based compensation expense net of an estimated forfeiture rate, and recognize compensation expense only for shares that are expected to vest on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period of the award, which is typically the vesting term of the share-based payment award. We estimate the forfeiture rate annually based on historical experience of forfeited awards.

#### Fair Value Measurement

We determine the fair value of our various assets and liabilities based on a framework which measures fair value. The framework requires fair value to be determined based on the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. We utilize market data or assumptions that we believe market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, assumptions about counterparty credit risk, including the ability of each party to execute its obligation under the contract, and the risks inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. These inputs can be readily observable, market corroborated or generally unobservable.

We primarily apply the market approach for recurring fair value measurements and endeavor to utilize the best available information. Accordingly, we utilize valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. We are able to classify fair value balances based on the observability of those inputs.

The valuation techniques we use establish a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurement) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurement). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the reporting date. 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 1 primarily consists of financial instruments such as exchange-traded derivatives, listed equities and U.S. government treasury securities.
- Level 2 Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets included in Level 1, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date. Level 2 includes those financial instruments that are valued using models or other valuation methodologies. These models are primarily industry-standard models that consider various assumptions, including quoted forward prices for commodities, time value, volatility factors, and current market and contractual prices for the underlying instruments, as well as other relevant economic measures. Substantially all of these assumptions are observable in the marketplace throughout the full term of the instrument, can be derived from observable data or are supported by observable levels at which transactions are executed in the marketplace. Instruments in this category include non-exchange-traded derivatives such as over-the-counter forwards, options and repurchase agreements.
- Level 3 Pricing inputs include significant inputs that are generally less observable from objective sources. These inputs may be used with internally developed methodologies that result in management s best estimate of fair value from the perspective of a market participant. Level 3 instruments include those that may be more structured or otherwise tailored to customers needs. At each balance sheet date, we perform an analysis of all instruments subject to fair value measurements and include in Level 3 all of those whose fair value is based on significant unobservable inputs.

#### **Derivatives**

We enter into foreign exchange forward and option contracts to reduce our exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations that are associated with forecasted revenue in non-functional currencies. We enter into interest rate swaps to reduce our exposure to interest rate fluctuations on our variable rate debt. Upon proper qualification, these contracts are accounted for as cash flow hedges under current accounting standards. From time-to-time, we also enter into foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge our net investment in a foreign operation.

All derivative financial instruments are reported in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value. Changes in fair value of derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges are recorded in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), a component of Stockholders 
Equity, to the extent they are deemed effective. Based on the criteria established by current accounting standards, all of our cash flow hedge contracts are deemed to be highly effective. Changes in fair value of any net investment hedge are recorded in cumulative translation adjustment in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets offsetting the change in cumulative translation adjustment attributable to the hedged portion of our net investment in the foreign operation. Any realized gains or losses resulting from the foreign currency cash flow hedges are recognized together with the hedged transactions within Revenue. Any realized gains or losses resulting from the interest rate swaps are recognized in interest income (expense). Gains and losses from the settlements of our net investment hedges remain in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) until partial or complete liquidation of the applicable net investment.

We also enter into fair value derivative contracts to reduce our exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations associated with changes in asset and liability balances. Changes in the fair value of derivative instruments designated as fair value hedges affect the carrying value of the asset or liability hedged, with changes in both the derivative instrument and the hedged asset or liability being recognized in Other income (expense), net in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

While we expect that our derivative instruments will continue to be highly effective and in compliance with applicable accounting standards, if our hedges did not qualify as highly effective or if we determine that forecasted transactions will not occur, the changes in the fair value of the derivatives used as hedges would be reflected currently in earnings.
Contingencies
We record a liability for pending litigation and claims where losses are both probable and reasonably estimable. Each quarter, management reviews all litigation and claims on a case-by-case basis and assigns probability of loss and range of loss.
Explanation of Key Metrics and Other Items
Cost of Services
Cost of services principally include costs incurred in connection with our customer management services, including direct labor, telecommunications, technology costs, printing, sales and use tax and certain fixed costs associated with the delivery centers. In addition, cost of services includes income related to grants we may receive from local or state governments as an incentive to locate delivery centers in their jurisdictions which reduce the cost of services for those facilities.
Selling, General and Administrative
Selling, general and administrative expenses primarily include costs associated with administrative services such as sales, marketing, product development, legal settlements, legal, information systems (including core technology and telephony infrastructure) and accounting and finance. It also includes outside professional fees (i.e., legal and accounting services), building expense for non-delivery center facilities and other items associated with general business administration.
Restructuring Charges, Net
Restructuring charges, net primarily include costs incurred in conjunction with reductions in force or decisions to exit facilities, including termination benefits and lease liabilities, net of expected sublease rentals.
Interest Expense

Interest expense includes interest expense and amortization of debt issuance costs associated with our debts and capitalized lease obligations.
Other Income
The main components of other income are miscellaneous income not directly related to our operating activities, such as foreign exchange transaction gains.
Other Expenses
The main components of other expenses are expenditures not directly related to our operating activities, such as foreign exchange transaction losses.
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#### **Presentation of Non-GAAP Measurements**

Free Cash Flow

Free cash flow is a non-GAAP liquidity measurement. We believe that free cash flow is useful to our investors because it measures, during a given period, the amount of cash generated that is available for debt obligations and investments other than purchases of property, plant and equipment. Free cash flow is not a measure determined by GAAP and should not be considered a substitute for income from operations, net income, net cash provided by operating activities, or any other measure determined in accordance with GAAP. We believe this non-GAAP liquidity measure is useful, in addition to the most directly comparable GAAP measure of net cash provided by operating activities, because free cash flow includes investments in operational assets. Free cash flow does not represent residual cash available for discretionary expenditures, since it includes cash required for debt service. Free cash flow also includes cash that may be necessary for acquisitions, investments and other needs that may arise.

The following table reconciles net cash provided by operating activities to free cash flow for our consolidated results (amounts in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,									
		2012		2011	2010					
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	106,920	\$	113,799	\$	134,455				
Less: Purchases of property, plant and equipment		40,543(1)		38,310(1)		26,800(1)				
Free cash flow	\$	66,377	\$	75,489	\$	107,655				

(1) Purchases of property, plant and equipment for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011, and 2010 are net of proceeds from a government grant of \$0.1 million, \$0.4 million, and zero, respectively.

We discuss factors affecting free cash flow between periods in the Liquidity and Capital Resources section below.

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

## Year Ended December 31, 2012 Compared to December 31, 2011

The tables included in the following sections are presented to facilitate an understanding of Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and present certain information by segment for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 (amounts in thousands). All inter company transactions between the reported segments for the periods presented have been eliminated.

#### Customer Management Services

	Year Ended I	Decemb	per 31,		
	2012		2011	\$ Change	% Change
Revenue	\$ 923,774	\$	983,627	\$ (59,853)	-6.1%
Operating Income	60,271		71,945	(11,674)	-16.2%

The decrease in revenue for the Customer Management Services segment was attributable to a \$50.9 million net increase in client programs offset by a \$64.2 million reduction related to the exit of certain unprofitable programs including our business in Spain, program completions of \$33.5 million, and a \$13.1 million decrease in realized gains on cash flow hedges and negative changes in foreign exchange translation.

The operating income as a percentage of revenue decreased to 6.5% in 2012 as compared to 7.3% in 2011. During 2012, we recorded \$15.5 million in restructuring and impairment charges as a result of our decision to exit Spain and an incremental \$8.2 million in restructuring charges and impairment in other locations to better align our capacity and workforce with the current business needs. These charges were offset in part by increases in margins based on the rationalization of unprofitable programs as described above and the related reduction in capacity. The margin also benefited from a \$4.6 million accrual release for salaries expense due to an authoritative ruling in Spain related to the legally required cost of living adjustments for our employees salaries, a \$4.8 million decrease in depreciation expense related to assets which are now fully depreciated, and \$3.7 million related to the finalization of certain real estate and employee related expenses.

#### Customer Growth Services

	Year Ended I	Decemb	er 31,		
	2012		2011	\$ Change	% Change
Revenue	\$ 100,772	\$	95,629	\$ 5,143	5.4%
Operating Income	2,258		6,387	(4,129)	-64.6%

The increase in revenue for the Customer Growth Services segment was due to a net increase in client programs of \$18.2 million offset by program completions of \$13.1 million.

The operating income as a percentage of revenue decreased to 2.2% in 2012 as compared to 6.7% in 2011. This decline was primarily due to a \$1.8 million charge related to the impairment of the trade-name intangible asset due to the rebranding of our Direct Alliance subsidiary to Revana during the first quarter of 2012, other expenses incurred in connection with this rebranding, and increases in employee related expenses including salaries and benefits.

Customer Technology Services

Year Ended December 31,									
201	2		2011		\$ Change	% Change			
\$	96,848	\$	66,978	\$	29,870	44.6%			
	15,714		13,652		2,062	15.1%			
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	201	\$ 96,848 15,714	<b>2012</b> \$ 96,848 \$ 15,714	\$ 96,848 \$ 66,978 15,714 13,652	<b>2012</b> \$ 96,848 \$ 66,978 \$ 15,714 13,652	2012     2011     \$ Change       \$ 96,848     \$ 66,978     \$ 29,870       15,714     13,652     2,062			

The increase in revenue for the Customer Technology Services segment was primarily related to a full year of operations for our 2011 acquisition of eLoyalty Corporation ( eLoyalty ) which occurred on May 28, 2011.

The operating income as a percentage of revenue decreased to 16.2% in 2012 as compared to 20.4% in 2011. This decrease was related to the acquisition of eLoyalty as discussed above which results in a change in the mix of revenue from purely hosted solutions to both hosted and managed solutions. There were also investments in sales and marketing and additional amortization expense for the customer relationship asset related to the acquisition of eLoyalty.

Customer Strategy Services

		Year Ended [	Decemb	oer 31,		
	2012		2011		\$ Change	% Change
Revenue	\$	41,587	\$	33,154	\$ 8,433	25.4%
Operating Income		302		1,470	(1,168)	-79.5%

The increase in revenue for the Customer Strategy Services segment was due to an \$8.9 million increase due to the acquisition of iKnowtion, LLC (iKnowtion) and Guidon Performance Solutions (Guidon) and a \$0.5 million net increase in consulting revenue partially offset by a \$1.0 million decrease due to negative changes in foreign exchange translations.

The operating income as a percentage of revenue decreased to 0.7% in 2012 as compared to 4.4% in 2011. This decrease was related to an increased investment in geographic expansion, additional amortization expense for the customer relationship assets of iKnowtion and Guidon and negative changes in foreign exchange translation, offset partially by the acquisitions of iKnowtion and Guidon.

Other Income (Expense)

For 2012, interest income decreased to \$3.0 million from \$3.1 million in 2011. Interest expense increased to \$6.7 million during 2012 from \$5.1 million during 2011. This increase was due to a higher outstanding balance on our credit facility and additional expense related to the interest rate swap arrangements.

Income Taxes

The reported effective tax rate for 2012 was (0.1)% as compared to 14.5% for 2011. The effective tax rate for 2012 was impacted by earnings in international jurisdictions currently under an income tax holiday, and a \$7.6 million tax benefit related to Australia and New Zealand transfer pricing, a \$1.4 million benefit from the release of uncertain tax positions, a \$9.2 million benefit related to restructuring charges, a \$1.9 million benefit related to return to provision adjustments and \$0.1 million of expense related to other discrete items. Without these items our effective tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2012 would have been 19.9%. In the year ended December 31, 2011, our effective tax rate would have been 19.7% without a \$8.7 million expense related to the

adverse decision by the Canada Revenue Agency regarding our request for relief from double taxation, a \$11.7 million benefit related to our mediated settlement with the IRS related to U.S. tax refund claims, a \$1.4 million benefit related to the foreign earnings repatriation and a \$0.3 million benefit for other discrete items recognized during the period.

