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| 図 QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) O | F THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 |
| For the quarterly period | od ended March 31, 2017 |
| | OR |
| ☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) O | F THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 |
| For the transition p | period to |
| Commission file | number: 000-50644 |
| | t as specified in its charter) |
| Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) | 77-0492262 (I.R.S. employer identification no.) |
| - | Brisbane, California 94005 ipal executive offices) |
| · · · | 657-5500 number, including area code) |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \boxtimes No \square | • |
| | d posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to f this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accemerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accompany" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. | |
| Large accelerated filer \square Accelerated filer \boxtimes Non-accele | erated filer \square Smaller reporting company Emerging growth company \square |
| If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has erevised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of t | elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or he Exchange Act. \Box |

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

The number of shares of Registrant's common stock issued and outstanding as of April 30, 2017 was 13,858,651.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CUTERA, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share and per share data) (unaudited)

| | March 31, 2017 | | Decen | nber 31, 2016 |
|---|----------------|----------|-------|---------------|
| Assets | | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 11,443 | \$ | 13,775 |
| Marketable investments | | 36,990 | | 40,299 |
| Accounts receivable, net | | 17,859 | | 16,547 |
| Inventories | | 15,672 | | 14,977 |
| Other current assets and prepaid expenses | | 2,403 | | 2,251 |
| Total current assets | | 84,367 | | 87,849 |
| | | | | |
| Property and equipment, net | | 1,802 | | 1,907 |
| Deferred tax asset | | 394 | | 377 |
| Intangibles, net | | _ | | 2 |
| Goodwill | | 1,339 | | 1,339 |
| Other long-term assets | | 389 | | 380 |
| Total assets | \$ | 88,291 | \$ | 91,854 |
| | | | | |
| Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ | 3,089 | \$ | 2,598 |
| Accrued liabilities | | 14,950 | | 17,397 |
| Deferred revenue | | 8,275 | | 8,394 |
| Total current liabilities | | 26,314 | | 28,389 |
| | | -,- | | -, |
| Deferred revenue, net of current portion | | 1,801 | | 1,705 |
| Income tax liability | | 169 | | 168 |
| Other long-term liabilities | | 565 | | 582 |
| Total liabilities | | 28,849 | | 30,844 |
| Total Habilities | | 20,010 | _ | 50,011 |
| Commitments and Contingencies (Note 10) | | | | |
| Communicities and Contingencies (Note 10) | | | | |
| Stockholders' equity: | | | | |
| Convertible preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; authorized: 5,000,000 shares; none issued and outstanding | | _ | | |
| Common stock, \$0.001 par value; authorized: 50,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding: 13,909,182 and | | | | |
| 13,773,389 shares at March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively | | 14 | | 14 |
| Additional paid-in capital | | 87,569 | | 88,114 |
| Accumulated deficit | | (28,068) | | (27,046) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | | (73) | | (72) |
| Total stockholders' equity | | 59,442 | - | 61,010 |
| Total Stockholuers equity | _ | 55,442 | | 01,010 |
| m - 11/11/22 | \$ | 88,291 | \$ | 91,854 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | Ф | 00,291 | Φ | 91,034 |

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

Three Months Ended March 31,

| | | March 51, | | |
|---|-----------|------------|---------|--|
| | | 2017 | 2016 | |
| Net revenue: | | | | |
| Products | \$ | 24,475 \$ | 17,956 | |
| Service | | 4,824 | 4,467 | |
| Total net revenue | | 29,299 | 22,423 | |
| Cost of revenue: | | | | |
| Products | | 11,144 | 7,648 | |
| Service | | 2,634 | 2,301 | |
| Total cost of revenue | | 13,778 | 9,949 | |
| Gross profit | | 15,521 | 12,474 | |
| | | | | |
| Operating expenses: | | | | |
| Sales and marketing | | 10,773 | 8,716 | |
| Research and development | | 2,945 | 2,709 | |
| General and administrative | | 3,216 | 3,220 | |
| Total operating expenses | | 16,934 | 14,645 | |
| Loss from operations | | (1,413) | (2,171) | |
| Interest and other income, net | | 273 | 144 | |
| Loss before income taxes | | (1,140) | (2,027) | |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | | (118) | 24 | |
| Net loss | \$ | (1,022) \$ | (2,051) | |
| | | | | |
| Net loss per share: | | | | |
| Basic and Diluted | <u>\$</u> | (0.07) \$ | (0.16) | |
| Weighted-average number of shares used in per share calculations: | | | | |
| Basic and Diluted | | 13,840 | 13,010 | |
| Dasic and Diruted | | 15,040 | 15,010 | |

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (in thousands) (unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended | | | |
|---|--------------------|---------|----|---------|
| | March 31, | | | |
| | | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Net loss | \$ | (1,022) | \$ | (2,051) |
| Other comprehensive income (loss): | | | | |
| Available-for-sale investments | | | | |
| Net change in unrealized gain (loss) on available-for-sale investments | | 3 | | 69 |
| Less: Reclassification adjustment for gains on investments recognized during the year | | (4) | | _ |
| Net change in unrealized gain (loss) on available-for-sale investments | | (1) | | 69 |
| Tax provision (benefit) | | _ | | _ |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax | | (1) | | 69 |
| Comprehensive loss | \$ | (1,023) | \$ | (1,982) |

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands) (unaudited)

| | Th | Three Months Ended Marc | | | |
|---|----|-------------------------|---------|--|--|
| | | 2017 | 2016 | | |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | | | | |
| Net loss | \$ | (1,022) \$ | (2,051) | | |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities: | | | | | |
| Stock-based compensation | | 1,395 | 1,332 | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 248 | 240 | | |
| Other | | (51) | 12 | | |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: | | | | | |
| Accounts receivable | | (1,305) | 472 | | |
| Inventories | | (695) | (1,397) | | |
| Other current assets and prepaid expenses | | (158) | (230) | | |
| Other long-term assets | | (9) | (35) | | |
| Accounts payable | | 491 | 611 | | |
| Accrued liabilities | | (2,657) | (2,758) | | |
| Other long-term liabilities | | _ | (82) | | |
| Deferred revenue | | (23) | (103) | | |
| Income tax liability | | 1 | (55) | | |
| Net cash used in operating activities | | (3,785) | (4,044) | | |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | | | |
| Acquisition of property, equipment and software | | (69) | (97) | | |
| Disposal of property and equipment | | 25 | _ | | |
| Proceeds from sales of marketable investments | | 5,255 | 1,800 | | |
| Proceeds from maturities of marketable investments | | 14,035 | 3,975 | | |
| Purchase of marketable investments | | (15,972) | (6,399) | | |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | | 3,274 | (721) | | |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | | | | |
| Repurchase of common stock | | (2,700) | (279) | | |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options and employee stock purchase plan | | 1,751 | 744 | | |
| Taxes paid related to net share settlement of equity awards | | (784) | (233) | | |
| Payments on capital lease obligations | | (88) | (70) | | |
| Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities | | (1,821) | 162 | | |
| | | | | | |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | | (2,332) | (4,603) | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | | 13,775 | 10,868 | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ | 11,443 \$ | 6,265 | | |
| Supplemental disclosure of non-cash items: | | | | | |
| | \$ | 207 \$ | 27 | | |
| Repurchase of common stock acquired but not settled | | <u></u> | | | |
| Assets acquired under capital lease | \$ | 80 \$ | 51 | | |

CUTERA, INC. NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Description of Operations and Principles of Consolidation

Cutera, Inc. ("Cutera" or the "Company") is a global provider of laser and other energy-based aesthetic systems for practitioners worldwide. The Company designs, develops, manufactures, and markets laser and other energy-based product platforms for use by physicians and other qualified practitioners which enable them to offer safe and effective aesthetic treatments to their customers. The Company currently markets the following key system platforms: enlightenTM, excel HRTM, truSculptTM, excel VTM, and xeo[®]. The Company's systems offer multiple hand pieces and applications, which allow customers to upgrade their systems. The sales of systems, system upgrades, hand pieces, hand piece refills (applicable to Titan[®] and truSculpt) and the distribution of third party manufactured skincare products are classified as "Products" revenue. In addition to Products revenue, the Company generates revenue from the sale of post-warranty service contracts, parts, detachable hand piece replacements (except for Titan and truSculpt) and service labor for the repair and maintenance of products that are out of warranty, all of which is classified as "Service" revenue.

Headquartered in Brisbane, California, the Company has wholly-owned subsidiaries that are currently operational in Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Hong Kong, Japan, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. These subsidiaries market, sell and service the Company's products outside of the United States. The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated.

Unaudited Interim Financial Information

The interim financial information filed is unaudited. The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) that the Company considers necessary for the fair statement of the results of operations for the interim periods covered and of the financial condition of the Company at the date of the interim balance sheet. The December 31, 2016 Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet was derived from audited financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results for the entire year or any other interim period. The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's previously filed audited financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 15, 2017.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with GAAP requires the Company's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported and disclosed in the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and the accompanying notes. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates. On an ongoing basis, the Company evaluates these estimates, including those related to revenue elements, warranty obligations, sales commissions, accounts receivable and sales allowances, provision for excess and obsolete inventories, fair values of marketable investments, fair values of acquired intangible assets, useful lives of intangible assets and property and equipment, fair values of performance stock units and options to purchase the Company's stock, recoverability of deferred tax assets, legal matters and claims, and effective income tax rates, among others.

Management bases these 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.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Updates ("ASU") No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, outlining a single comprehensive model for entities to utilize to recognize revenue when it transfers goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration that will be received in exchange for the goods and services. Additional disclosures will also be required to enable users to understand the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts with customers. In 2016, the FASB issued accounting standards updates to address implementation issues and to clarify the guidance for identifying performance obligations, licenses and determining if a company is the principal or agent in a revenue arrangement. In August 2015, the FASB deferred the effective date of this standards update to fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted on the original effective date of fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016. The standard permits the use of either a retrospective or modified retrospective application. The Company is evaluating the effects of the new guidance and have not yet selected a transition method or determined the potential effects of adoption on the consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases*. This guidance establishes a right-of-use ("ROU") model that requires a lessee to record a ROU asset and lease liability on the balance sheet for all leases with terms longer than 12 months. Leases will be classified as either finance or operating, with classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. The mandatory adoption date of this standard is for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018. A modified retrospective transition approach is required for leases existing at, or entered into, after the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements, with certain practical expedients available. The Company expects that upon adoption, ROU assets and lease liabilities will be recognized in the balance sheet in amounts that will be material.