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

### Year Ended December 31, 2011 Compared to 2010

The tables included in the following sections are presented to facilitate an understanding of Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and present certain information by segment for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 (amounts in thousands). All inter company transactions between the reported segments for the periods presented have been eliminated.

Customer Management Services

	Year Ended	Decemb	per 31,			
	2011		2010	\$ Change	% Change	
Revenue	\$ 983,627	\$	1,001,520	\$ (17,893)	-1.8%	
Operating Income	71,945		62,403	9,542	15.3%	

The decrease in revenue for the Customer Management Services segment was attributable to a \$1.0 million net increase in client programs and a \$23.1 million increase in realized gains on cash flow hedges and changes in foreign exchange translation, offset by program completions of \$42.0 million.

The operating income as a percentage of revenue increased to 7.3% for 2011 as compared to 6.2% in 2010. During 2011, we recorded \$3.5 million in restructuring charges to better align our capacity and workforce with the current business needs as compared to \$13.5 million during 2010. The increase in operating income was also due to an \$8.9 million decrease in depreciation expense related to assets which are now fully depreciated and decreases in telecommunication and facility and occupancy expenses.

Customer Growth Services

	Year Ended D	)ecemb	er 31,			
	2011		2010	\$ Change	% Change	
Revenue	\$ 95,629	\$	78,991	\$ 16,638	21.1%	
Operating Income	6,387		4,305	2,082	48.4%	

The increase in revenue for the Customer Growth Services segment was due to a net increase in client programs of \$28.9 million partially offset by program completions of \$12.3 million.

The operating income as a percentage of revenue increased to 6.7% in 2011 as compared to 5.4% in 2010. This increase was directly attributable to the revenue increase noted above.

Customer Technology Services

	Year Ended D	ecemb)	per 31,			
	2011		2010	\$ Change	% Change	
Revenue	\$ 66,978	\$	12,123	\$ 54,855	452.5%	
Operating Income	13,652		7,316	6,336	86.6%	

The increase in revenue for the Customer Technology Services segment was related to the acquisition of eLoyalty on May 28, 2011.

The operating income as a percentage of revenue decreased to 20.4% in 2011 as compared to 60.3% in 2010. This decrease was related to the acquisition of eLoyalty as discussed above which results in a change in the mix of revenue from purely hosted solutions to both hosted and managed solutions. There were also additional investments in sales and marketing and additional amortization expense for the customer relationship asset related to the acquisition of eLoyalty.

#### Customer Strategy Services

	Year Ended I	Decemb	er 31,		
	2011		2010	\$ Change	% Change
Revenue	\$ 33,154	\$	2,272	\$ 30,882	1359.2%
Operating Income	1,470		(279)	1,749	626.9%

The increase in revenue for the Customer Strategy Services segment was due to the acquisition of Peppers & Rogers Group in November, 2010.

The operating income as a percentage of revenue increased to 4.4% for 2012 as compared to (12.3)% in 2010. This increase was related to the acquisition of Peppers & Rogers as described above.

Other Income (Expense)

For 2011, interest income increased to \$3.1 million from \$2.1 million in 2010, primarily due to higher cash and cash equivalent balances. Interest expense increased to \$5.1 million during 2011 from \$3.2 million during 2010. This increase was due to a higher outstanding balance on our credit facility. Other income (expense) decreased during 2011 as a result of the 2010 settlement of a Newgen Results Corporation legal claim which resulted in a gain of \$5.9 million in 2010 (see Note 23 to the accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements).

Income Taxes

The effective tax rate for 2011 was 14.5% as compared to an effective tax rate of 34.7% in 2010. The 2011 effective tax rate was negatively influenced by an adverse decision by the Canada Revenue Agency regarding the Company s request for relief from double taxation, and benefitted from a mediated settlement with the IRS related to U.S. tax refund claims, a reduction in the incremental U.S. tax expense (versus the estimate recorded in the fourth quarter of 2010) related to the Company s 2010 repatriation of \$105 million of foreign earnings, earnings reported in international jurisdictions currently under an income tax holiday, and the distribution of income between the U.S. and international tax jurisdictions. Without the \$8.7 million expense related to the adverse decision by the Canada Revenue Agency regarding the Company s request for relief from double taxation, the \$11.7 million benefit related to the Company s mediated settlement with the IRS related to U.S. tax refund claims, the \$1.4 million benefit related to the foreign earnings repatriation, and \$0.3 million benefit for other discrete items recognized during the period, the Company s effective tax rate for 2011 would have been 19.7%.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our principal sources of liquidity are our cash generated from operations, our cash and cash equivalents, and borrowings under our Credit Agreement, dated October 1, 2010 as amended March 27, 2012 (the Credit Agreement). During the year ended December 31, 2012, we generated positive operating cash flows of \$106.9 million. We believe that our cash generated from operations, existing cash and cash equivalents, and available credit will be sufficient to meet expected operating and capital expenditure requirements for the next 12 months.

We manage a centralized global treasury function in the United States with a focus on concentrating and safeguarding our global cash and cash equivalents. While the majority of our cash is held offshore, we prefer to hold U.S. Dollars in addition to the local currencies of our foreign subsidiaries. We expect to use our offshore cash to support working capital and growth of our foreign operations. While there are no assurances, we believe our global cash is protected given our cash management practices, banking partners, and utilization of diversified, high quality investments.

We have global operations that expose us to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations that may positively or negatively impact our liquidity. We are also exposed to higher interest rates associated with our variable rate debt. To mitigate these risks, we enter into foreign exchange forward and option contracts and interest rate swaps through our cash flow hedging program. Please refer to Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk, Foreign Currency Risk, for further discussion.

We primarily utilize our Credit Agreement to fund working capital, general operations, stock repurchases and other strategic activities, such as the acquisitions described in Note 2 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. As of December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, we had borrowings of \$108.0 million and \$64.0 million, respectively, under our Credit Agreement, and our average daily utilization was \$154.5 million and \$112.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. After consideration for issued letters of credit under the Credit Agreement, totaling \$3.8 million, our remaining borrowing capacity was \$388.2 million as of December 31, 2012. As of December 31, 2012, we were in compliance with all covenants and conditions under our Credit Agreement.

The amount of capital required over the next 12 months will depend on our levels of investment in infrastructure necessary to maintain, upgrade or replace existing assets. Our working capital and capital expenditure requirements could also increase materially in the event of acquisitions or joint ventures, among other factors. These factors could require that we raise additional capital through future debt or equity financing. We can provide no assurance that we will be able to raise additional capital upon commercially reasonable terms acceptable to us.

The following discussion highlights our cash flow activities during the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011, and 2010.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

We consider all liquid investments purchased within 90 days of their original maturity to be cash equivalents. Our cash and cash equivalents totaled \$164.5 million and \$156.4 million as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. We diversify the holdings of

such cash and cash equivalents considering the financial condition and stability of the counterparty institutions.

#### Cash Flows from Operating Activities

We reinvest our cash flows from operating activities in our business for strategic acquisitions and for the purchase of our outstanding stock. For the years 2012, 2011 and 2010 we reported net cash flows provided by operating activities of \$106.9 million, \$113.8 million and \$134.5 million, respectively. The decrease of \$6.9 million from 2011 to 2012 was primarily due to incremental cash paid of \$29.3 million for prepaid and other assets and a decrease in cash from net income of \$1.1 million offset by increases in prepayments from customers of \$18.7 million, increases in cash collected from accounts receivable of \$6.2 million, and an increase of \$1.4 million in payments made for operating expenses. The net decrease from 2010 to 2011 was primarily due to a \$36.2 million decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses, which includes the payment of \$24.3 million for income taxes, and a \$5.7 million decrease in the collection of accounts receivable, offset by a \$24.7 million increase in net income.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

We reinvest cash in our business primarily to grow our client base and to expand our infrastructure. For the years 2012, 2011 and 2010, we reported net cash flows used in investing activities of \$80.9 million, \$86.9 million and \$43.2 million, respectively. The net decrease in cash used from investing activities from 2011 to 2012 was primarily due to the \$8.0 million decrease in acquisition related spending offset by a \$2.0 million increase in capital expenditures. The net increase in cash used from investing activities from 2010 to 2011 was primarily due to the \$38.0 million payment for the acquisition of eLoyalty, and a \$11.9 million increase in net capital expenditures, offset by a \$4.9 million decrease from the \$12.8 million payment for the acquisition of Peppers & Rogers Group during 2010.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

For the years 2012, 2011 and 2010, we reported net cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities of \$(35.0) million, \$15.9 million and \$(85.9) million, respectively. The change from 2011 to 2012 was due to a decrease in net borrowings on our line of credit of \$20.0 million, an increase in cash used to repurchase common stock of \$17.6 million and a decrease in cash received from the exercise of stock options of \$13.4 million. The change from 2010 to 2011 was due to an increase in net borrowings on our line of credit of \$64.0 million and a decrease in cash used to repurchase common stock of \$16.6 million.

Free Cash Flow

Free cash flow (see Presentation of Non-GAAP Measurements above for the definition of free cash flow) was \$66.4 million, \$75.5 million and \$107.7 million for the years 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The decrease from 2011 to 2012 resulted primarily from the \$6.9 million decrease in cash flow from operating activities and a \$2.2 million increase in capital expenditures, net of grant monies received. The decrease from 2010 to 2011 resulted from the \$20.7 million decrease in cash flow from operating activities and a \$11.9 million increase in capital expenditures.

### **Obligations and Future Capital Requirements**

Future maturities of our outstanding debt and contractual obligations as of December 31, 2012 are summarized as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Less than 1 Year	1 to 3 Years	3 to 5 Years	Over 5 Years	Total
Credit Facility(1)	\$ 3,777	\$ 114,873	\$ 1,400	\$ -	\$ 120,050
Equipment financing arrangements	5,433	5,880	209	-	11,522
Contingent consideration	1,100	10,526	2,919	-	14,545
Purchase obligations	15,414	17,449	261	-	33,124
Operating lease commitments	23,699	34,111	17,126	7,621	82,557
Total	\$ 49,423	\$ 182,839	\$ 21,915	\$ 7,621	\$ 261,798

- (1) Includes estimated interest payments based on the weighted-average interest rate, unused commitment fees, current interest rate swap arrangements, and outstanding debt as of December 31, 2012.
- Contractual obligations to be paid in a foreign currency are translated at the period end exchange rate.
- Purchase obligations primarily consist of outstanding purchase orders for goods or services not yet received, which are not recognized as liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheets until such goods and/or services are received.
- The contractual obligation table excludes our liabilities of \$0.4 million related to uncertain tax positions because we cannot
  reliably estimate the timing of future cash payments. See Note 11 to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for
  further discussion.
- The contractual obligations table excludes the contingent consideration arrangement associated with the PRG acquisition as
  we have estimated this liability to be zero at December 31, 2012 as described in Note 2 of the Notes to the Consolidated
  Financial Statements.

#### Purchase Obligations

Occasionally we contract with certain of our communications clients to provide us with telecommunication services. These clients currently represent approximately 15% of our total annual revenue. We believe these contracts are negotiated on an arm s-length basis and may be negotiated at different times and with different legal entities.

#### Future Capital Requirements

We expect total capital expenditures in 2013 to be within the range of \$50 to \$60 million. Approximately 70% of these expected capital expenditures are to support growth in our business and 30% relates to the maintenance for existing assets. The anticipated level of 2013 capital expenditures is primarily dependent upon new client contracts and the corresponding requirements for additional delivery center capacity as well as enhancements to our technological infrastructure.

We may consider restructurings, dispositions, mergers, acquisitions and other similar transactions. Such transactions could include the transfer, sale or acquisition of significant assets, businesses or interests, including joint ventures or the incurrence, assumption, or refinancing of indebtedness and could be material to the consolidated financial condition and consolidated results of our operations. Our capital expenditures requirements could also increase materially in the event of acquisition or joint ventures. In addition, as of December 31, 2012, we were authorized to purchase an additional \$25.4 million of common stock under our stock repurchase program (see Item 5. Market for Registrant s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities in this Form 10-K). The stock repurchase program does not have an expiration date.

The launch of large client contracts may result in short-term negative working capital because of the time period between incurring the costs for training and launching the program and the beginning of the accounts receivable collection process. As a result, periodically we may generate negative cash flows from operating activities.

#### **Debt Instruments and Related Covenants**

On October 1, 2010, we entered into the Credit Agreement with a syndicate of lenders led by KeyBank National Association, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, Bank of America, N.A., BBVA Compass, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. On March 27, 2012, we amended the Credit Agreement by increasing the aggregate commitment by \$150.0 million to \$500.0 million and revising certain definitions.

The Credit Agreement provides for a secured revolving credit facility that matures on September 30, 2015 with a maximum aggregate commitment of \$500.0 million. At our discretion, direct borrowing options under the Credit Agreement include (i) Eurodollar loans with one, two, three, and six month terms, and/or (ii) overnight base rate loans. The Credit Agreement also provides for a sub-limit for loans or letters of credit in both U.S. Dollars and certain foreign currencies, with direct foreign subsidiary borrowing capabilities up to 50% of the total commitment amount.

Base rate loans bear interest at a rate equal to the greatest of (i) KeyBank National Association s prime rate, (ii) the federal funds effective rate plus 0.5% or (iii) the one month London Interbank Offered Rate plus 1.25%, in each case adding a margin based upon our leverage ratio. Eurodollar and alternate currency loans bear interest based upon LIBOR, as adjusted for prescribed bank reserves, plus a margin based upon our leverage ratio. Letter of credit fees are 1.25% of the stated amount of the letter of credit on the date of issuance, renewal or amendment, plus an annual fee equal to the borrowing margin for Eurodollar loans. Facility fees are payable to the Lenders in an amount equal to the unused portion of the credit facility and are based upon our leverage ratio.

Indebtedness under the Credit Agreement is guaranteed by certain of our present and future domestic subsidiaries and is secured by security interests (subject to permitted liens) in the U.S. accounts receivable and cash of the Company and certain of our domestic subsidiaries and may be secured by tangible assets of the Company and such domestic subsidiaries if borrowings by foreign subsidiaries exceed \$50.0 million and the leverage ratio is greater than 2.50 to 1.00. We also pledged 65% of the voting stock and 100% of the non-voting stock of certain of the Company s material foreign subsidiaries and may pledge 65% of the voting stock and 100% of the non-voting stock of the Company s other foreign subsidiaries.

The Credit Agreement, which includes customary financial covenants, may be used for general corporate purposes, including working capital, purchases of treasury stock and acquisition financing. As of December 31, 2012, we were in compliance with all financial covenants. During 2012, 2011 and 2010, borrowings accrued interest at an average rate of approximately 1.6%, 1.6%,

and 1.5% per annum, respectively, excluding unused commitment fees. Our daily average borrowings during 2012, 2011 and 2010 were \$154.5 million, \$112.4 million and \$62.5 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, we had borrowings outstanding of \$108.0 million and \$64.0 million, respectively, under the Credit Agreement. Availability was \$388.2 million as of December 31, 2012, reduced from \$500.0 million by the outstanding borrowing and by \$3.8 million in issued letters of credit; and \$281.5 million as of December 31, 2011, reduced from \$350.0 million by the outstanding borrowing and by \$4.5 million in issued letters of credit.

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From time-to-time, we may have unsecured, uncommitted bank lines of credit to support working capital for a few foreign subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, we had no foreign loans outstanding.

#### **Client Concentration**

During 2012, one of our clients represented 10% of our total annual revenue. Our five largest clients accounted for 39%, 37% and 39% of our annual revenue for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. We have long-term relationships with our top five clients, ranging from six to 17 years, with the majority of these clients having completed multiple contract renewals with TeleTech. The relative contribution of any single client to consolidated earnings is not always proportional to the relative revenue contribution on a consolidated basis and varies greatly based upon specific contract terms. In addition, clients may adjust business volumes served by us based on their business requirements. We believe the risk of this concentration is mitigated, in part, by the long-term contracts we have with our largest clients. Although certain client contracts may be terminated for convenience by either party, we believe this risk is mitigated, in part, by the service level disruptions and transition/migration costs that would arise for our clients.

The contracts with our five largest clients expire between 2014 and 2016. Additionally, a particular client may have multiple contracts with different expiration dates. We have historically renewed most of our contracts with our largest clients. However, there is no assurance that future contracts will be renewed or, if renewed, will be on terms as favorable as the existing contracts.

#### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

We discuss the potential impact of recent accounting pronouncements in Note 1 to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risk represents the risk of loss that may impact our consolidated financial position, consolidated results of operations, or consolidated cash flows due to adverse changes in financial and commodity market prices and rates. Market risk also includes credit and non-performance risk by counterparties to our various financial instruments. We are exposed to market risks due to changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates (as measured against the U.S. dollar); as well as credit risk associated with potential non-performance of our counterparty banks. These exposures are directly related to our normal operating and funding activities. We enter into derivative instruments to manage and reduce the impact of currency exchange rate changes, primarily between the U.S. dollar/Canadian dollar, the U.S. dollar/Philippine peso, the U.S. dollar/Mexican peso, and the Australian dollar/Philippine peso. We enter into interest rate derivative instruments to reduce our exposure to interest rate fluctuations associated with our variable rate debt. To mitigate against credit and non-performance risk, it is our policy to only enter into derivative contracts and other financial instruments with investment grade counterparty financial institutions and, correspondingly, our derivative valuations reflect the creditworthiness of our counterparties. As of the date of this report, we have not experienced, nor do we anticipate, any issue related to derivative counterparty defaults.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

We entered into interest rate derivative instruments to reduce our exposure to interest rate fluctuations associated with our variable rate debt. The interest rate on our Credit Agreement is variable based upon the Prime Rate and LIBOR and, therefore, is affected by changes in market interest rates. As of December 31, 2012, we had \$108.0 million of outstanding borrowings under the Credit Agreement. Based upon average daily outstanding borrowings during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, interest accrued at a rate of approximately 1.6% per annum. If the Prime Rate or LIBOR increased by 100 basis points during the quarter, there would not have been a material impact to our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

The Company s interest rate swap arrangements as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 were as follows:

	Notional Amount	Variable Rate Received	Fixed Ra Paid	te	Contract Commencement Date	Contract Maturity Date
As of December 31, 2012 and 2011	\$ 25 million 15 million	1 - month LIBOR 1 - month LIBOR	2.55 3.14	% %	April 2012 May 2012	April 2016 May 2017
	\$ 40 million		<b></b>	,,	,	, _0

#### **Foreign Currency Risk**

Our subsidiaries in Argentina, Canada, Costa Rica, Mexico, and the Philippines use the local currency as their functional currency for paying labor and other operating costs. Conversely, revenue for these foreign subsidiaries is derived principally from client contracts that are invoiced and collected in U.S. dollars or other foreign currencies. As a result, we may experience foreign currency gains or losses, which may positively or negatively affect our results of operations attributed to these subsidiaries. For the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, revenue associated with this foreign exchange risk was 37%, 34% and 34% of our consolidated revenue, respectively.

The following summarizes relative (weakening) strengthening of local currencies:

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2012	2011	2010		
Canadian Dollar vs. U.S. Dollar	2.3%	(2.0)%	4.7%		
Philippine Peso vs. U.S. Dollar	6.4%	(0.1)%	5.4%		
Argentina Peso vs. U.S. Dollar	(14.0)%	(8.3)%	(4.1)%		
Mexican Peso vs. U.S. Dollar	7.0%	(13.0)%	5.0%		
S. African Rand vs. U.S. Dollar	(4.2)%	(22.5)%	10.4%		
Australian Dollar vs. U.S. Dollar	1.9%	0.1%	12.1%		
Euro vs. U.S. Dollar	2.0%	(2.3)%	(8.2)%		
Philippine Peso vs. Australian Dollar	6.4%	(0.2)%	(7.6)%		

In order to mitigate the risk of these non-functional foreign currencies weakening against the functional currencies of the servicing subsidiaries, which thereby decreases the economic benefit of performing work in these countries, we may hedge a portion, though not 100%, of the projected foreign currency exposure related to client programs served from these foreign countries through our cash flow hedging program. While our hedging strategy can protect us from adverse changes in foreign currency rates in the short term, an overall weakening of the non-functional foreign currencies would adversely impact margins in the segments of the servicing subsidiary over the long term.

Cash Flow Hedging Program

To reduce our exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations associated with forecasted revenue in non-functional currencies, we purchase forward and/or option contracts to acquire the functional currency of the foreign subsidiary at a fixed exchange rate at specific dates in the future. We have designated and account for these derivative instruments as cash flow hedges for forecasted revenue in non-functional currencies.

While we have implemented certain strategies to mitigate risks related to the impact of fluctuations in currency exchange rates, we cannot ensure that we will not recognize gains or losses from international transactions, as this is part of transacting business in an international environment. Not every exposure is or can be hedged and, where hedges are put in place based on expected foreign exchange exposure, they are based on forecasts for which actual results may differ from the original estimate. Failure to successfully hedge or anticipate currency risks properly could adversely affect our consolidated operating results.

Our cash flow hedging instruments as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 are summarized as follows (amounts in thousands). All hedging instruments are forward contracts, except as noted.

As of December 31, 2012 Canadian Dollar	Local Currency Notional Amount 7,750	\$	U.S. Dollar Notional Amount 7,407	% Maturing in 2013 90.3%	Contracts Maturing Through March 2014
Philippine Peso	11,710,000	•	271,970(1)	57.8%	June 2016
Mexican Peso	1,320,500		94,530	57.7%	December 2015
British Pound Sterling	3,518		5,575(2)	82.9%	June 2014
New Zealand Dollars	398		300	100.0%	June 2013
		\$	379,782		
	Local				
	Currency Notional		U.S. Dollar Notional		
As of December 31, 2011	Amount		Amount		
Canadian Dollar	25,750	\$	25,137		
Costa Rican Colon	2,000,000		3,874		
Philippine Peso	13,304,000		301,361(1)		
Mexican Peso (Forwards)	1,081,000		80,735		
Mexican Peso (Collars)	140,298		12,000(3)		
British Pound Sterling	8,808		13,822(2)		
		\$	436,929		

- (1) Includes contracts to purchase Philippine pesos in exchange for New Zealand dollars and Australian dollars, which are translated into equivalent U.S. dollars on December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011.
- (2) Includes contracts to purchase British pound sterling in exchange for Euros, which are translated into equivalent U.S. dollars on December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011.
- (3) The Mexican peso collars include call options with a floor total of MXN 140.3 million and put options with a cap total of MXN (157.0) million as of December 31, 2011.