Note 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Marketable Investments

The Company invests its cash primarily in money market funds, commercial paper, corporate notes and bonds, municipal bonds, and debt securities issued by the U.S. government and its agencies. The Company considers all highly liquid investments, with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase, to be cash equivalents. Investments with maturities of greater than three months at the time of purchase are accounted for as "available-for-sale," are carried at fair value with unrealized gains and losses reported as a component of stockholders' equity, are held for use in current operations and are classified in current assets as "marketable investments."

The following tables summarize the components, and the unrealized gains and losses position, related to the Company's cash, cash equivalents and marketable investments (in thousands):

| March 31, 2017 | Ar | nortized Cost | Unre | oss alized iins | Unre | oss alized sses | | r Market Value |
|---|------------|--|------------|-----------------------|--|-----------------------|----|--|
| Cash and cash equivalents: | | Cost | Ga | 11115 | LU | 5565 | | value |
| Cash | \$ | 6,918 | \$ | _ | \$ | _ | \$ | 6,918 |
| Money market funds | Ψ | 1,026 | Ψ | | Ψ | | Ψ | 1,026 |
| Commercial paper | | 3,499 | | _ | | _ | | 3,499 |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | | 11,443 | | | | | | 11,443 |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | | 11,110 | | | | | | 11,1.0 |
| Marketable investments: | | | | | | | | |
| U.S. government notes | | 4,453 | | _ | | (11) | | 4,442 |
| U.S. government agencies | | 2,002 | | _ | | (2) | | 2,000 |
| Municipal securities | | _ | | _ | | | | _ |
| Commercial paper | | 17,243 | | 3 | | (1) | | 17,245 |
| Corporate debt securities | | 13,305 | | 7 | | (9) | | 13,303 |
| Total marketable investments | | 37,003 | | 10 | <u>, </u> | (23) | | 36,990 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total cash, cash equivalents and marketable investments | \$ | 48,446 | \$ | 10 | \$ | (23) | \$ | 48,433 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| December 31, 2016 | An | nortized Cost | Unre | oss alized ains | Unre | oss alized sses | | r Market Value |
| December 31, 2016 Cash and cash equivalents: | | Cost | Unre | alized | Unre Lo | alized | | Value |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash | A r | Cost 6,672 | Unre | alized | Unre | alized | | Value 6,672 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds | | 6,672 6,053 | Unre Ga | alized | Unre Lo | alized | , | 6,672 6,053 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds Commercial paper | | 6,672 6,053 1,050 | Unre Ga | alized | Unre Lo | alized | , | 6,672 6,053 1,050 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds | | 6,672 6,053 | Unre Ga | alized | Unre Lo | alized | , | 6,672 6,053 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds Commercial paper Total cash and cash equivalents | | 6,672 6,053 1,050 | Unre Ga | alized | Unre Lo | alized | , | 6,672 6,053 1,050 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds Commercial paper Total cash and cash equivalents Marketable investments: | | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 | Unre Ga | alized ins | Unre Lo | alized sses | , | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds Commercial paper Total cash and cash equivalents Marketable investments: U.S. government notes | | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 | Unre Ga | alized | Unre Lo | alized sses | , | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds Commercial paper Total cash and cash equivalents Marketable investments: U.S. government notes U.S. government agencies | | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,403 3,918 | Unre Ga | alized ins | Unre Lo | Alized | , | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,398 3,916 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds Commercial paper Total cash and cash equivalents Marketable investments: U.S. government notes U.S. government agencies Municipal securities | | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,403 3,918 1,325 | Unre Ga | alized ins | Unre Lo | Color | , | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,398 3,916 1,325 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds Commercial paper Total cash and cash equivalents Marketable investments: U.S. government notes U.S. government agencies Municipal securities Commercial paper | | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,403 3,918 1,325 12,299 | Unre Ga | 4 — | Unre Lo | Color | , | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,398 3,916 1,325 12,299 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds Commercial paper Total cash and cash equivalents Marketable investments: U.S. government notes U.S. government agencies Municipal securities Commercial paper Corporate debt securities | | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,403 3,918 1,325 12,299 14,366 | Unre Ga | 4 — 2 3 | Unre Lo | Color | , | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,398 3,916 1,325 12,299 14,361 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: Cash Money market funds Commercial paper Total cash and cash equivalents Marketable investments: U.S. government notes U.S. government agencies Municipal securities Commercial paper | | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,403 3,918 1,325 12,299 | Unre Ga | 4 — | Unre Lo | Color | , | 6,672 6,053 1,050 13,775 8,398 3,916 1,325 12,299 |

As of March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, total gross unrealized losses were \$23,000 and \$21,000, respectively, and were related to interest rate changes on available-for-sale marketable investments. The Company has concluded that it is more-likely-than-not that the securities will be held until maturity or the recovery of their cost basis. No securities were in an unrealized loss position for more than 12 months.

The following table summarizes the contractual maturities of the Company's available-for-sale securities, classified as marketable investments as of March 31, 2017 (in thousands):

| | Amount |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Due in less than one year | \$ 33,230 |
| Due in 1 to 3 years | 3,760 |
| Total marketable investments | \$ 36,990 |

Note 3. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value hierarchy distinguishes between (1) market participant assumptions developed based on market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and (2) an entity's own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs). The fair value hierarchy consists of three broad levels, which gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Directly or indirectly observable inputs as of the reporting date through correlation with market data, including quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets and quoted prices in markets that are not active. Level 2 also includes assets and liabilities that are valued using models or other pricing methodologies that do not require significant judgment since the input assumptions used in the models, such as interest rates and volatility factors, are corroborated by readily observable data from actively quoted markets for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and reflect the use of significant management judgment. These values are generally determined using pricing models for which the assumptions utilize management's estimates of market participant assumptions.

In determining fair value, the Company utilizes valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs to the extent possible as well as considers counterparty credit risk in its assessment of fair value.

As of March 31, 2017, financial assets measured and recognized at fair value on a recurring basis and classified under the appropriate level of the fair value hierarchy as described above were as follows (in thousands):

| March 31, 2017 | Le | vel 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
|-------------------------------|----|-------|--------------|---------|--------------|
| Cash equivalents: | | | _ | | |
| Money market funds | \$ | 1,026 | \$ _ | \$ _ | \$ 1,026 |
| Commercial paper | | _ | 3,499 | _ | 3,499 |
| Marketable investments: | | | | | |
| Available-for-sale securities | | _ | 36,990 | _ | 36,990 |
| Total assets at fair value | \$ | 1,026 | \$ 40,489 | \$ | \$ 41,515 |

As of December 31, 2016, financial assets measured and recognized at fair value on a recurring basis and classified under the appropriate level of the fair value hierarchy as described above was as follows (in thousands):

| December 31, 2016 | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Cash equivalents: | | | | |
| Money market funds | \$ 6,053 | \$ _ | \$ _ | \$ 6,053 |
| Commercial paper | _ | 1,050 | _ | 1,050 |
| Marketable investments: | | | | |
| Available-for-sale securities | _ | 40,299 | _ | 40,299 |
| Total assets at fair value | \$ 6,053 | \$ 41,349 | \$ | \$ 47,402 |

The Company's Level 2 investments include U.S. government-backed securities and corporate securities that are valued based upon observable inputs that may include benchmark yields, reported trades, broker/dealer quotes, issuer spreads, two-sided markets, benchmark securities, bids, offers and reference data including market research publications. The weighted average remaining maturity of the Company's Level 2 investments as of March 31, 2017 is less than 1 year and all of these investments are rated by S&P and Moody's at A- or better.

Note 4. Balance Sheet Details

Inventories

As of March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, inventories consist of the following (in thousands):

| | March 31, 2017 | December 31, 2016 |
|----------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Raw materials | \$ 11,543 | \$ 10,966 |
| Finished goods | 4,129 | 4,011 |
| Total | \$ 15,672 | \$ 14,977 |

Accrued Liabilities

As of March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, accrued liabilities consist of the following (in thousands):

| | March 31, 2017 | | December 31 2016 | 1, |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|------|---------------------|-------|
| Accrued payroll and related expenses | \$ 7 | ,113 | \$ 9 | ,036 |
| Warranty liability | 2 | ,735 | 2 | 2,461 |
| Sales tax | 1 | ,644 | 2 | 2,373 |
| Other | 3 | 458 | 3 | 3,527 |
| Total | \$ 14 | ,950 | \$ 17 | ,397 |

Note 5. Warranty

The Company provides a standard one-year warranty on all systems. For direct sales to end customers, warranty coverage provided is for labor and parts necessary to repair the systems during the warranty period. For sales to distributors, we provide a 14 to 16 month warranty for parts only. The distributor provides the labor to their end customer.

The Company has a direct field service organization in the U.S. Internationally, the Company provides direct service support through its wholly-owned subsidiaries in Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Hong Kong, Japan, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. In several other countries where it does not have a direct presence, the Company provides service through a network of distributors and third-party service providers.

After the original warranty period, maintenance and support are offered on a service contract basis or on a time and materials basis. The Company provides for the estimated cost to repair or replace products under warranty at the time of sale. The following table provides the changes in the product warranty accrual for the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended | | | |
|---|--------------------|---------|----|---------|
| | March 31, | | | |
| | | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Beginning Balance | \$ | 2,461 | \$ | 1,819 |
| Add: Accruals for warranties issued during the period | | 2,135 | | 1,254 |
| Less: Settlements made during the period | | (1,861) | | (1,254) |
| Ending Balance | \$ | 2,735 | \$ | 1,819 |

Note 6. Deferred Service Contract Revenue

The Company generates Service revenue from the sale of extended service contracts and from time and material services provided to customers who are not under a warranty or extended service contract. Service contract revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the period of the applicable contract. Service revenue, from customers whose systems are not under a service contract, is recognized as the services are provided.