The fair value of our cash flow hedges at December 31, 2012 was (assets/(liabilities)) (amounts in thousands):

	December 31, 2012		Maturing in 2013
Canadian Dollar	\$	371	\$ 334
Philippine Peso	13	781	7,803
Mexican Peso	4	500	2,989
British Pound Sterling		138	109
New Zealand Dollar		28	28
	\$ 18	818	\$ 11,263

Our cash flow hedges are valued using models based on market observable inputs, including both forward and spot foreign exchange rates, implied volatility, and counterparty credit risk. The decrease in fair value largely reflects the recent global economic conditions which resulted in high foreign exchange volatility and a broad strengthening in the U.S. dollar.

We recorded net gains of \$4.6 million, \$9.3 million, and \$9.8 million for settled cash flow hedge contracts and the related premiums for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. These gains were reflected in Revenue in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income. If the exchange rates between our various currency pairs were to increase or decrease by 10% from current period-end levels, we would incur a material gain or loss on the contracts. However, any gain or loss would be mitigated by corresponding increases or decreases in our underlying exposures.

Other than the transactions hedged as discussed above and in Note 9 in the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements, the majority of the transactions of our U.S. and foreign operations are denominated in their respective local currency. However, transactions are denominated in other currencies from time-to-time. We do not currently engage in hedging activities related to these types of foreign currency risks because we believe them to be insignificant as we endeavor to settle these accounts on a timely basis. For the years ended 2012 and 2011, approximately 25% and 29%, respectively, of revenue was derived from contracts denominated in currencies other than the U.S. Dollar. Our results from operations and revenue could be adversely affected if the U.S. Dollar strengthens significantly against foreign currencies.

#### Fair Value of Debt and Equity Securities

We did not have any investments in debt or equity securities as of December 31, 2012 or 2011.

#### ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

The financial statements required by this item are located beginning on page F-1 of this report and incorporated herein by reference.

# ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

This Form 10-K includes the certifications of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ). See Exhibits 31.1 and 31.2. This Item 9A includes information concerning the controls and control evaluations referred to in those certifications.

#### **Disclosure Controls and Procedures.**

Our management, with the participation of our CEO and CFO, has evaluated the effectiveness of TeleTech s disclosure controls and procedures, as required by Rule 13a-15(b) and 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ) as of December 31, 2012. Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to reasonably assure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our CEO and CFO, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding disclosure and is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms.

Our CEO and CFO have concluded that, based on their review, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to provide such reasonable assurance.

Our management, including the CEO and CFO, believes that any disclosure controls and procedures or internal controls and procedures, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must consider the benefits of controls relative to their costs. Inherent limitations within a control system include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by unauthorized override of the control. Over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with associated policies or procedures. While the design of any system of controls is to provide reasonable assurance of the effectiveness of disclosure controls, such design is also based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and such assumptions, while reasonable, may not take into account all potential future conditions. Accordingly, because of the inherent limitations in a cost effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and may not be prevented or detected.

Our management has conducted an assessment of its internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 as required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Management s report on our internal control over financial reporting is included below. The Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm s report with respect to the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting is included on page F-2. Management has concluded that internal control over financial reporting is effective as of December 31, 2012.

#### **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the most recent quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management, under the supervision of our CEO and CFO, is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d(f) under the Exchange Act) is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures which (a) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of assets, (b) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, (c) provide reasonable assurance that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with appropriate authorization of management and the Board of Directors, and (d) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

In connection with the preparation of this Form 10-K, our management, under the supervision and with the participation of our CEO and CFO, conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 based on the framework established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). As a result of that evaluation, management has concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective at a reasonable assurance level as of December 31, 2012. The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 has also been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report, which is included in Part II Item 8 Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

## ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

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#### **PART III**

## ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information in our 2013 Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A (the 2013 Proxy Statement ) regarding our executive officers under the heading Information Regarding Executive Officers is incorporated herein by reference. We have both a Code of Ethical Conduct for Financial Managers and a Code of Conduct. The Code of Ethical Conduct for Financial Managers applies to our CEO, CFO, Controller or persons performing similar functions. The Code of Conduct applies to all of our directors, officers and employees and those of our subsidiaries. Both the Code of Ethical Conduct for Financial Managers and the Code of Conduct are posted on our website at <a href="https://www.teletech.com">www.teletech.com</a> on the Corporate Governance page. We will post on our website any amendments to or waivers of the Code of Ethical Conduct for Financial Managers or Code of Conduct for executive officers or directors, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. There have been no material changes to the procedures by which stockholders may recommend nominees to the board of directors. The remaining information called for by this Item 10 is incorporated by reference herein from the discussions under the captions Election of Directors , Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance , Audit Committee and Code of Conduct and Committee Charters in our 2013 Proxy Statement and is incorporated by reference herein.

#### ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information in our 2013 Proxy Statement set forth under the captions Executive Compensation and Compensation Committee Report is incorporated herein by reference.

# ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information in our 2013 Proxy Statement set forth under the captions Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Equity Compensation Plan Information is incorporated herein by reference.

#### ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information in our 2013 Proxy Statement set forth under the captions Information Regarding the Board and Committees Thereof and Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions is incorporated herein by reference.

#### ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANTS FEES AND SERVICES

The information in our 2013 Proxy Statement set forth under the caption 
Principal Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm is incorporated herein by reference.

## PART IV

## ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) The following	g documents are filed as part of this report:
Consolidated Fig.	inancial Statements.
The Index to Conso	olidated Financial Statements is set forth on page F-1 of this report.
2. Financial Stater	ment Schedules.
	eleTech have been omitted since the required information is not present or not present in amounts sufficient to of the schedule, or because the information is included in the respective Consolidated Financial Statements or
3. Exhibits.	
	EXHIBIT INDEX
Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>
3 01	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of TeleTech (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to TeleTech. s

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3 . 01	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of TeleTech (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to TeleTech s Amendment No. 2 to Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-04097) filed on July 5, 1996)
3 . 02	Second Amended and Restated Bylaws of TeleTech (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.02 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 28, 2009)
10 . 01	TeleTech Holdings, Inc. Stock Plan, as amended and restated (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to TeleTech s Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-04097) filed on May 20, 1996)**
10 . 02	TeleTech Holdings, Inc. Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to TeleTech s Form S-8 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-113432) filed on March 9, 2004)**
10 . 03	TeleTech Holdings, Inc. Directors Stock Option Plan, as amended and restated (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to TeleTech s Amendment No. 2 to Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration

No. 333-04097) filed on July 5, 1996)\*\*

10 . 04*	TeleTech Holdings, Inc. Amended and Restated 1999 Stock Option and Incentive Plan**
10 . 05	Amendment to 1999 Stock Option and Incentive Plan dated February 11, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.05 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008)**
10 . 06	TeleTech Holdings, Inc. 2010 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to TeleTech s Definitive Proxy Statement, filed April 12, 2010)**
10 . 07	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (effective in 2007 and 2008) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.05 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007)**
10 . 08	Amendment to Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (effective December 2008) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.07 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008)**
10 . 09	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (effective in 2009) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 17, 2009)**
10 . 10	Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement (below Vice President) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.06 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007)**
10 . 11	Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement (Vice President and above) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.07 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007)**

Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>
10 . 12	Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement (Non-Employee Director) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.08 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007)**
10 . 13	Independent Director Compensation Arrangements (effective May 21, 2009) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2009)**
10 . 14	Employment Agreement between James E. Barlett and TeleTech dated October 15, 2001 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.66 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001)**
10 . 15	Amendment to Employment Agreement between James E. Barlett and TeleTech dated December 31, 2008 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008)**
10 . 16	Stock Option Agreement dated October 15, 2001 between James E. Barlett and TeleTech (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.70 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001)**
10 . 17	Amendment dated September 17, 2008 to Stock Option Agreement between James E. Barlett and TeleTech (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.15 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008)**
10 . 18	Employment Agreement between Kenneth D. Tuchman and TeleTech dated October 15, 2001 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.68 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001)**
10 . 19	Amendment to Employment Agreement between Kenneth D. Tuchman and TeleTech dated December 31, 2008 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008)**
10 . 20	Amendment dated September 17, 2008 to Stock Option Agreement between Kenneth D. Tuchman and TeleTech (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 to TeleTech s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008)**
10 . 21	Credit Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2010, among TeleTech Holdings, Inc., the lenders party thereto, KeyBank National Association, as Joint Lead Arranger, Sole Book Runner and Administrative Agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Joint Lead Arranger and Co-Syndication Agent, Bank of America, N.A., as Co-Syndication Agent, BBVA Compass, as Co-Documentation Agent and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Co-Documentation Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 7, 2010)
10 . 22	Form of Indemnification Agreement with Directors (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 22, 2010)**
10 . 23	Form of Amendment to Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 22, 2010)**
10 . 24	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 22, 2010)**
10 . 25	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (Section 16 Officers) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to TeleTech s Form S-8 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-167300) filed on June 3, 2010)**
10 . 26	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (Non-Section 16 Employees) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.4 to TeleTech s Form S-8 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-167300) filed on June 3, 2010)**

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Form of Independent Director Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.5 to TeleTech s Form S-8 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-167300) filed on June 3, 2010)\*\*

10 . 28 Executive Employment Agreement dated March 8, 2010 between Joseph Bellini and TeleTech (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2010)\*\*

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Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>				
10 . 29	First Amendment to Executive Employment Agreement, dated September 20, 2010 between TeleTech and Joseph Bellini (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2010)**				
10 . 30	Second Amendment, dated as of April 19, 2011, to TeleTech Holdings, Inc. Restricted Stock Unit Agreement by and between TeleTech Holdings, Inc. and James E. Barlett dated June 22, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed April 22, 2011)**				
10 . 31	Employment Agreement between Regina Paolillo and TeleTech Holdings, Inc. effective as of November 3, 2011 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed October 27, 2011)**				
10 . 32	Restricted Stock Unit Agreement dated as of November 15, 2011 between TeleTech Holdings, Inc. and Regina Paolillo (RSU Agreement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed November 21, 2011)**				
10 . 33	Restricted Stock Unit Agreement dated as of November 15, 2011 between TeleTech Holdings, Inc. and Regina Paolillo (RSU Performance Agreement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed November 21, 2011)**				
10 . 34	Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement dated as of November 15, 2011 between TeleTech Holdings, Inc. and Regina Paolillo (Option Agreement)(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed November 21, 2011)**				
10 . 35	General Release Agreement between Carol Kline and TeleTech Holdings, Inc. effective as of January 26, 2012 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed January 31, 2012)**				
10 . 36	First Amendment Agreement, dated as of March 27, 2012, among TeleTech Holdings, Inc., each foreign borrower party thereto, KeyBank National Association, as Joint Lead Arranger, Sole Book Runner and Administrative Agent, Wells Fargo Securities LLC, as Joint Lead Arranger and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Co-Syndication Agent, Bank of America, N.A., as Co-Syndication Agent, Compass Bank, as Co-Documentation Agent and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Co-Documentation Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 2, 2012)				
10 . 37	Employment Agreement between Brian Shepherd and TeleTech Services Corporation effective as of January 28, 2013 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to TeleTech s Current Report on Form 8-K filed January 23, 2013)**				
21 . 1*	List of subsidiaries				
23 . 1*	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm				
31 . 1*	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of CEO of TeleTech				
31 . 2*	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of CFO of TeleTech				
32 . 1*	Written Statement of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. Section 1350)				
32 . 2*	Written Statement of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. Section 1350)				
101 . INS***	XBRL Instance Document				
101 . SCH***	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document				
101 . CAL***	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.				

101	. LAB***	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101	. PRE***	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
101	. DEF***	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document

 <sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Identifies exhibit that consists of or includes a management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

Attached as Exhibit 101 to this report are the following documents formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, (ii) Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, (iii) Consolidated Statements of Stockholders Equity for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, (iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, and (v) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. Users of this data are advised pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T that this interactive data file is deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, is deemed not filed for purposes of section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and otherwise is not subject to liability under these sections.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned; thereunto duly authorized on February 26, 2013.

### TELETECH HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ KENNETH D. TUCHMAN
Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below on February 26, 2013, by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities indicated:

Signature **Title** /s/ KENNETH D. TUCHMAN PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER Kenneth D. Tuchman Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board /s/ REGINA M. PAOLILLO PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING OFFICER Chief Financial Officer Regina M. Paolillo /s/ JAMES E. BARLETT DIRECTOR James E. Barlett /s/ GREGORY CONLEY **DIRECTOR Gregory Conley** /s/ ROBERT FRERICHS **DIRECTOR** Robert Frerichs /s/ SHRIKANT MEHTA **DIRECTOR** Shrikant Mehta /s/ ANJAN MUKHERJEE **DIRECTOR** Anjan Mukherjee /s/ ROBERT M. TAROLA **DIRECTOR** Robert M. Tarola /s/ SHIRLEY YOUNG **DIRECTOR** Shirley Young

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of

TeleTech Holdings, Inc.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of comprehensive income, of stockholders equity and of cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of TeleTech Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012 based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company s management is responsible for these financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in Management s Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting appearing under Item 9A. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements and on the Company s internal control over financial reporting based on our integrated audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Denver, CO

February 26, 2013

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## TELETECH HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Balance Sheets (Amounts in thousands except share amounts)

		Decem 2012	ber 31,	2011
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	164,485	\$	156,371
Accounts receivable, net		251,206		243,636
Prepaids and other current assets		58,702		37,434
Deferred tax assets, net		14,169		22,994
Income tax receivable Total current assets		14,982 503,544		17,847 478,282
Total current assets		505,544		470,202
Long-term assets				
Property, plant and equipment, net		112,276		100,321
Goodwill		94,679		70,844
Contract acquisition costs, net  Deferred tax assets, net		1,860 35,429		2,866 32,512
Other long-term assets		99,385		62,153
Total long-term assets		343,629		268,696
Total assets	\$	847,173	\$	746,978
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY				
Current liabilities Accounts payable	\$	23,494	\$	27,555
Accrued employee compensation and benefits	Ψ	71,621	Ψ	71,500
Other accrued expenses		29,056		33,816
Income tax payable		12,650		10,051
Deferred tax liabilities, net		341		912
Deferred revenue		26,892		15,895
Other current liabilities		7,351		10,282
Total current liabilities		171,405		170,011
Long-term liabilities				
Line of credit		108,000		64,000
Deferred tax liabilities, net		3,029		3,020
Deferred rent		8,589		6,729
Other long-term liabilities		55,813		32,971
Total long-term liabilities		175,431		106,720
Total liabilities		346,836		276,731
Commitments and contingencies (Note 15)				
Stockholders equity				
Preferred stock; \$0.01 par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; zero shares outstanding as of				
December 31, 2012 and 2011		-		-
Common stock; \$.01 par value; 150,000,000 shares authorized; 52,288,567 and 56,635,319				
shares outstanding as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively		522		566
Additional paid-in capital		350,714		350,386
Treasury stock at cost: 29,763,686 and 25,416,934 shares as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively		(428,716)		(257 267)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(428,716)		(357,267) (5,474)
Retained earnings		540,791		470,776
Noncontrolling interest		14,045		11,260
Total stockholders equity		500,337		470,247
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$	847,173	\$	746,978

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

# TELETECH HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Amounts in thousands except per share amounts)

		2012	Year E	nded December 31, 2011		2010
Revenue	\$	1,162,981	\$	1,179,388	\$	1,094,906
Operating expenses Cost of services (exclusive of depreciation and amortization presented separately below) Selling, general and administrative Depreciation and amortization Restructuring charges, net Impairment losses Total operating expenses		834,803 182,634 41,166 22,875 2,958 1,084,436		848,362 188,802 44,889 3,651 230 1,085,934		789,697 165,812 50,218 13,476 1,958 1,021,161
Income from operations		78,545		93,454		73,745
Other income (expense) Interest income Interest expense Other income (expense), net Total other income (expense)		2,978 (6,696) (965) (4,683)		3,064 (5,118) 154 (1,900)		2,129 (3,161) 9,256 8,224
Income before income taxes		73,862		91,554		81,969
Benefit from (provision for) income taxes		61		(13,279)		(28,431)
Net income		73,923		78,275		53,538
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		(3,908)		(4,101)		(3,664)
Net income attributable to TeleTech stockholders	\$	70,015	\$	74,174	\$	49,874
Other comprehensive income (loss) Net income Foreign currency translation adjustments Derivative valuation, gross Derivative valuation, tax effect Other, net of tax Total other comprehensive income (loss) Total comprehensive income	\$	73,923 12,648 25,266 (9,855) 527 28,586 102,509	\$	78,275 (12,596) (21,337) 8,395 (655) (26,193) 52,082	\$	53,538 8,080 4,583 (1,960) (792) 9,911 63,449
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest		(4,039)		(3,716)		(3,754)
Comprehensive income attributable to TeleTech stockholders	\$	98,470	\$	48,366	\$	59,695
Weighted average shares outstanding Basic Diluted		54,738 55,540		56,669 57,963		60,361 61,792
Net income per share attributable to TeleTech stockholders Basic Diluted	\$ \$	1.28 1.26	\$ \$	1.31 1.28	\$ \$	0.83 0.81

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# TELETECH HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Stockholders Equity (Amounts in thousands)

### Stockholders' Equity of the Company Accumulated Other

Additional Comprehensive Retained Noncontrolling
Preferred Stock Common Stock Treasury StocRaid-in Capitathcome (Loss) Earnings interest Total Equity

	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	rodoury otoone	oupitai	(2000)			rotal Equity
Balance as of December 31, 2009 Net income	- -	\$ -	62,218	\$ 622 -	\$ (251,691) -	\$ 344,251 -	\$ 10,513 -	\$346,728 49,874	\$ 5,478 3,664	\$455,901 53,538
Acquisition of noncontrolling interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,000	6,000
Dividends distributed to noncontrolling interest Foreign currency	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(4,140)	(4,140)
translation adjustments Derivatives valuation, net	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,990	-	90	8,080
of tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,623	-	-	2,623
Vesting of restricted stock units	-	-	420	5	5,448	(8,525)	-	-	-	(3,072)
Exercise of stock options Excess tax benefit from	-	-	273	3	3,541	(752)	-	-	-	2,792
equity-based awards Equity-based	-	-	-	-	-	811	-	-	-	811
compensation expense Purchases of common	-	-	-	-	-	13,372	-	-	-	13,372
stock Other	-	-	(5,036)	(51)	(80,244)	-	- (792)	-	-	(80,295) (792)
Balance as of December 31, 2010		\$ -	57,875	\$ 579	\$ (322,946)	\$ 349,157	\$ 20,334	\$396,602	\$ 11,092	\$454,818
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Net income Dividends distributed to	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	74,174	4,101	78,275
noncontrolling interest Foreign currency	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,548)	(3,548)
translation adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	(12,211)	-	(385)	(12,596)
Derivatives valuation, net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	(12,942)	-	-	(12,942)
Vesting of restricted stock units	_	-	561	5	7,706	(13,104)	-	-	-	(5,393)
Exercise of stock options Excess tax benefit from	-	-	1,564	15	21,633	(6,886)	-	-	-	14,762
equity-based awards Equity-based	-	-	-	-	-	5,363	-	-	-	5,363
compensation expense Purchases of common	-	-	-	-	-	15,856	-	-	-	15,856
stock			(3,365)	(33)	(63,660)	-	- (055)	-	-	(63,693)
Other  Balance as of December	-	-	-	-	-	-	(655)	-	-	(655)
31, 2011	-	\$ -	56,635	\$ 566	\$ (357,267)	\$ 350,386	\$ (5,474)	\$470,776	\$ 11,260	\$470,247
Net income Acquisition of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70,015	3,908	73,923
noncontrolling interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	941	941
Dividends distributed to noncontrolling interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,205)	(2,205)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,517	-	131	12,648

Derivatives valuation, net											
of tax	-		-	-	-	-	-	15,411	-	-	15,411
Vesting of restricted stock											
units	-		-	575	5	8,041	(12,626)	-	-	-	(4,580)
Exercise of stock options	-		-	121	1	1,703	(330)	-	-	-	1,374
Excess tax benefit from											
equity-based awards	-		-	-	-	-	(1)	-	-	-	(1)
Equity-based											
compensation expense	-		-	-	-	-	13,285	-	-	10	13,295
Purchases of common											
stock	-		- (	5,043)	(50)	(81,193)	-	-	-	-	(81,243)
Other	-		-	-	-	-	-	527	-	-	527
Balance as of December											
31, 2012	-	\$ -	. 5	52,288	\$ 522	\$ (428,716)	\$ 350,714	\$ 22,981	\$540,791	\$ 14,045	\$500,337

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

# TELETECH HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Amounts in thousands)

		2012	Year E	inded December 31, 2011		2010
Cash flows from operating activities	•				_	
Net income	\$	73,923	\$	78,275	\$	53,538
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by						
operating activities:		44 400		44.000		E0 010
Depreciation and amortization		41,166		44,889		50,218
Amortization of contract acquisition costs		1,017		1,680		5,267
Amortization of debt issuance costs		808		589		672
Imputed interest expense		904		544		132
Provision for doubtful accounts		368		363		600
Loss (gain) on disposal of assets		305		(415)		(617)
Impairment losses		2,958		230		1,958
Deferred income taxes		2,354		1,658		(3,030)
Excess tax benefit from equity-based awards		(462)		(6,491)		(1,783)
Equity-based compensation expense		13,376 414		15,856 1,073		13,372
(Gain) loss on foreign currency derivatives		414		1,073		(128)
Gain on Newgen legal settlement, net of tax Changes in assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:		-		<del>-</del>		(3,542)
Accounts receivable		400		(5,789)		(97)
Prepaids and other assets		(25,664)		3,578		(87) 17,664
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(16,301)		(16,502)		19,683
Deferred revenue and other liabilities		11,354		(5,739)		(19,462)
Net cash provided by operating activities		106,920		113,799		134,455
Cash flows from investing activities		100,920		113,799		134,433
Proceeds from sale of long-lived assets		450		2,034		_
Proceeds from grant for property, plant and equipment		110		357		_
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(40,653)		(38,667)		(26,800)
Payment for contract acquisition costs		(40,033)		(1,758)		(20,000)
Investment in deconsolidated subsidiary		_		(1,750)		(3,600)
Deposit on pending acquisition		_		(3,026)		(0,000)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired of \$3,744, \$14 and \$2,202,				(0,020)		
respectively		(40,839)		(45,871)		(12,798)
Net cash used in investing activities		(80,932)		(86,931)		(43,198)
Cash flows from financing activities		(00,002)		(00,001)		(40,100)
Proceeds from line of credit		1,179,850		678,200		1,257,100
Payments on line of credit		(1,135,850)		(614,200)		(1,257,100)
Proceeds from other debt		8,014		-		(1,=01,100)
Payments on other debt		(4,900)		(2,099)		(3,749)
Dividends distributed to noncontrolling interest		(2,205)		(3,548)		(4,140)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		1,374		14,762		2,792
Excess tax benefit from equity-based awards		462		6,491		1,783
Purchase of treasury stock		(81,243)		(63,693)		(80,295)
Payments of debt issuance costs		(467)		(22)		(2,288)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(34,965)		15,891		(85,897)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		17,091		(5,773)		4,601
Increase in cash and cash equivalents		8,114		36,986		9,961
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		156,371		119,385		109,424
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	164,485	\$	156,371	\$	119,385
Supplemental disclosures						
Cash paid for interest	\$	4,412	\$	4,013	\$	2,217
Cash paid for income taxes	\$	16,388	\$	24,336	\$	15,593
Non-cash investing and financing activities						
Purchases of equipment through financing agreements	\$	6,100	\$	-	\$	186
Landlord incentives credited to deferred rent	\$	1,723	\$	-	\$	810
Grant income credited to property, plant and equipment	\$ \$ \$	-	\$	110	\$	-
Recognition of asset retirement obligations	\$	-	\$	278	\$	406