The following table provides changes in the deferred service contract revenue balance for the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 (in thousands):

| | Th | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | |
|--------------------------|------|------------------------------|---------|--|--|
| | | | | | |
| | 2017 | | 2016 | | |
| Beginning Balance | \$ | 9,431 \$ | 10,469 | | |
| Add: Payments received | | 3,391 | 3,263 | | |
| Less: Revenue recognized | | (3,267) | (3,220) | | |
| Ending Balance | \$ | 9,555 \$ | 10,512 | | |
| | | | | | |

Costs for extended service contracts were \$1.9 million and \$1.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Note 7. Stockholders' Equity and Stock-based Compensation Expense

Share Repurchase Program

On February 8, 2016, the Company announced that its Board of Directors approved the expansion of its Stock Repurchase Program by \$10 million, under which the Company is authorized to repurchase shares of its common stock. As of December 31, 2016, there remained an additional \$5.1 million in the Stock Repurchase Program to use for repurchasing the Company's common stock. On February 13, 2017 the Company's Board of Directors approved the expansion of its Stock Repurchase Program by an additional \$5 million.

In the three months ended March 31, 2017, the Company repurchased 140,400 shares of its common stock for approximately \$2.9 million. As of March 31, 2017, there remained an additional \$7.2 million available in the Stock Repurchase Program to repurchase shares of common stock. All shares repurchased were retired and returned to authorized but unissued status.

Stock-based Compensation Expense

Stock-based compensation expense by department recognized during the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 were as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended | | | |
|--|--------------------|----------|--|--|
| | March 31, | | | |
| | 2017 | 2016 | | |
| Cost of revenue | \$ 129 | \$ 141 | | |
| Sales and marketing | 420 | 376 | | |
| Research and development | 237 | 180 | | |
| General and administrative | 609 | 635 | | |
| Total stock-based compensation expense | \$ 1,395 | \$ 1,332 | | |

Activity under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, is summarized as follows:

| | | Options O | utstanding |
|---|-----------|---------------|------------------|
| | Shares | Number of | Weighted- |
| | Available | Stock Options | Average Exercise |
| | for Grant | Outstanding | Price |
| Balance, December 31, 2016 | 721,657 | 1,116,472 | \$ 9.56 |
| Options granted | (52,000) | 52,000 | 18.18 |
| Stock awards granted ^{(1) (2)} | (449,440) | _ | _ |
| Options exercised | _ | (201,686) | 8.68 |
| Options canceled | 11,352 | (11,352) | 17.39 |
| Stock awards canceled ⁽¹⁾ | 94,113 | <u> </u> | _ |
| Balance, March 31, 2017 | 325,682 | 955,434 | \$ 10.12 |

- (1) The Company has a "fungible share" provision in its 2004 Equity Incentive Plan whereby for each full-value award (RSU/PSU) issued or canceled under the Plan requires the subtraction or add back of 2.12 shares from or to the Shares Available for Grant, respectively.
- (2) Included in 'Stock awards granted' of 449,440, was 221,540 fungible shares relating to 104,500 of PSUs granted. These PSUs mayresult in a lower number of shares of common stock that may be released on January 1, 2018, based on the achievement of two performance goals at targets that were pre-determined by the Board and disclosed in a Form 8-K on January 11, 2017.

Under the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, the Company issued 316,203 shares of common stock during the three months ended March 31, 2017, in conjunction with stock options exercised and the vesting of RSUs and PSUs.

As of March 31, 2017, there was approximately \$5.9 million of unrecognized compensation expense, net of projected forfeitures, related to non-vested equity awards. The expense is expected to be recognized over the remaining weighted-average period of 1.80 years. The actual expense recorded in the future may be higher or lower based on a number of factors, including, actual forfeitures experienced and the degree of achievement of the performance goals related to the PSUs granted.

Note 8. Net Loss Per Share

Basic net loss per share is calculated by dividing net loss by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the year. Diluted net loss per common share is the same as basic net loss per common share, as the effect of the potential common stock equivalents is anti-dilutive and as such is excluded from the calculations of the diluted net loss per share.

The following numbers of shares outstanding, prior to the application of the treasury stock method, were excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per common share for the period presented because including them would have had an anti-dilutive effect (in thousands):

| | Three Month March 3 | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-------|
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| Options to purchase common stock | 1,088 | 3,191 |
| Restricted stock units | 384 | 405 |
| Performance stock units | 164 | 158 |
| Employee stock purchase plan shares | 49 | 42 |
| Total | 1,685 | 3,796 |

Note 9. Income Taxes

The Company calculates the provision for income taxes during interim reporting periods by applying an estimate of the annual effective tax rate for the full fiscal year to "ordinary" income or loss (pretax income or loss excluding unusual or infrequently occurring discrete items) for the reporting period. When applicable, the year-to-date tax provision reflects adjustments from discrete tax items. However, for the fiscal three -month period ended March 31, 2016, the Company used a discrete effective tax rate method to calculate the provision for income taxes. The Company determined that since small changes in estimated "ordinary" income would result in significant changes in the estimated annual effective tax rate, the historical method would not provide a reliable estimate for the fiscal three-month period ended March 31, 2016. The Company's income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2017 relates primarily to U.S. alternative minimum taxes and income taxes of the Company's non-U.S. operations based on the annual effective tax rate method. The Company's income tax expense for the three months ended March 31, 2016 relates primarily to income taxes of the Company's non-U.S. operations. The Company's U.S. operation continues to be in a loss position and the Company maintains a 100% valuation allowance against its U.S. deferred tax assets. For the three months ended March 31, 2017, the Company's income tax benefit for excess tax deductions of approximately \$51,000, recorded discretely in the reporting period.

The Company utilizes the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes, under which deferred taxes are determined based on the temporary differences between the financial statement and tax basis of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates expected to be in effect during the years in which the basis differences reverse. A valuation allowance is recorded when it is more likely than not that some of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. As of March 31, 2017, and December 31, 2016, the Company had a 100% valuation allowance against its U.S. deferred tax assets. Significant management judgment is required in determining any valuation allowance recorded against deferred tax assets. In evaluating the ability to recover deferred tax assets, the Company considered available positive and negative evidence giving greater weight to its recent cumulative losses and lesser weight to its projected financial results due to the subjectivity involved in forecasting future periods. The Company also considered, commensurate with its objective verifiability, the forecast of future taxable income including the reversal of temporary differences and the implementation of feasible and prudent tax planning strategies.

Note 10. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company is named from time to time as a party to product liability, contractual lawsuits and other general corporate matters in the normal course of business. The Company routinely assesses the likelihood of any adverse judgments or outcomes related to legal matters and claims, as well as ranges of probable losses. A determination of the amount of the reserves required, if any, for these contingencies is made after analysis of each known issue, historical experience, whether it is more likely than not that the Company shall incur a loss, and whether the loss is estimable.

The Company is not currently a party to any material legal proceedings.

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

Caution Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the attached Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto, and with our audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 as contained in our annual report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 15, 2017. This quarterly report, including the following sections, contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Throughout this report, and particularly in this Item 2, the forward-looking statements are based upon our current expectations, estimates and projections and reflect our beliefs and assumptions based upon information available to us at the date of this report. In some cases, you can identify these statements by words such as "may," "might," "will," "should," "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "potential" or "continue," and other similar terms. These forward-looking statements are not quarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Our actual results, performance or achievements could differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements relating to our future financial performance, the ability to grow our business, increase our revenue, manage expenses, generate additional cash, achieve and maintain profitability, develop and commercialize existing and new products and applications, and improve the performance of our worldwide sales and distribution network, and the outlook regarding long term prospects. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. The cautionary statements set forth below and those contained in Part II, Item 1A – "Risk Factors" commencing on page 21 identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those predicted in any such forward-looking statements. We caution you to not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which reflect management's analysis and expectations only as of the date of this report. We undertake no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this Form 10-Q.

Introduction

The Management's Discussion and Analysis, or MD&A, is organized as follows:

- *Executive Summary.* This section provides a general description and history of our business, a brief discussion of our product lines and the opportunities, trends, challenges and risks we focus on in the operation of our business.
- Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates. This section describes the key accounting policies that are affected by critical accounting estimates.
- Results of Operations. This section provides our analysis and outlook for the significant line items on our Consolidated Statements of Operations.
- Liquidity and Capital Resources. This section provides an analysis of our liquidity and cash flows, as well as a discussion of our commitments.

Executive Summary

Company Description.

We are a leading medical device company specializing in the research, development, manufacture, marketing and servicing of laser and other energy-based aesthetics systems for practitioners worldwide. We offer easy-to-use products which enable physicians and other qualified practitioners to perform safe and effective aesthetic procedures, including treatment of vascular conditions and removal of benign pigmented lesions, hair removal, skin rejuvenation, body contouring, skin resurfacing, tattoo removal and toenail fungus. Our platforms are designed to be easily upgraded to add applications and hand pieces, which provide flexibility for our customers as they expand their practices. The sales of systems, system upgrades, hand pieces, hand piece refills (applicable to *Titan* and *truSculpt*) and the distribution of third party manufactured skincare products are classified as "Products" revenue. In addition to Products revenue, we generate revenue from the sale of post-warranty service contracts, parts, detachable hand piece replacements (except for *Titan* and *truSculpt*) and service labor for the repair and maintenance of products that are out of warranty, all of which is classified as "Service" revenue.

Our corporate headquarters and U.S. operations are located in Brisbane, California, where we conduct our manufacturing, warehousing, research and development, regulatory, sales and marketing, service, and administrative activities. We have wholly-owned subsidiaries in Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Hong Kong, Japan, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. We market, sell and service our products outside of the United States through our direct employees, third party service providers, as well as a global distributor network in over 40 countries.