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#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

### (1) OVERVIEW AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Overview

TeleTech Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries ( TeleTech or the Company ) serve their clients through the primary businesses of Business Process Outsourcing ( BPO ), which includes data-driven strategic consulting and marketing services, customer management, and hosted and managed technologies for a variety of industries via operations in the U.S., Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Costa Rica, England, France, Germany, Ghana, Italy, Kuwait, Lebanon, Mexico, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, the Philippines, Scotland, South Africa, Turkey, and the United Arab Emirates.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The Consolidated Financial Statements are comprised of the accounts of TeleTech, its wholly owned subsidiaries, its 55% equity owned subsidiary Percepta, LLC, its 80% interest in Peppers & Rogers Group (PRG) and its 80% interest in iKnowtion, LLC which was acquired on February 27, 2012 (see Note 2 for additional information). All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Operating results for the year ended December 31, 2010 included a \$2.0 million reduction to revenue for disputed service delivery issues that occurred in 2009.

Certain amounts for 2011 and 2010 have been reclassified in the Consolidated Financial Statements to conform to the 2012 presentation.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. (GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions in determining the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the Consolidated Financial Statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. On an on-going basis, the Company evaluates its estimates including those related to derivatives and hedging activities, income taxes including the valuation allowance for deferred tax assets, self-insurance reserves, litigation reserves, restructuring reserves, allowance for doubtful accounts, and valuation of goodwill, long-lived and intangible assets. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ materially from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. In the year ended December 31, 2012, the Company recorded a change in estimate which resulted in a decrease of \$4.6 million to employee related expenses in connection with an authoritative ruling in Spain related to the legally required cost of living adjustment for our employees salaries for the year 2010, 2011 and 2012.

### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

The Company is exposed to credit risk in the normal course of business, primarily related to accounts receivable and derivative instruments. Historically, the losses related to credit risk have been immaterial. The Company regularly monitors its credit risk to mitigate the possibility of current and future exposures resulting in a loss. The Company evaluates the creditworthiness of its clients prior to entering into an agreement to provide services and as necessary through the life of the client relationship. The Company does not believe it is exposed to more than a nominal amount of credit risk in its derivative hedging activities, as the Company diversifies its activities across six well-capitalized, investment-grade financial institutions.

### **Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

Fair values of cash equivalents and accounts receivable and payable approximate the carrying amounts because of their short-term nature.

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### **TELETECH HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Company considers all cash and highly liquid short-term investments with an original maturity of 90 days or less to be cash equivalents. The Company manages a centralized global treasury function in the United States with a focus on concentrating and safeguarding its global cash and cash equivalents. While the majority of the Company s cash is held offshore, the Company prefers to hold U.S. Dollars in addition to the local currencies of the foreign subsidiaries. The Company believes that it has effectively mitigated and managed its risk relating to its global cash through its cash management practices, banking partners, and use of diversified, high quality investments. However, the Company can provide no assurances that it will not sustain losses.

#### **Accounts Receivable**

An allowance for doubtful accounts is determined based on the aging of the Company s accounts receivable, historical experience, client financial condition, and management judgment. The Company writes off accounts receivable against the allowance when the Company determines a balance is uncollectible.

#### **Derivatives**

The Company enters into foreign exchange forward and option contracts to reduce its exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations that are associated with forecasted revenue earned in foreign locations. The Company also enters into interest rate derivatives which consist of interest rate swaps to reduce the Company s exposure to interest rate fluctuations associated with its variable rate debt. Upon proper qualification, these contracts are designated as cash flow hedges under current accounting standards. The Company formally documents at the inception of the hedge all relationships between hedging instruments and hedged items as well as its risk management objective and strategy for undertaking various hedging activities.

The Company also enters into fair value derivative contracts that hedge against foreign currency exchange gains and losses primarily associated with short-term payables and receivables. Changes in the fair value of derivative instruments designated as fair value hedges affect the carrying value of the asset or liability hedged, with changes in both the derivative instrument and the hedged asset or liability being recognized in Other income (expense), net in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

In addition to hedging activities, the Company has embedded derivatives in certain foreign lease contracts. The Company bifurcates and calculates the fair values of the embedded derivative feature from the host contract with any changes in fair value of the embedded derivatives recognized in Cost of services.

### Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Maintenance, repairs and minor renewals are expensed as incurred.

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#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

Depreciation and amortization are computed on the straight-line method based on the following estimated useful lives:

Building
Computer equipment and software
Telephone equipment
Furniture and fixtures
Leasehold improvements

25 years
4 to 7 years
5 years
Lesser of economic useful life (typically 10 years)
or original lease term

Other 3 to 7 years

The Company evaluates the carrying value of property, plant and equipment for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. An asset is considered to be impaired when the forecasted undiscounted cash flows of an asset group are estimated to be less than its carrying value. The amount of impairment recognized is the difference between the carrying value of the asset group and its fair value. Fair value estimates are based on assumptions concerning the amount and timing of forecasted future cash flows.

### **Software Development Costs**

The Company capitalizes costs incurred to acquire or develop software for internal use. Capitalized software development costs are amortized using the straight-line method over its estimated useful life equal to the lesser of the license term or 4 years.

#### Goodwill

The Company evaluates goodwill for possible impairment at least annually on December 1, and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. The Company uses a three step process to assess the realizability of goodwill. The first step, Step 0, is a qualitative assessment that analyzes current economic indicators associated with a particular reporting unit. For example, the Company analyzes changes in economic, market and industry conditions, business strategy, cost factors, and financial performance, among others, to determine if there would be a significant decline to the fair value of a particular reporting unit. A qualitative assessment also includes analyzing the excess fair value of a reporting unit over its carrying value from impairment assessments performed in previous years. If the qualitative assessment indicates a stable or improved fair value, no further testing is required.

If a qualitative assessment indicates that a significant decline to fair value of a reporting unit is more likely than not, or if a reporting unit s fair value has historically been closer to its carrying value, the Company will proceed to Step 1 testing where the Company calculates the fair value of a reporting unit based on discounted future probability-weighted cash flows. If Step 1 indicates that the carrying value of a reporting unit is in excess of its fair value, the Company will proceed to Step 2 where the fair value of the

reporting unit will be allocated to assets and liabilities as they would in a business combination. Impairment occurs when the carrying amount of goodwill exceeds its estimated fair value calculated in Step 2.

## **Contract Acquisition Costs**

Amounts paid to or on behalf of clients to obtain long-term contracts are capitalized and amortized in proportion to the initial expected future revenue from the contract, which in most cases results in straight-line amortization over the life of the contract. These costs are recorded as a reduction to Revenue. The Company evaluates the recoverability of these costs based on the individual underlying client contracts forecasted future cash flows.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

### Other Intangible Assets

The Company has other intangible assets that include customer relationships (definite-lived) and trade names (indefinite-lived). Definite-lived intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, which range from five to 11 years. The Company evaluates the carrying value of its definite-lived intangible assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An asset is considered to be impaired when the forecasted undiscounted cash flows of its asset group are estimated to be less than its carrying value.

The Company evaluates indefinite-lived intangible assets for possible impairment at least annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. Similar to goodwill, the Company may first use a qualitative analysis to assess the realizability of its indefinite-lived intangible assets. The qualitative analysis will include a review of changes in economic, market and industry conditions, business strategy, cost factors, and financial performance, among others, to determine if there would be a significant decline to the fair value of an indefinite-lived intangible asset. If a quantitative analysis is completed, an indefinite-lived intangible asset (a trade name) is evaluated for possible impairment by comparing the fair value of the asset with its carrying value. Fair value is estimated as the discounted value of future revenues arising from a trade name using a royalty rate that a market participant would pay for use of that trade name. An impairment charge is recorded if the trade name s carrying value exceeds its estimated fair value.

#### **Self Insurance Liabilities**

The Company self-insures for certain levels of workers compensation, employee health, property and general liability insurance. The Company records estimated liabilities for these insurance lines based upon analyses of historical claims experience. The most significant assumption the Company makes in estimating these liabilities is that future claims experience will emerge in a similar pattern with historical claims experience. The liabilities related to workers compensation and employee health insurance are included in Accrued employee compensation and benefits in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The liability for other general liability insurance is included in Other accrued expenses in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

### **Restructuring Liabilities**

The Company routinely assesses the profitability and utilization of its delivery centers and existing markets. In some cases, the Company has chosen to close under-performing delivery centers and complete reductions in workforce to enhance future profitability. Severance payments that occur from reductions in workforce are in accordance with the Company s postemployment plans and/or statutory requirements that are communicated to all employees upon hire date; therefore, severance liabilities are recognized when they are determined to be probable and reasonably estimable. Other liabilities for costs associated with an exit or disposal activity are recognized when the liability is incurred, rather than upon commitment to a plan.

#### **Grant Advances**

The Company receives grants from various government agencies as an incentive to locate delivery centers in their jurisdictions. The Company s policy is to account for grant monies received in advance as a liability and recognize to income as either a reduction to Cost of services or Depreciation expense over the term of the grant, when it is reasonably assured that the conditions of the grant have been or will be met.

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#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### **Income Taxes**

Accounting for income taxes requires recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future income tax consequences of transactions that have been included in the Consolidated Financial Statements or tax returns. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statement and tax basis of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. Gross deferred tax assets may then be reduced by a valuation allowance for amounts that do not satisfy the realization criteria established by current accounting standards.

The Company accounts for uncertain tax positions using a two-step approach to recognizing and measuring uncertain tax positions. The first step is to determine if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on audit. The second step is to estimate and measure the tax benefit as the amount that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the tax authority. The Company evaluates these uncertain tax positions on a quarterly basis. This evaluation is based on the consideration of several factors including changes in facts or circumstances, changes in applicable tax law, and settlement of issues under audit. The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions as a part of the Provision for income taxes in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

The Company provides for U.S. income tax expense on the earnings of foreign subsidiaries unless the subsidiaries earnings are considered permanently reinvested outside the U.S.

## **Equity-Based Compensation Expense**

Equity-based compensation expense for all share-based payment awards granted is determined based on the grant-date fair value net of an estimated forfeiture rate on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period of the award, which is typically the vesting term of the share-based payment award. The Company estimates the forfeiture rate annually based on its historical experience of forfeited awards.