Products

Our revenue is derived from the sale of Products and Services. Our Products revenue is derived from the sale of Systems, Hand piece refills (applicable to *Titan*[®] and *truSculpt*) and the distribution of third party manufactured Skincare products. Systems revenue includes the sales of new systems and additional applications that customers purchase as their practice grows. A system consists of a console that incorporates a universal graphic user interface, a laser and/or other energy-based module, control system software, high voltage electronics and one or more hand pieces. Our primary system platforms include:

- enlighten
- excel HR
- truSculpt
- excel V
- xeo

Other than the above mentioned five primary systems, we continue to generate revenue from our legacy products such as $GenesisPlus^{TM}$, $CoolGlide^{\$}$, $Solera^{\$}$, and a third-party sourced system called myQ^{TM} for the Japanese market. We have renewed our distribution contract for the sale of myQ in Japan on a non-exclusive basis through September 30, 2018. For our Titan and truSculpt hand pieces, after a set number of treatments have been performed, the customer is required to send the hand piece back to the factory for refurbishment, which we refer to as "refilling" the hand piece. In Japan, we distribute ZO Medical Health Inc. ("ZO") skincare products.

Service revenue relates to prepaid service contracts, direct billings for detachable hand piece replacements (except for *Titan* and *truSculpt*) and revenue for parts and labor on out-of-warranty products.

Significant Business Trends

We believe that our ability to grow revenue will be primarily dependent on the following:

- Consumer demand for the applications of our products.
- Customer (physicians and other practitioners) demand for our products.
- Continuing to expand our product offerings both through internal development and sourcing from other vendors.
- Ongoing investment in our global sales and marketing infrastructure.
- Use of clinical results to support new aesthetic products and applications.
- Enhanced luminary development and reference selling efforts (to develop a location where our products can be displayed and used to assist in selling efforts).
- Marketing to physicians in the core dermatology and plastic surgery specialties, as well as outside those specialties.
- Generating ongoing revenue from our growing installed base of customers through the sale of systems, system upgrades, hand piece refills, skincare products, and services.

For a detailed discussion of the significant business trends impacting our business, please see the section titled "Results of Operations" below.

Factors that May Impact Future Performance.

Our industry is impacted by numerous competitive, regulatory, macroeconomic and other significant factors. Our industry is highly competitive and our future performance depends on our ability to compete successfully. Additionally, our future performance is dependent upon our ability to continue to expand our product offerings, develop innovative technologies, obtain regulatory clearances for our products, protect the proprietary technology of our products and our manufacturing processes, manufacture our products cost-effectively, and successfully market and distribute our products in a profitable manner. If we fail to execute on the aforementioned initiatives, our business would be adversely affected. A detailed discussion of these and other factors that could impact our future performance are provided in Part II, Item 1A "Risk Factors" section below.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates.

The preparation of our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and related disclosures in conformity with GAAP requires us to make estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses. These estimates, judgments and assumptions are based on historical experience and on various other factors that we believe are reasonable under the circumstances. We periodically review our estimates and make adjustments when facts and circumstances dictate. To the extent that there are material differences between these estimates and actual results, our financial condition or results of operations will be affected.

Critical accounting estimates, as defined by the SEC, are those that are most important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results of operations and require our management's most difficult and subjective judgments and estimates of matters that are inherently uncertain. The accounting policies and estimates that we consider to be critical, subjective, and requiring judgment in their application are summarized in "Item 7—Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the SEC on March 15, 2017. There have been no significant changes to the accounting policies and estimates disclosed in our Form 10-K.

Results of Operations

The following table sets forth selected consolidated financial data for the periods indicated, expressed as a percentage of total revenue, net. Percentages in this table and throughout our discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations may reflect rounding adjustments.

| | Three Months | Ended |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| | March 3 | 1, |
| | 2017 | 2016 |
| | 1000/ | 40004 |
| Net revenue | 100% | 100% |
| Cost of revenue | 47% | 44% |
| Gross margin | 53% | 56% |
| Operating expenses: | | |
| Sales and marketing | 37% | 39% |
| Research and development | 10% | 12% |
| General and administrative | 11% | 14% |
| Total operating expenses | <u>58</u> % | 65% |
| Loss from operations | (5)% | (9)% |
| Interest and other income, net | 1% | —% |
| Loss before income taxes | (4)% | (9)% |
| | | |
| Benefit (provision) for income taxes | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Net loss | (4)% | (9)% |

Total Net Revenue

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | | |
|--|------------------------------|-------|------|--------|--|
| (Dollars in thousands) | 2017 % Change | | 2016 | | |
| Revenue mix by geography: | | | | | |
| United States | \$ 16,544 | 50% | \$ | 11,054 | |
| International | 12,755 | 12% | | 11,369 | |
| Consolidated total revenue | \$ 29,299 | 31% | \$ | 22,423 | |
| United States as a percentage of total revenue | 56% | | | 49% | |
| International as a percentage of total revenue | 44% | | | 51% | |
| Revenue mix by product category: | | | | | |
| Systems – North America | \$ 14,460 | 60% | \$ | 9,024 | |
| Systems – International | 8,532 | 14% | | 7,489 | |
| Total Systems | 22,992 | 39% | | 16,513 | |
| Hand Piece Refills | 499 | (12)% | | 564 | |
| Skincare | 984 | 12% | | 879 | |
| Service | 4,824 | 8% | | 4,467 | |
| Consolidated total revenue | \$ 29,299 | 31% | \$ | 22,423 | |

Total Net Revenue:

Our revenue increased by 31% in the three month period ended March 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016, due primarily to increased system revenues.

Revenue by Geography:

Our U.S. revenue increased by \$5.5 million, or 50% in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016. This increase was due primarily to increased headcount as well as additional marketing and promotional activities.

Our international revenue increased by \$1.4 million, or 12% in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016. This increase was due primarily to growth in our direct business in Europe, Australia and Hong Kong, partially offset by a decline in our direct business in Japan.

Revenue by Product Type:

Systems Revenue

Systems revenue in North America increased by \$5.4 million, or 60%, in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016. This increase was due primarily to increased headcount and additional marketing and promotional activities, resulting in increased *enlighten*, *xeo*, *truSculpt* and *excel HR* revenue, which was partially offset by declines in revenue from *excel V*.

Systems revenue outside of North America ("International") increased by \$1.0 million, or 14%, in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016. This increase was attributable primarily to increased revenue from *xeo* and *excel HR*, partially offset by declines in revenue from *enlighten* and *excel V*.

Hand Piece Refills Revenue

Our Hand Piece Refills revenue decreased by \$65,000, or 12%, in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016. This decrease was caused primarily by reduced utilization of the *Titan* hand pieces.

Skincare Revenue

Our revenue from Skincare products in Japan increased by \$105,000, or 12%, in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016. This increase was due primarily to increased marketing and promotional activities for this distributed product.

Service Revenue

Our worldwide Service revenue increased by \$357,000, or 8%, in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016. This increase was due primarily to increased sales of system parts to our network of international distributors.

Gross Profit

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|--------|--|--|
| (Dollars in thousands) | 2017 | % Change | 2016 | | |
| Gross profit | \$ 15,521 | 24% \$ | 12,474 | | |
| As a percentage of total net revenue | 53% | | 56% | | |

Our cost of revenue consists primarily of material, personnel expenses, product warranty costs, amortization of intangibles and manufacturing overhead expenses.

Gross margin decreased to 53% in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to 56% in the same period in 2016. This decrease was due primarily to:

- A product mix shift towards a higher percentage of revenue coming from our *enlighten* systems and associated upgrades and *excel HR* products, that have lower gross margins than our legacy products. We offered favorable discounted pricing to our installed base of customers to upgrade to *enlighten III* and as part of our normal market seeding of our product with key opinion leaders interested to act as future reference sites; and
- Higher initial costs, both manufacturing and warranty related, of our *enlighten III* system.

Sales and Marketing

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|-------|--|--|--|
| (Dollars in thousands) | 2017 | % Change | 2016 | | | |
| Sales and marketing | \$ 10,773 | 24% \$ | 8,716 | | | |
| As a percentage of total net revenue | 37% | | 39% | | | |

Sales and marketing expenses consist primarily of personnel expenses, expenses associated with customer-attended workshops and trade shows, post-marketing studies, and advertising. Sales and marketing expenses increased by \$2.1 million, and represented 37% of total net revenue in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to 39% in the same period in 2016. The \$2.1 million increase was due primarily to:

- \$1.2 million net increase in personnel related expenses, which were driven primarily by higher headcount and commissions in North America due to higher revenue;
- \$453,000 of higher promotional and product demonstration expenses, primarily in North America; and
- \$290,000 of higher travel related expenses in North America, resulting from greater activity and increased headcount.

Research and Development ("R&D")

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|-------|--|--|--|
| (Dollars in thousands) | 2017 | % Change | 2016 | | | |
| Research and development | \$ 2,945 | 9% \$ | 2,709 | | | |
| As a percentage of total net revenue | 10% | | 12% | | | |

R&D expenses consist primarily of personnel expenses, clinical research, regulatory and material costs. R&D expenses increased by \$236,000, and represented 10% of total net revenue, in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to 12% for the same period in 2016. This increase in expense was due primarily to:

- \$249,000 of increased personnel and consulting related expenses; partially offset by
- \$41,000 of decreased material spending, related to project timing.

General and Administrative ("G&A")

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|-------|--|--|--|
| (Dollars in thousands) | 2017 | % Change | 2016 | | | |
| General and administrative | \$ 3,216 | <u> </u> | 3,220 | | | |
| As a percentage of total net revenue | 11% | | 14% | | | |

G&A expenses consist primarily of personnel expenses, legal fees, accounting, audit and tax consulting fees, and other general and administrative expenses. G&A expenses decreased by \$4,000 and represented 11% of total net revenue in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to 14% in the same period in 2016.

Interest and Other Income, Net

Interest and other income, net, consists of the following:

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------|----------|----|------|
| (Dollars in thousands) | | 2017 | % Change | | 2016 |
| Interest income | \$ | 119 | 55% | \$ | 77 |
| Other income (expense), net | | 154 | 130% | | 67 |
| Total interest and other income, net | \$ | 273 | 90% | \$ | 144 |

Interest and other income, net, increased \$129,000 in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016. This increase was due primarily to a reduction in net foreign exchange losses as well as an increase in interest income from our marketable investments.

Provision for Income Taxes

| | | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----|------------------------------|---------|----------|---------|--|--|
| (Dollars in thousands) | | | 2017 | % Change | 2016 | | |
| Loss before income taxes | | \$ | (1,140) | (43)% \$ | (2,027) | | |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | | | (118) | (592)% | 24 | | |
| | 4.5 | | | | | | |

For the three months ended March 31, 2017, our income tax benefit was \$118,000, compared to a tax expense of \$24,000 in the same period in 2016. In the three months ended March 31, 2017, we calculated the provision for income taxes for interim reporting periods by applying an estimate of the "annual effective tax rate" for the full fiscal year to ordinary income or loss. Our income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2017 relates primarily to U.S. alternative minimum taxes as we are able to utilize our net operating losses brought forward against our projected income for fiscal 2017. In addition, our income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2017 reflects a projected income tax expense for our non-U.S. operations.

For our income tax provision in the three months ended March 31, 2016, the tax expense was primarily related to income taxes of our non-U.S. operations as our U.S. operations were in a loss position and we had a 100% valuation allowance against them. We did not record a year-to-date tax benefit associated with the projected 2016 U.S. tax expense as of March 31, 2016 due to historical losses and uncertainties related to the projected income. We continue to maintain a 100% valuation allowance against our U.S. deferred tax assets in fiscal 2016 and 2017.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Liquidity is the measurement of our ability to meet potential cash requirements, fund the planned expansion of our operations and acquire businesses. Our sources of cash include stock option exercises, Employee Stock Purchase Plan contributions, and the liquidation of marketable investments. We actively manage our cash usage and investment of liquid cash to ensure the maintenance of sufficient funds to meet our daily needs. The majority of our cash and investments are held in U.S. banks and our foreign subsidiaries maintain a limited amount of cash in their local banks to cover their short-term operating expenses.

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Marketable Investments

The following table summarizes our cash, cash equivalents and marketable investments:

| | March 31, |] | December 31, | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|----|--------------|----|---------|--|
| (Dollars in thousands) | 2017 | | 2016 | | Change | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 11,443 | \$ | 13,775 | \$ | (2,332) | |
| Marketable investments | 36,990 | | 40,299 | | (3,309) | |
| Total | \$ 48,433 | \$ | 54,074 | \$ | (5,641) | |

Cash Flows

| | 1 | Three Months Ended March 31, | | | |
|---|----|------------------------------|----|---------|--|
| (Dollars in thousands) | | 2017 | | 2016 | |
| Net cash flow provided by (used in): | | | | | |
| Operating activities | \$ | (3,785) | \$ | (4,044) | |
| Investing activities | | 3,274 | | (721) | |
| Financing activities | | (1,821) | | 162 | |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | \$ | (2,332) | \$ | (4,603) | |

Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Net cash used in operating activities in the three months ended March 31, 2017 was \$3.8 million, which was due primarily to:

- \$570,000 generated due to the net loss of \$1.0 million reduced by non-cash related items of \$1.6 million consisting primarily of stock-based compensation expense of \$1.4 million and depreciation and amortization expenses of \$248,000;
- \$491,000 generated from an increase in accounts payable; partially offset by
- \$2.7 million used to pay down the high year-end accrued liabilities balance;
- \$1.3 million used as a result of increased accounts receivables; and
- \$695,000 used to increase prepaid expenses.

Net cash used in operating activities in the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$4.0 million, which was due primarily to:

- \$467,000 used due to the net loss of \$2.1 million reduced by non-cash related items of \$1.6 million consisting primarily of stock-based compensation expense of \$1.3 million and depreciation and amortization expenses of \$240,000;
- \$2.8 million used to pay down the high year-end accrued liabilities balance;
- \$1.4 million used to increase inventories; partially offset by
- \$578,000 generated from a decrease in other working capital changes.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

We generated net cash of \$3.3 million in our investing activities in the three months ended March 31, 2017, which was attributable primarily to:

- \$19.3 million in net proceeds from the sales and maturities of marketable investments; partially offset by
- \$16.0 million of cash used to purchase marketable investments.

We used net cash of \$721,000 in our investing activities in the three months ended March 31, 2016, which was attributable primarily to:

- \$624,000, used to purchase marketable investments, net of proceeds from sales and maturities; and
- \$97,000 used in the acquisition of furniture and equipment.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Net cash used in financing activities was \$1.8 million in the three months ended March 31, 2017, which was primarily due to:

- repurchase of common stock for \$2.7 million;
- \$784,000 of cash used for taxes paid related to net share settlement of equity awards;
- payments for capital lease obligations of \$88,000; partially offset by
- proceeds of \$1.8 million from the issuance of common stock due to employees exercising their stock options.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$162,000 in the three months ended March 31, 2016, which was primarily due to:

- \$744,000 of proceeds from the issuance of common stock due to employees exercising their stock options; partially offset by
- the repurchase of common stock for \$279,000; and
- □•\$233,000 of cash used for taxes paid related to net share settlement of equity awards

Adequacy of Cash Resources to Meet Future Needs

We had cash, cash equivalents, and marketable investments of \$48.4 million as of March 31, 2017. For the first three months of 2017, we financed our operations through the sales and maturities of marketable investments and cash from the sale of stock due to employees exercising their stock options. We believe the existing capital resources, including cash, cash equivalents and marketable investments of \$48.4 million, are sufficient to meet our operating and capital requirements for the next several years, and enable us to repurchase the remaining \$7.2 million of stock pursuant to our Share Repurchase Program.

Except for the recent trend of cash used to fund our operating activities, purchase fixed assets and repurchase our common stock, we are unaware of any other known trends or any known demands, commitments, events or uncertainties, including collectability of our accounts receivable, that will result in, or that are reasonably likely to result in, liquidity increasing or decreasing in any material way.

Commitments and Contingencies

There have been no material changes to our commitments and contingencies from those disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, filed with the SEC on March 15, 2017.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

A summary of the key market risks facing the Company is disclosed below. For a detailed discussion, please see our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, filed with the SEC on March 15, 2017.

Interest Rate Fluctuations:

Our exposure to interest rate risk relates primarily to our investment portfolio, which includes primarily debt instruments of the U.S. Government and its agencies, municipal bonds, corporate debt securities and commercial paper. Fixed rate securities may have their fair market value adversely impacted if there is an increase in interest rates. While it is our intent to hold these securities to maturity, if for some reason we need to sell a security that has declined in market value due to changes in interest rates, then we may suffer losses in principal. To minimize the exposure due to adverse shifts in interest rates, we maintain investments at a weighted average maturity of generally less than eighteen months. Based on discounted cash flow modeling with respect to our total investment portfolio as of March 31, 2017, assuming a hypothetical increase in interest rates of one percentage point (or 100 basis points), the fair value of our total investment portfolio would have potentially declined by approximately \$163,000.

Foreign Exchange Fluctuations:

We do not actively hedge our exposure to currency rate fluctuations. Although a significant proportion of our revenue and costs are denominated in U.S. Dollars, we are exposed to foreign currency fluctuations in countries where we have a direct operation. The three major currencies that we have exposure to and have assets and liabilities denominated in local currencies in, are Japanese Yen, Euro and Australian Dollar.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Attached as exhibits to this Quarterly Report are certifications of our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), which are required in accordance with Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"). This Controls and Procedures section includes the information concerning the controls evaluation referred to in the certifications, and it should be read in conjunction with the certifications for a more complete understanding of the topics presented.

We conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in the Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act ("Disclosure Controls") as of the end of the period covered by this Report required by Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b). The controls evaluation was conducted under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including the CEO and CFO. Based on this evaluation, the CEO and CFO have concluded that as of the end of the period covered by this report the disclosure controls and procedures were effective at a reasonable assurance level.

Definition of Disclosure Controls

Disclosure Controls are controls and procedures designed to reasonably assure that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed under the Exchange Act, such as this Report, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure Controls are also designed to reasonably assure that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including the CEO and CFO, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our Disclosure Controls include components of internal control over financial reporting, which consists of control processes designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of its financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. To the extent that components of our internal control over financial reporting are included within Disclosure Controls, they are included in the scope of our annual controls evaluation.

Limitations on the Effectiveness of Controls

Our management, including the CEO and CFO, does not expect that our disclosure controls or internal control over financial reporting will prevent all error and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system's objectives will be met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision making can be faulty and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Controls can also be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls is based in part on certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with policies or procedures. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are named from time to time as a party to product liability and contractual lawsuits in the normal course of business. We routinely assess the likelihood of any adverse judgments or outcomes related to legal matters and claims, as well as ranges of probable losses. A determination of the amount of the reserves required, if any, for these contingencies is made after analysis of each known issue, historical experience, whether it is more likely than not that we shall incur a loss, and whether the loss is estimable. We are not currently a party to any material legal proceedings.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

We operate in a rapidly changing economic and technological environment that presents numerous risks, many of which are driven by factors that we cannot control or predict. Our business, financial condition and results of operations may be impacted by a number of factors. In addition to the factors discussed elsewhere in this report, the following risks and uncertainties could materially harm our business, financial condition or results of operations, including causing our actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statements. The following list of significant risk factors is not all-inclusive or necessarily in order of importance. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us, or that we currently deem immaterial, also may materially adversely affect us in future periods. You should carefully consider these risks and uncertainties before investing in our securities.

If our product mix does not improve towards more favorable higher margin products, or if our cost of revenue does not decrease as a percentage of our revenue, our gross margins and operating margins may be adversely impacted, it could have a material adverse effect on our profitability, cash flow from operations, assets and on our stock price.