## **Foreign Currency Translation**

The assets and liabilities of the Company s foreign subsidiaries, whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar, are translated at the exchange rates in effect on the last day of the period and income and expenses are translated using the monthly average exchange rates in effect for the period in which the items occur. Foreign currency translation gains and losses are recorded in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within stockholders equity. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in Other income (expense), net in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

# **Revenue Recognition**

The Company recognizes revenue when evidence of an arrangement exists, the delivery of service has occurred, the fee is fixed or determinable and collection is reasonably assured. The BPO inbound and outbound service fees are based on either a per minute, per hour, per transaction or per call basis. Certain client programs provide for adjustments to monthly billings based upon whether the Company achieves, exceeds or fails certain performance criteria. Adjustments to monthly billings consist of contractual bonuses/penalties, holdbacks and other performance based contingencies. Revenue recognition is limited to the amount that is not contingent upon delivery of future services or meeting other specified performance conditions.

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Revenue also consists of services for agent training, program launch, professional consulting, fully-hosted or managed technology and learning innovation services. These service offerings may contain multiple element arrangements whereby the Company determines if those service offerings represent separate units of accounting. A deliverable constitutes a separate unit of accounting when it has standalone value and delivery or performance of the undelivered items is considered probable and substantially within our control. If those deliverables are determined to be separate units of accounting, revenue is recognized as services are provided. If those deliverables are not determined to be separate units of accounting, revenue for the delivered services are bundled into one unit of accounting and recognized over the life of the arrangement or at the time all services and deliverables have been delivered and satisfied. The Company allocates revenue to each of the deliverables based on a selling price hierarchy of vendor specific objective evidence ( VSOE ), third-party evidence, and then estimated selling price. VSOE is based on the price charged when the deliverable is sold separately. Third-party evidence is based on largely interchangeable competitor services in standalone sales to similarly situated customers. Estimated selling price is based on the Company s best estimate of what the selling prices of deliverables would be if they were sold regularly on a standalone basis. Estimated selling price is established considering multiple factors including, but not limited to, pricing practices in different geographies, service offerings, and customer classifications. Once the Company allocates revenue to each deliverable, the Company recognizes revenue when all revenue recognition criteria are met.

#### **Deferred Revenue and Costs**

The Company records amounts billed and received, but not earned, as deferred revenue. These amounts are recorded in Deferred revenue or as a component of Other long-term liabilities in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets based on the period over which the Company expects to render services.

We defer revenue for initial training that occurs upon commencement of a new contract if that training is billed separately because the training is not considered to provide standalone value from other services. Accordingly, the corresponding training costs, consisting primarily of labor and related expenses, are also deferred. In these circumstances, both the training revenue and costs are amortized straight-line over the life of the contract as a component of Revenue and Cost of services, respectively. In situations where these initial training costs are not billed separately, but rather included in the hourly service rates paid by the client over the life of the contract, no deferral is necessary as the revenue is being recognized over the life of the contract and the associated training costs are expensed as incurred.

## **Rent Expense**

The Company has negotiated certain rent holidays, landlord/tenant incentives and escalations in the base price of rent payments over the initial term of its operating leases. The initial term includes the build-out period of leases, where no rent payments are typically due. The Company recognizes rent holidays and rent escalations on a straight-line basis to rent expense over the lease term. The landlord/tenant incentives are recorded as an increase to deferred rent liabilities and amortized on a straight line basis to rent expense over the initial lease term.

### **Asset Retirement Obligations**

Asset retirement obligations relate to legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets resulting from the acquisition, construction, development and/or normal use of the underlying assets.

The Company records all asset retirement obligations at estimated fair value. The Company s asset retirement obligations primarily relate to clauses in its delivery center operating leases which require the Company to return the leased premises to its original condition. The associated asset retirement obligations are capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the underlying asset and depreciated over the estimated useful life of the asset. The liability, reported within Other long-term liabilities, is accreted through charges to operating expenses. If the asset retirement obligation is settled for an amount other than the carrying amount of the liability, the Company recognizes a gain or loss on settlement.

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### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2011, the FASB amended its guidance, to converge fair value measurement and disclosure guidance in U.S. GAAP with International Financial Reporting Standards ( IFRS ). IFRS is a comprehensive series of accounting standards published by the International Accounting Standards Board. The amendment changes the wording used to describe the requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements. The FASB does not intend for the amendment to result in a change in the application of the requirements in the current authoritative guidance. The amendment became effective prospectively for the Company s interim period ended March 31, 2012. The Company s adoption of this guidance did not have a material impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2011, the FASB amended its guidance on the presentation of comprehensive income. Under the amended guidance, an entity has the option to present comprehensive income in either one or two consecutive financial statements. The Company decided to present a single statement showing the components of net income and total net income, the components of other comprehensive income and total other comprehensive income, and a total for comprehensive income. The amendment became effective retrospectively for the Company s interim period ended March 31, 2012.

In December 2011, the FASB issued additional guidance related to the presentation of other comprehensive income. This guidance is intended to allow the FASB time to re-deliberate whether it is necessary to require entities to present the effects of reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income in both the statement in which net income is presented and the statement in which other comprehensive income is presented. This guidance defers the effective date of only those provisions in the other comprehensive income guidance that relate to the presentation of reclassification adjustments out of other comprehensive income and reinstates the previous requirements to present reclassification adjustments either on the face of the statement in which other comprehensive income is reported or to disclose them in a note to the financial statements. The amendments in this new guidance became effective at the same time as the amendments in the other comprehensive income guidance explained above. The Company s adoption of this guidance did not have a material impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In July 2012, the FASB issued new accounting guidance that simplifies the impairment test for indefinite-lived intangible assets other than goodwill. The new guidance gives the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine if it is more likely than not that the fair value of an indefinite-lived intangible asset is less than its carrying amount as a basis for determining whether it is necessary to perform a quantitative valuation test. The new standard is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning on or after September 15, 2012. The Company s adoption of this guidance did not have a material impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In February 2013, the FASB issued new accounting guidance that improves the reporting of reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income. This new guidance requires entities to report the effect of significant reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income on the respective line items in net income when applicable or to cross-reference the reclassifications with other disclosures that provide additional detail about the reclassifications made when the reclassifications are not made to net income. The new standard is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2012. The Company does not expect this guidance to have a material impact on the Company's financial position,

results of operations, or cash flows since it is an enhancement to current required disclosures.

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### (2) ACQUISITIONS

OnState

On January 1, 2012, the Company entered into an asset purchase agreement with OnState Communications Corporation (OnState) to acquire 100% of its assets and assume certain of its liabilities for total cash consideration of \$3.3 million. OnState provides hosted business process outsourcing solutions to a variety of small businesses. OnState is headquartered in Boston, MA with a minimal employee base.

As of December 31, 2012, the Company had paid \$3.1 million of the purchase price. The remaining purchase price will be paid out once the potential for covered losses has expired per the purchase agreement, which is expected to be in 2013. The Company paid \$0.1 million of acquisition related expenses as part of the OnState purchase. These costs were recorded in Selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income during the first guarter of 2012.

The following summarizes the fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date (in thousands):

	-	sition Date ir Value
Cash Accounts Receivable Property, plant and equipment Software Goodwill	\$	36 68 33 2,100 1,132 3,369
Accounts payable		93 93
Total purchase price	\$	3,276

The software acquired will be amortized over four years once it is placed into service. The goodwill recognized from the OnState acquisition is primarily attributable to the synergies resulting from incorporating the acquired software into the Company s current technology platforms in addition to the acquisition of the employees who developed the acquired software. Since this acquisition is an asset acquisition for tax purposes, the goodwill of \$1.1 million and software are deductible over their respective tax lives. The acquired goodwill of OnState is reported within the Customer Technology Services segment from the date of acquisition.

iKnowtion

On February 27, 2012, the Company acquired an 80% interest in iKnowtion, LLC (iKnowtion). iKnowtion integrates proven marketing analytics methodologies and business consulting capabilities to help clients improve their return on marketing expenditures in such areas as demand generation, share of wallet, and channel mix optimization. iKnowtion is located in Boston, MA and has approximately 40 employees.

The up-front cash consideration paid was \$1.0 million. The Company was also obligated to pay a working capital adjustment equivalent to any acquired working capital from iKnowtion in excess of a working capital floor as defined in the purchase and sale agreement. The working capital adjustment was \$0.2 million and was paid during the second quarter of 2012.

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The Company is also obligated to make earn-out payments over the next four years if iKnowtion achieves specified earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) targets, as defined by the purchase and sale agreement. The fair value of the contingent payments was measured based on significant inputs not observable in the market (Level 3 inputs). Key assumptions included in the fair value calculation include a discount rate of 21% and expected future value of payments of \$4.3 million. The \$4.3 million of expected future payments was calculated using a probability weighted EBITDA assessment with higher probability associated with iKnowtion achieving the maximum EBITDA targets. As of the acquisition date, the fair value of the contingent payments was approximately \$2.9 million. As of December 31, 2012, the fair value of the contingent consideration was \$3.6 million, of which \$1.0 million and \$2.6 million were included in Other accrued expenses and Other long-term liabilities in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets, respectively.

The fair value of the 20% noncontrolling interest in iKnowtion at the date of acquisition was \$0.9 million and was estimated based on a 20% interest of the fair value of 100% interest in iKnowtion and was discounted for a lack of control at a rate of 23.1%.

In the event iKnowtion meets certain EBITDA targets for calendar year 2015, the purchase and sale agreement requires TeleTech to purchase the remaining 20% interest in iKnowtion in 2016 for an amount equal to a multiple of iKnowtions s 2015 EBITDA as defined in the purchase and sale agreement. These terms represent a contingent redemption feature. The fair value of the redemption feature is based on a comparison of EBITDA multiples and the EBITDA multiple to purchase the remaining 20% of iKnowtion approximates EBITDA multiples in the market for similar acquisitions.

The Company paid \$0.1 million of acquisition related expenses as part of the iKnowtion purchase. These costs were recorded in Selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income during the year ended December 31, 2012.

The following summarizes the fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and noncontrolling interest assumed as of the acquisition date (in thousands):

	Acquisition Date Fair Value	
Cash Accounts Receivable Property, plant and equipment Other assets	1,7	337 792 161 90
Customer relationships Goodwill	4	400 447 227
Accounts payable Accrued expenses Other		18 19 164 201

Noncontrolling interest 941

Total purchase price \$ 4,085

The iKnowtion customer relationships have an estimated useful life of 5 years. The goodwill recognized from the iKnowtion acquisition was attributable primarily to the acquired workforce of iKnowtion, expected synergies, and other factors. The tax basis of the acquired intangibles and goodwill will be deductible for income tax purposes. The acquired goodwill and the operating results of iKnowtion are reported within the Customer Strategy Services segment from the date of acquisition.

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Guidon

On October 4, 2012, the Company acquired 100% of the stock of Guidon Performance Solutions (Guidon) parent company. Guidon provides operational consulting services and designs solutions for operational and cultural transformation for global clients. Guidon is located in Mesa, AZ and has approximately 25 employees.

The up-front cash consideration paid was \$5.6 million. The Company was also obligated to pay a working capital adjustment equivalent to any acquired working capital from Guidon in excess of a working capital floor defined in the stock purchase agreement. The working capital payment was less than \$0.1 million and paid during the fourth guarter of 2012.

The Company is also obligated to make earn-out payments over the next two years if Guidon achieves specified EBITDA targets as defined in the stock purchase agreement. The fair value of the contingent payments was measured based on significant inputs not observable in the market (Level 3 inputs). Key assumptions included in the fair value calculation include a discount rate of 21% and expected future value of payments of \$2.8 million. The \$2.8 million of expected future payments was calculated using a probability weighted EBITDA assessment with higher probability associated with Guidon achieving the maximum EBITDA targets. As of the acquisition date, the fair value of the contingent payments was approximately \$2.1 million. As of December 31, 2012, the fair value of the contingent consideration was \$2.2 million, which was included in Other long-term liabilities in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The Company paid \$0.1 million of acquisition related expenses as part of the Guidon purchase. These costs were recorded in Selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the year ended December 31, 2012.