Our gross margin (revenue less cost of revenue) declined to 53% in the three months ended March 31, 2017, compared to 56% in the same period in 2016. Our gross margin is impacted by the revenue that we generate and the costs incurred to generate the revenue. Our first quarter 2017 revenue was negatively impacted by our product mix towards a higher percentage of revenue being sourced from our *enlighten* and *excel HR* products, that have lower gross margins than our legacy products. Our gross margin from the *enlighten* product was adversely impacted by the sale of discounted *enlighten III* products and upgrades due in part to market seeding during the early launch phase of this new product. In addition, our initial cost of production and warranty of the *enlighten III* product were higher than expected.

In order to improve our gross margins for our *enlighten* products, we need to be able to increase the average selling prices ("ASPs"[]), as well as reduce its cost of production and servicing. While we are in the process of implementing initiatives to improve our *enlighten III* product margin, there can be no assurance given that we will be successful in doing so.

Our future gross margin may also be affected by a number of other factors including, the competitive market environment in which we operate, a decrease in ASPs achieved for our product sales, a shift in our product mix towards products with lower ASPs or lower margins, or a decrease in our ASPs as a result of bundling products to achieve higher revenue, or a decrease in the number of applications per system purchased by customers. In addition, our cost of revenue may also be adversely impacted by various factors such as increased expenses associated with the repair of defective products covered by our warranty program, utilization of our relatively fixed manufacturing costs, a shift in our product mix towards products that have a higher cost of manufacturing, and obsolescence of our inventory.

If our product mix towards higher margin products does not improve, or if our ASPs do not improve, or if our cost of revenue increases by a greater percentage than our revenue, or if we are not able to reduce expenses in the event of a decline in revenue, we may continue to experience a decline in our gross margins, compared to the same period in the prior year, which could have a material adverse effect on our profitability, cash flow from operations, assets and on our stock price.

We may be unable to maintain profitability.

Although we had profitable third and fourth quarters in 2016, we gave financial guidance that we expect to be in a loss position in the first quarter of 2017 but profitable for the full year of 2017, there can be no assurance that we will be able to achieve or maintain profitability for the remainder of fiscal 2017. Given our recent operating history of few profitable quarters, we cannot be certain that we will be able to maintain profitability in the future and you should not rely on our operating results for any prior quarterly or annual periods as an indication of our future operating performance. Any predictions about the performance of our operations in the future may not be as accurate as they could be if we had a longer history of profitability.

Revenue growth in our business is driven by several factors and one such factor is new product introductions. Our ability to sustain profitability depends on our ability to introduce new products that are adopted by our customers and on the extent to which we can increase revenue and control our costs to be able to leverage our expenses. In addition, we need to be able to counter any unforeseen difficulties, complications, product delays or other unknown factors that may require additional expenditures. Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with our growth prospects, product development, sales and marketing and other efforts, unforeseen litigation expenses, etc., we are unable to predict the extent of our future profitability or losses.

We rely heavily on our sales professionals to market and sell our products worldwide. If we are unable to hire, effectively train, manage, improve the productivity of, and retain our sales professionals, our business will be harmed, which would impair our future revenue and profitability.

Our success largely depends on our ability to hire, train, manage and improve the productivity levels of our sales professionals worldwide. Because of our focus on non-core practitioners in the past, several of our sales professionals do not have established relationships with the core market, consisting of dermatologists and plastic surgeons, or where those relationships exist, they are not very strong.

We have experienced direct sales employee and sales management turnover in North America, Japan, and Europe. Competition for sales professionals who are familiar and trained to sell in the aesthetic equipment market continues to be strong. As a result, we have lost some of our sales people to our competitors. Our industry is characterized by a few established companies that compete vigorously for talented sales professionals. Further, as the economy in North America has rebounded from the recent recession, some of those sales professionals have left our company for jobs that they perceive to be better opportunities, both within and outside of the aesthetic industry. However, we have also hired a record number of new sales people, including several from our competitors. Several of our sales employees and sales management have been recently hired or recently transferred into different roles, and it will take time for them to be fully trained to improve their productivity. In addition, due to the competition for sales professionals in our industry, we have recruited sales professionals from outside the industry. Sales professionals from outside the industry take longer to train and to become familiar with our products and the

procedures in which they are used. As a result of a lack of industry knowledge, these sales professionals may take longer to become productive members of our sales force.

We train our existing and recently recruited sales professionals to better understand our existing and new product technologies and how they can be positioned against our competitors' products. These initiatives are intended to improve the productivity of our sales professionals and our revenue and profitability. It takes time for the sales professionals to become productive following their training and there can be no assurance that the recently recruited sales professionals will be adequately trained in a timely manner, or that our direct sales productivity will improve, or that we will not experience significant levels of attrition in the future.

Measures we implement in an effort to recruit, retain, train and manage our sales professionals, strengthen their relationships with core market physicians, and improve their productivity may not be successful and may instead contribute to instability in our operations, additional departures from our sales organization, or further reduce our revenue and harm our business. If we are not able to improve the productivity and retention of our North American and international sales professionals, then our total revenue, profitability and stock price may be adversely impacted.

The aesthetic equipment market is characterized by rapid innovation. To compete effectively, we must develop and/or acquire new products, market them successfully, and identify new markets for our technology.

We have created products to apply our technology to body contouring, hair removal, treatment of veins, tattoo removal, and skin rejuvenation, including the treatment of diffuse redness, skin laxity, fine lines, wrinkles, skin texture, pore size and benign pigmented lesions, etc. For example, in the fourth quarter of 2014, we launched *enlighten*, a dual wavelength, dual pulse duration tattoo removal and benign pigmented lesions treatment system featuring picosecond technology. To grow in the future, we must continue to develop and/or acquire new and innovative aesthetic products and applications, identify new markets, and successfully launch the newly acquired or developed product offerings.

To successfully expand our product offerings, we must, among other things:

- Develop and acquire new products that either add to or significantly improve our current product offerings;
- Convince our existing and prospective customers that our product offerings are an attractive revenue-generating addition to their practice;
- Sell our product offerings to a broad customer base;
- Identify new markets and alternative applications for our technology;
- Protect our existing and future products with defensible intellectual property; and
- Satisfy and maintain all regulatory requirements for commercialization.

Historically, product introductions have been a significant component of our financial performance. To be successful in the aesthetics industry, we need to continue to innovate. Our business strategy has therefore been based, in part, on our expectation that we will continue to increase our product offerings. We need to continue to devote substantial research and development resources to make new product introductions, which can be costly and time consuming to our organization.

We also believe that, to increase revenue from sales of new products, we need to continue to develop our clinical support, further expand and nurture relationships with industry thought leaders and increase market awareness of the benefits of our new products. However, even with a significant investment in research and development, we may be unable to continue to develop, acquire or effectively launch and market new products and technologies regularly, or at all. If we fail to successfully commercialize new products, our business may be harmed.

While we attempt to protect our products through patents and other intellectual property, there are few barriers to entry that would prevent new entrants or existing competitors from developing products that compete directly with ours. We expect that any competitive advantage we may enjoy from current and future innovations may diminish over time as companies successfully respond to our, or create their own, innovations. Consequently, we believe that we will have to continuously innovate and improve our products and technology to compete successfully. If we are unable to innovate successfully, our products could become obsolete and our revenue could decline as our customers and prospects purchase our competitors' products.

Demand for our products in any of our markets could be weakened by several factors, including:

- Inability to develop and market our products to the core market specialties of dermatologists and plastic surgeons;
- Poor financial performance of market segments that attempt to introduce aesthetic procedures to their businesses;
- The inability to differentiate our products from those of our competitors;
- Reduced patient demand for elective aesthetic procedures;
- Failure to build and maintain relationships with opinion leaders within the various market segments;
- An increase in malpractice lawsuits that result in higher insurance costs; and
- The lack of credit financing, or an increase in the cost of borrowing, for some of our potential customers.

If we do not achieve anticipated demand for our products, there could be a material adverse effect on our total revenue, profitability, employee retention and stock price.

We depend on skilled and experienced personnel to operate our global business effectively. Changes to management or the inability to recruit, hire, train and retain qualified personnel, could harm our ability to successfully manage, develop and expand our business, which would impair our future revenue and profitability.

Our success largely depends on the skills, experience and efforts of our officers and other key employees. The loss of any of our executive officers could weaken our management expertise and harm our business, and we may not be able to find adequate replacements on a timely basis, or at all. Except for Change of Control and Severance Agreements for our executive officers and a few key employees, we do not have employment contracts with any of our officers or other key employees. Any of our officers and other key employees may terminate their employment at any time and their knowledge of our business and industry would be difficult to replace. We do not have a succession plan in place for each of our officers and key employees. In addition, we do not maintain "key person" life insurance policies covering any of our employees.

We recently hired a new Chief Executive Officer and President ("CEO"), who also is on our Board of Directors. His prior experience is primarily with medical device companies, but not within the aesthetics industry specifically. In addition, he has never been a public company CEO. Recently hired executives may view the business differently than prior members of management, and over time may make changes to the existing personnel and their responsibilities, our strategic focus, operations or business plans. We can give no assurances that we will be able to properly manage any such shift in focus, or that any changes to our business, would ultimately prove successful. In addition, leadership transitions and management changes can be inherently difficult to manage and may cause uncertainty or a disruption to our business or may increase the likelihood of turnover in key officers and employees. Our success depends in part on having a successful leadership team. If we cannot effectively manage the leadership transitions and management changes, it could make it more difficult to successfully operate our business and pursue our business goals. We cannot ensure that we will be able to retain the services of any members of our executive officers or other key employees. If we do not succeed in attracting well-qualified employees, retaining and motivating existing employees or integrating new executives and employees, our business could be materially and adversely affected.

Our ability to retain our skilled labor force and our success in attracting and hiring new skilled employees are critical factors in determining whether we will be successful in the future. We may not be able to meet our future hiring needs or retain existing personnel. The staff we hire to perform administrative functions may become stretched due to our increased growth and they may not be able to perform their jobs effectively or efficiently as a result.

We may face particularly significant challenges and risks in hiring, training, managing and retaining engineering and sales and marketing employees. Failure to attract, train and retain personnel, particularly technical and sales and marketing personnel, would materially harm our ability to compete effectively and grow our business.

Our search for a replacement Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), may cause uncertainty regarding the future of our operations, impact employee hiring and retention, increase the volatility in our stock price, and adversely impact our revenue, operating results, and financial condition.

On April 17, 2017, Our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer notified the Company that he plans to leave the Company. However, he plans to remain in his current role and assist with an orderly transition for up to three months following the appointment of his successor. While the Company has initiated a search to identify a replacement for him, any related speculation and uncertainty in connection with the search and the appointment of a replacement CFO may cause or result in:

- Disruption of our business or distraction of certain employees and management;
- Difficulty recruiting, hiring, motivating and retaining other talented and skilled personnel, including a replacement CFO; and
- Increased concern amongst our investors, which may increase our stock price volatility.

If we are unable to mitigate these or other potential risks related to the uncertainty caused by the planned departure and replacement of our CFO, it may disrupt our business or adversely impact our revenue, operating results, and financial condition. Further, there can be no assurance that we will be able to attract a qualified new CFO who has the desired qualifications to lead our Company or that we can hire a replacement CFO on acceptable terms.

The lease for our corporate headquarters and manufacturing facility in Brisbane, California, U.S.A., expires on December 31, 2017. We have identified a new facility in the same general vicinity of our current facility and our Board of Directors has approved the lease for this new facility. Even though the new facility is within 40 miles of our current facility, we may experience loss of key employees, incur relocation costs and capital expenditures for furniture, fixtures and equipmen

We occupy office space in Brisbane, California, in a facility leased from a commercial landlord, with a lease that expires on December 31, 2017. There is significant demand for leased facilities in the San Francisco Bay area and leasing costs have increased significantly over the last few years. We have identified a new facility in the same general vicinity of current facility and our Board of Directors has approved the lease for the new facility.

Even though the new facility is within 40 miles of our current facility, we may experience loss of key employees, incur relocation costs and capital expenditures relating to leasehold improvements, furniture, fixtures and equipment. Further, we may incur related expenses, such as those associated with regulatory approvals or clearances to manufacture our products. While we plan to arrange for an orderly move and relocation to the new facility, we may encounter disruptions of our manufacturing and operations, may not be able to hire replacement employees on a timely basis, and incur significant costs related to the move, all of which could have an adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flow.

Macroeconomic political and market conditions, and catastrophic events may adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition and stock price.

Our business is influenced by a range of factors that are beyond our control, including:

- General macro-economic and business conditions in our key markets of North America, Japan, Asia (excluding Japan), the Middle East, Europe and Australia;
- The lack of credit financing, or an increase in the cost of borrowing, for some of our potential customers due to increasing interest rates.
- The overall demand for our products by the core market specialties of dermatologists and plastic surgeons;

- The timing and success of new product introductions by us or our competitors or any other change in the competitive landscape for non-surgical aesthetic procedures, including consolidation among our competitors;
- The level of awareness of aesthetic procedures and the market adoption of our products;
- Changes in our pricing policies or those of our competitors;
- Governmental budgetary constraints or shifts in government spending priorities;
- General political developments, both domestic and in our foreign markets, including economic and political uncertainty caused by the recent election of a new U.S. president;
- Natural disasters;
- Currency exchange rate fluctuations; and
- Any trade restrictions or higher import taxes that may be imposed by foreign countries against products sold internationally by U.S. companies.

Macroeconomic developments, like global recessions and financial crises could negatively affect our business, operating results or financial condition which, in turn, could adversely affect our stock price. A general weakening of, and related declining corporate confidence in, the global economy or the curtailment in government or corporate spending could cause current or potential customers to reduce their budgets or be unable to fund product or upgrade application purchases, which could cause customers to delay, decrease or cancel purchases of our products and services or cause customers not to pay us or to delay paying us for previously purchased products and services.

In addition, political unrest in regions like the Middle East, terrorist attacks around the globe and the potential for other hostilities in various parts of the world, potential public health crises and natural disasters continue to contribute to a climate of economic and political uncertainty that could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition, including our revenue growth and profitability.

Macroeconomic declines, negative political developments, adverse market conditions and catastrophic events may cause a decline in our revenue, negatively affect our operating results, adversely affect our cash flow and could result in a decline in our stock price.

The price of our common stock has increased by over 73% in the six months ended March 31, 2017 and may fluctuate substantially due to several factors, some of which are discussed below. Further, we have a limited number of shares of common stock outstanding, a large portion of which is held by a small number of investors, which could result in the increase in volatility of our stock price.

The price of our common stock has increased by over 73% in the six months ended March 31, 2017 due in part to our recent improved revenue and profitability performance, the acquisition of two of our competitors (Cynosure and Zeltiq) in February 2017, the financial guidance we communicated to the investor community in February 2017, repurchases of our stock, the overall rise in the stock market following the conclusion of the U.S. presidential election in November 2016 and other factors. As of December 31, 2016, approximately 50% of our outstanding shares of common stock were held by 10 institutional investors. As a result of our relatively small public float, our common stock may be less liquid than the stock of companies with broader public ownership. Among other things, trading of a relatively small volume of our common stock may have a greater impact on the trading price for our shares than would be the case if our public float were larger. The public market price of our common stock has in the past fluctuated substantially and, due to the current concentration of stockholders, may continue to do so in the future.

The market price for our common stock could also be affected by a number of other factors, including:

- Litigation surrounding executive compensation has increased. If we are involved in a lawsuit related to compensation matters or any other matters not covered by our D&O insurance, there could be material expenses involved, fines, or remedial actions which could negatively affect our stock price;
- The general market conditions unrelated to our operating performance;
- Sales of large blocks of our common stock, including sales by our executive officers, directors and our large institutional investors;
- Quarterly variations in our, or our competitors', results of operations;
- Actual or anticipated changes or fluctuations in our results of operations;
- Actual or anticipated changes in analysts' estimates, investors' perceptions, recommendations by securities analysts or our failure to achieve analysts' estimates:
- The announcement of new products, service enhancements, distributor relationships or acquisitions by us or our competitors;
- The announcement of the departure of a key employee or executive officer by us or our competitors;
- Regulatory developments or delays concerning our, or our competitors' products; and
- The initiation of any other litigation by us or against us.

Actual or perceived instability and / or volatility in our stock price could reduce demand from potential buyers of our stock, thereby causing our stock price to either remain depressed or to decline further.

In addition, if the market for medical-device company stocks or the stock market in general experiences a loss of investor confidence, the trading price of our common stock could decline for reasons unrelated to our business, results of operations or financial condition. The trading price of our common stock might also decline in reaction to events that affect other companies in our industry even if these events do not directly affect us. In the past, following periods of volatility in the market price of a company's securities, securities class action litigation has often been brought against that company. Any future securities litigation could result in substantial costs and divert our management's attention and resources from our business. This could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

We may fail to meet our publicly announced guidance or other expectations about our business and future operating results, which would cause our stock price to decline.

We may continue to provide financial guidance about our business and future operating results. In developing this guidance, our management must make certain assumptions and judgments about our future operating performance, including projected hiring of sales professionals, continued growth of revenue in the aesthetic device market, continue to increase our market share, reduce costs of production of our recently introduced products, and continued stability of the macro-economic environment in our key markets. Furthermore, analysts and investors may develop and publish their own projections of our business, which may form a consensus about our future performance. Our business results may vary significantly from such guidance or that consensus due to a number of factors, many of which are outside of our control, and which could adversely affect our operations and operating results. Furthermore, if we make downward revisions of our previously announced guidance, or if our publicly announced guidance of future operating results fails to meet expectations of securities analysts, investors or other interested parties, the price of our common stock would decline.

To successfully market and sell our products internationally, we must address many issues that are unique to our international business.

International revenue is a material component of our business strategy, and represented 45% of our total revenue in 2016 compared to 48% of our total revenue in 2015. In addition, while our international revenue in 2015 increased by 8% compared to 2014, it was negatively impacted by the appreciation of the U.S. Dollar versus the major currencies in which we transact. We depend on third-party distributors and a direct sales force to sell our products internationally, and if they underperform, we may be unable to increase or maintain our level of international revenue. For example, our direct business in Japan declined in 2015, due in part to the negative impact of foreign exchange and employee turnover, which negatively impacted our revenue from international operations.

We have experienced significant turnover of our European sales team in the past. While we continue to have a direct sales and service organization in France, Belgium, Spain, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, a significant portion of our European revenue is generated through our network of distributors. Though we continue to evaluate and replace non-performing distributors, and have recently brought greater focus on collaborating with our distributor partners, there can be no assurance given that these initiatives will result in improved European-sourced revenue or profitability in the future.

To grow our business, we will need to improve productivity in current sales territories and expand into new territories. However, direct sales productivity may not improve and distributors may not accept our business or commit the necessary resources to market and sell our products to the level of our expectations. If we are not able to increase or maintain international revenue growth, our total revenue, profitability and stock price may be adversely impacted.

We believe, as we continue to manage our international operations and develop opportunities in additional international territories, our international revenue will be subject to a number of risks, including:

- Fluctuating foreign currency exchange rates;
- Difficulties in staffing and managing our foreign operations;
- Increased management, travel, infrastructure and legal compliance costs associated with having international operations in various countries;
- Political and economic uncertainty around the world, such as the recent U.S. presidential election and the United Kingdom's referendum in June 2016 in which voters approved an exit from the European Union, commonly referred to as "Brexit";
- Compliance with multiple and changing foreign laws and regulations, including foreign certification and regulatory requirements and the risks and costs of non-compliance with such laws and regulations;
- Lengthy payment cycles and difficulty in collecting accounts receivable;

- Compliance with laws and regulations for foreign operations, including the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the United Kingdom Bribery Act, import and export control laws, tariffs, trade barriers, economic sanctions and other regulatory or contractual limitations on our ability to sell our offerings in certain foreign markets, and the risks and costs of non-compliance;
- Customs clearance and shipping delays;
- Lack of awareness of our brand in international markets;
- Preference for locally-produced products; and
- Reduced protection for intellectual property rights in some countries and practical difficulties of enforcing intellectual property and contract rights abroad.