The following summarizes the preliminary estimated fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date (in thousands). The estimates of fair value of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed, are preliminary, pending completion of a valuation, thus are subject to revisions which may result in adjustments to the values presented below:

Cook	Estimates of Acquisition Date Fair Value				
Cash	\$	376			
Accounts Receivable		1,375			
Property, plant and equipment		49			
Other assets		228			
Customer relationships		2,490			
Goodwill		3,619			

**Preliminary** 

	8,137
Accounts payable	202
Accrued expenses Other	122 65
	389
Total purchase price	\$ 7,748

The Guidon customer relationships have an estimated useful life of 5 years. The goodwill recognized from the Guidon acquisition was attributable primarily to the acquired workforce of Guidon, expected synergies, and other factors. The tax basis of the acquired intangibles and goodwill will be deductible for income tax purposes. The acquired goodwill and the operating results of Guidon are reported within the Customer Strategy Services segment from the date of acquisition.

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TSG

On December 31, 2012, the Company acquired a 100% interest in Technology Solutions Group, Inc. ( TSG ). TSG designs and implements custom communications systems for a variety of business types and sizes. TSG is located in Aurora, IL and has approximately 90 employees.

The up-front cash consideration paid was \$32.8 million. The Company is also obligated to pay a working capital adjustment equivalent to any acquired working capital from TSG in excess of a working capital floor as defined in the stock purchase agreement. The estimated working capital adjustment is approximately \$0.8 million and will be paid during the first quarter of 2013.

The Company is also obligated to make earn-out payments over the three years if TSG achieves specified EBITDA targets, as defined by the stock purchase agreement. The fair value of the contingent payments was measured based on significant inputs not observable in the market (Level 3 inputs). Key assumptions included in the fair value calculation include a discount rate of 4.6% and expected future value of payments of \$7.3 million. The \$7.3 million of expected future payments was calculated using a probability weighted EBITDA assessment with higher probability associated with TSG achieving the maximum EBITDA targets. As of the acquisition date, the fair value of the contingent payments was approximately \$6.7 million and included in Other long-term liabilities in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets, respectively.

The Company paid \$0.1 million of acquisition related expenses as part of the TSG purchase. These costs were recorded in Selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income during the year ended December 31, 2012.

The following summarizes the preliminary estimated fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and noncontrolling interest assumed as of the acquisition date (in thousands). The estimates of fair value of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed, are preliminary, pending completion of a valuation, thus are subject to revisions that may result in adjustments to the values presented below:

	•	sition Date r Value
Cash	\$	1,995
Accounts receivable		4,977
Prepaid assets - cost deferrals		3,664
Property, plant and equipment		762
Other assets		1,773
Customer relationships		15,500

Preliminary Estimate of

Noncompete agreements Trade name Consulting services backlog Goodwill	2,300 1,100 900 18,943 51,914
Accounts payable Accrued expenses Deferred revenue	3,091 1,331 7,295 11,717
Total purchase price	\$ 40,197

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The TSG customer relationships have an estimated useful life of 10 years. The goodwill recognized from the TSG acquisition was attributable primarily to the acquired workforce of TSG, expected synergies, and other factors. The tax basis of the acquired intangibles and goodwill will be deductible for income tax purposes. The acquired goodwill and the operating results of TSG will be reported within the Customer Technology Services segment from the date of acquisition.

eLoyalty

On May 28, 2011, the Company acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of eLoyalty Corporation (eLoyalty), related to the Integrated Contract Solutions (ICS) business unit, and the eLoyalty trade name. The ICS business unit focuses on helping clients improve customer service business performance through the implementation of a variety of service centers. ICS generates revenue in three ways: (i) managed services that support and maintain clients customer service center environment over the long-term; (ii) consulting services that assist the customer in implementation and integration of a customer service center solution; and (iii) product resale through the sale of third party software and hardware. eLoyalty operates out of an office in Austin, TX with an additional administrative location in Chicago, IL and has approximately 160 employees.

The up-front cash consideration was \$40.9 million, subject to certain balance sheet adjustments of (\$2.9) million as defined in the purchase and sale agreement, for a total purchase price of \$38.0 million, all of which was paid by December 31, 2011.

The following summarizes the fair values of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date (in thousands):

	Acquisition Date Fair Value					
Cash	\$ 14					
Accounts receivable	7,702					
Prepaid assets - cost deferrals	14,726					
Property, plant and equipment	897					
Other assets	869					
Deferred tax asset	3,735					
Customer relationships	11,700					
Software	1,200					
Noncompete agreements	900					
Trade name	3,300					
Consulting services backlog	500					
Goodwill	18,516					
	64,059					
Accounts payable	2,156					
Accrued expenses	1,211					
Deferred revenue	22,525					

Other 192 26,084

Total purchase price \$ 37,975

The customer relationship intangible asset is being amortized over 11 years. The goodwill recognized from the eLoyalty acquisition is attributable primarily to the assembled workforce of eLoyalty and significant opportunity for Company growth and marketing based on additional service offerings and capabilities. Since this acquisition was treated as an asset acquisition for tax purposes, the goodwill and associated intangible assets will be deductible for income tax purposes. The operating results of eLoyalty are reported within the Customer Technology Services segment from the date of acquisition.

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Peppers & Rogers Group

On November 30, 2010, the Company acquired an 80% interest in Peppers & Rogers Group. PRG is a leading global management consulting firm specializing in customer-centric strategies for Global 1000 companies and is recognized as a leading authority on customer-based strategies with a deep understanding of the most powerful levers that drive customer loyalty and business results. PRG currently operates offices on six continents across the globe, including headquarters in Stamford, Connecticut, and Istanbul, Turkey, along with regional offices in Belgium, Germany, Kuwait, Lebanon, Singapore, South Africa and United Arab Emirates.

The up-front cash consideration paid was \$15.0 million plus a working capital adjustment as defined in the purchase and sale agreement. The Company paid an estimated working capital adjustment of \$7.9 million during the second quarter of 2011. Upon finalizing the opening balance sheet, the actual working capital adjustment was \$7.1 million; therefore, the Company recorded a \$0.8 million receivable included in Prepaids and other current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2011. As of December 31, 2012, the Company collected the \$0.8 million receivable. An additional \$5.0 million payment was due on March 1, 2012. This \$5.0 million payment was recognized at fair value using a discounted cash flow approach with a discount rate of 18.4%. This measurement is based on significant inputs not observable in the market, which are deemed to be Level 3 inputs. The fair value on the date of acquisition was approximately \$4.4 million. The fair value was accreted up to the \$5.0 million payment using the effective interest rate method. As of December 31, 2011, the Company included the \$5.0 million payable in Other current liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The \$5.0 million payment was made in March 2012.

The purchase and sale agreement included a contingent consideration arrangement that requires additional consideration to be paid in 2013 if PRG achieves a specified fiscal year 2012 EBITDA target. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the fair value of the contingent consideration was zero since PRG did not and was not expected to reach its EBITDA target.

The purchase and sale agreement also included an option for the Company to acquire the remaining 20% interest in PRG exercisable in 2015 for a period of one year, with a one year extension (the Initial Exercise Period). If the Company does not acquire the remaining 20% of PRG pursuant to its call option during the Initial Exercise Period, PRG has an option to purchase the Company s 80% interest in PRG. The exercise price is based on a multiple of EBITDA as defined in the purchase and sale agreement.

The goodwill recognized from the PRG acquisition is attributable primarily to the assembled workforce of PRG, expected synergies, and other factors. None of the goodwill is deductible for income tax purposes. The operating results of PRG are reported within the Customer Strategy Services segment from the date of acquisition.

The acquired businesses described above contributed revenues of \$120.2 million, \$80.0 million and \$2.3 million and income (loss) from operations of \$8.9 million, \$5.8 million and (\$0.4) million to the Company for the years ended December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

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## (3) SEGMENT INFORMATION

Effective January 1, 2012, the Company completed certain changes focused on streamlining the organization to more closely align the Company s reporting structure with its products and services and to increase management accountability. Beginning in the first quarter of 2012, the Company will now report the following four segments:

- the Customer Management Services segment includes the customer experience delivery solutions which integrate innovative technology with highly-trained customer experience professionals to optimize the customer experience across all channels and all stages of the customer lifecycle from an onshore, offshore or work-from-home environment;
- the Customer Growth Services segment includes the technology-enabled sales and marketing business;
- the Customer Technology Services segment includes the hosted and managed technology offerings, including certain acquired assets of eLoyalty; and
- the Customer Strategy Services segment includes the customer experience strategy and data analytics offerings.

The Company revised previously reported segment information to conform to its new segments in effect as of January 1, 2012.

All intercompany transactions between the reported segments for the periods presented have been eliminated.

The following tables present certain financial data by segment (amounts in thousands):

## Year Ended December 31, 2012

	F	Gross Revenue	Ir	itersegment Sales	Net Revenue	epreciation & mortization	(Lo	ncome oss) from perations
Customer Management Services	\$	923.774	\$	-	\$ 923.774	\$ 32,715	\$	60,271

Customer Growth Services	100,846	(74)	100,772	3,903	2,258
Customer Technology					
Services	101,430	(4,582)	96,848	3,026	15,714
Customer Strategy					
Services	43,358	(1,771)	41,587	1,522	302
Total	\$ 1,169,408	\$ (6,427)	\$ 1,162,981	\$ 41,166	\$ 78,545

# Year Ended December 31, 2011

Gross Revenue		Intersegment Sales		Net Revenue		Depreciation & Amortization		Income (Loss) from Operations	
\$	983,627	\$	-	\$	983,627	\$	37,561	\$	71,945
	95,629		-		95,629		3,714		6,387
	68,333		(1,355)		66,978		2,515		13,652
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	33,154		-		33,154		1,099		1,470
\$	1,180,743	\$	(1,355)	\$	1,179,388	\$	44,889	\$	93,454
	\$	Revenue \$ 983,627 95,629 68,333 33,154	Revenue \$ 983,627 \$ 95,629 68,333 33,154	Revenue Sales  \$ 983,627	Revenue Sales  \$ 983,627 \$ - \$ 95,629 -  68,333 (1,355)  33,154 -	Revenue         Sales         Revenue           \$ 983,627 95,629         \$ 983,627 95,629           68,333         (1,355)         66,978           33,154         -         33,154	Gross Intersegment Net Revenue Sales Revenue Ar  \$ 983,627 \$ - \$ 983,627 \$ 95,629 - 95,629	Gross Revenue         Intersegment Sales         Net Revenue         & Amortization           \$ 983,627 95,629         \$ - 95,629         \$ 983,627 95,629         \$ 37,561 95,629           68,333         (1,355)         66,978         2,515           33,154         -         33,154         1,099	Gross Revenue         Intersegment Sales         Net Revenue         & (Lo Amortization)         & (Lo Amortization)         Quantity           \$ 983,627 \$ - \$ 983,627 \$ 37,561 \$ 95,629 - 95,629 - 95,629         \$ 37,561 \$ 2,515         \$ 33,154         - 33,154         1,099

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# Year Ended December 31, 2010

	Gross Revenue		Intersegment Sales		Net Revenue		Depreciation & Amortization		Income (Loss) from Operations	
Customer Management Services Customer Growth Services	\$	1,001,520 78,991	\$	-	\$	1,001,520 78,991	\$	46,444 3,579	\$	62,403 4,305
Customer Technology Services		12,123								