If one or more of these risks were realized, it could require us to dedicate significant resources to remedy the situation; and if we were unsuccessful at finding a solution, we may not be able to sell our products in a particular market and, as a result, our revenue may decline.

In addition, compliance with laws and regulations applicable to our international operations increases our cost of doing business in foreign jurisdictions. We may be unable to keep current with changes in foreign government requirements and laws as they change from time to time. Failure to comply with these regulations could have adverse effects on our business. In many foreign countries it is common for others to engage in business practices that are prohibited by our internal policies and procedures or United States regulations applicable to us. In addition, although we have implemented policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance with these laws and policies, there can be no assurance that all of our employees, contractors, distributors and agents will comply with these laws and policies. Violations of laws or key control policies by our employees, contractors, distributors or agents could result in delays in revenue recognition, financial reporting misstatements, fines, penalties, or the prohibition of the importation or exportation of our offerings and could have a material adverse effect on our business operations and financial results.

To successfully market and sell third party products internationally, we must address many issues that are unique to the related distribution arrangements which could reduce our available cash reserves and negatively impact our profitability.

We have entered into distribution arrangements pursuant to which we utilize our sales force and distributors to sell products manufactured by other companies. In Japan, we have a non-exclusive right to distribute a Q-switched laser product manufactured by a third party OEM. We also have an exclusive agreement with ZO to distribute certain of their proprietary skincare products in Japan. Each of these agreements requires us to purchase annual minimum dollar amounts of their products.

Each of these distribution agreements presents its own unique risks and challenges. For example, to sell skincare products we need to invest in creating a sales structure that is experienced in the sale of such products and not in capital equipment. We need to commit resources to train our sales force, obtain regulatory licenses in Japan and develop new marketing materials to promote the sale of skincare products. In addition, the minimum commitments and other costs of distributing products manufactured by these companies may exceed the incremental revenue that we derive from the sale of their products, thereby negatively impacting our profitability and reducing our available cash reserves.

If we do not make the minimum purchases required in the distribution contracts, or if the third party manufacturer revokes our distribution rights, we could lose the distribution rights of the products to physicians in Japan, which would adversely affect our future revenue, results of operations, cash flows and our stock price.

We offer credit terms to some qualified customers and also to leasing companies to finance the purchase of our products. In the event that any of these customers default on the amounts payable to us, our earnings may be adversely affected.

We generally offer credit terms of 30 to 90 days to qualified customers. In addition, from time to time, we offer certain key international distributors, with whom we have had an extended period of relationship and payment history, payment terms that are significantly longer than the regular 30 to 90 day terms. This allows such international distributor partners to have our products in stock and provide our products to customers on a timely basis. As of March 31, 2017, one international distributor partner accounted for 13% of our outstanding accounts receivable balance.

While we believe we have an adequate basis to ensure that we collect our accounts receivable, we cannot provide any assurance that the financial position of customers to whom we have provided payment terms will not change adversely before we receive payment. In the event that there is a default by any of the customers to whom we have provided credit terms, we may recognize a bad debt charge in our general and administrative expenses. If this bad debt charge is material, it could negatively affect our future results of operations, cash flows and our stock price.

Any acquisitions that we make could result in operating difficulties, dilution, and other consequences that may adversely impact our business and results of operations.

While we from time to time evaluate potential acquisitions of businesses, products and technologies, and anticipate continuing to make these evaluations, we have no present understandings, commitments or agreements with respect to any material acquisitions or collaborative projects We may not be able to identify appropriate acquisition candidates or strategic partners, or successfully negotiate, finance or integrate any businesses, products or technologies that we acquire.

We have limited experience as a team with acquiring companies and products. Furthermore, the integration of any acquisition and management of any collaborative project may divert management®€™s time and resources from our core business and disrupt our operations and we may incur significant legal, accounting and banking fees in connection with such a transaction. Acquisitions could diminish our available cash balances for other uses, result in the incurrence of debt, contingent liabilities, or amortization expenses, and restructuring charges. Also, the anticipated benefits or value of our acquisitions or investments may not materialize and could result in an impairment of goodwill and/or purchased long-lived assets, similar to the \$650,000 charge we recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014 related to an acquisition completed in 2012.

Our failure to address these risks or other problems encountered in connection with our past or future acquisitions and investments could cause us to fail to realize the anticipated benefits of such acquisitions or investments, incur unanticipated liabilities, and harm our business and our financial condition or results.

We are subject to fluctuations in the exchange rate of the U.S. Dollar and foreign currencies.

Foreign currency fluctuations could result in volatility of our revenue. We do not actively hedge our exposure to currency rate fluctuations. While we transact business primarily in U.S. Dollars, and a significant proportion of our revenue is denominated in U.S. Dollars, a portion of our costs and revenue is denominated in other currencies, such as the Euro, Japanese Yen, Australian Dollar and Canadian Dollar. As a result, changes in the exchange rates of these currencies to the U.S. Dollar will affect our results from operations. For example, in 2016 the U.S. Dollar devalued against the Japanese Yen by approximately 10%, which had a significant positive foreign exchange impact on our revenue – both from a re-measurement gain upon the conversion of our Japanese Yen denominated revenue as well as the additional positive revenue impact due to the effective price decrease for the local customers importing our U.S. Dollar denominated systems into Japan. However in 2015, as a result of the strengthening of the U.S. Dollar, relative to many other major currencies, our products priced in U.S. Dollars became more expensive relative to products of our foreign competitors. In addition, our revenue earned in foreign currencies, such as our locally generated revenue in Japan, was negatively impacted upon translation into U.S. Dollars. Both these factors had a negative impact on our international revenue in 2015, compared to 2014. Future foreign currency fluctuations could adversely impact and increase the volatility of our revenue, profitability and stock price.

Our ability to effectively compete and generate additional revenue from new and existing products depends upon our ability to distinguish our company and our products from our competitors and their products, and to develop and effectively market new and existing products. Our success is dependent on many factors, including the following:

- Speed of new and innovative product development;
- Effective strategy and execution of new product launches;
- Identification and development of clinical support for new indications of our existing products;
- Product performance;
- Product pricing;
- Quality of customer support;
- Development of successful distribution channels, both domestically and internationally; and
- Intellectual property protection.

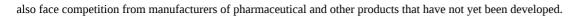
To compete effectively, we have to demonstrate that our new and existing products are attractive alternatives to other devices and treatments, by differentiating our products on the basis of such factors as innovation, performance, brand name, service, and price. This is difficult to do, especially in a crowded aesthetic market. Some of our competitors have newer or different products and more established customer relationships than we do, which could inhibit our market penetration efforts. For example, we have encountered, and expect to continue to encounter, situations where, due to pre-existing relationships, potential customers decided to purchase additional products from our competitors. Potential customers also may need to recoup the cost of products that they have already purchased from our competitors and may decide not to purchase our products, or to delay such purchases. If we are unable to increase our market penetration or compete effectively, our revenue and profitability will be adversely impacted.

We compete against companies that offer alternative solutions to our products, or have greater resources, a larger installed base of customers and broader product offerings than ours. In addition, increased consolidation in our industry may lead to increased competition. If we are not able to effectively compete with these companies, it may harm our business.

Our industry is subject to intense competition. Our products compete against conventional non-energy-based treatments, such as electrolysis, Botox and collagen injections, chemical peels, microdermabrasion and sclerotherapy. Our products also compete against laser and other energy-based products offered by public companies, such as Cynosure (Hologic announced its intent to acquire Cynosure in February 2017), Elen (in Italy), XIO Group (acquired Lumenis in September 2015), Syneron, Zeltiq (Allergan announced its intent to acquire Zeltiq in February 2017), Valeant (acquired Solta in January 2014), as well as private companies, including Alma, Sciton, and several others. Further, other companies could introduce new products that are in direct competition with our products. Competition with these companies could result in reduced selling prices, reduced profit margins and loss of market share, any of which would harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Recently, there has been consolidation in the aesthetic industry leading to companies combining their resources, which increases competition and could result in increased downward pressure on our product prices. For example, in February 2017, Allergan announced its intent to acquire of Zeltiq and Hologic announced its intent to acquire Cynosure, XIO Group acquired Lumenis in September 2015, and Valeant acquired Solta in January 2014. These consolidations have resulted in increased competition and pricing pressure, as the newly-combined entities have greater financial resources, deeper sales channels and greater pricing flexibility than we do. Rumored or actual consolidation of our partners and competitors will likely cause uncertainty and disruption to our business and can cause our stock price to fluctuate.

The energy-based aesthetic market faces competition from non-energy-based medical products, such as Botox and collagen injections. Other alternatives to the use of our products include electrolysis, a procedure involving the application of electric current to eliminate hair follicles, and chemical peels. We may



If there is not sufficient consumer demand for the procedures performed with our products, practitioner demand for our products could be inhibited, resulting in unfavorable operating results and reduced growth potential.

Continued expansion of the global market for laser and other-energy-based aesthetic procedures is a material assumption of our business strategy. Most procedures performed using our products are elective procedures not reimbursable through government or private health insurance, with the costs borne by the patient. The decision to utilize our products may therefore be influenced by a number of factors, including:

- Consumer disposable income and access to consumer credit, which as a result of the unstable economy, may have been significantly impacted;
- The cost of procedures performed using our products;
- The cost, safety and effectiveness of alternative treatments, including treatments which are not based upon laser or other energy-based technologies and treatments which use pharmaceutical products;
- The success of our sales and marketing efforts; and
- The education of our customers and patients on the benefits and uses of our products, compared to competitors' products and technologies.

If, as a result of these factors, there is not sufficient demand for the procedures performed with our products, practitioner demand for our products could be reduced, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, revenue and result of operations.

If we fail to comply with applicable regulatory requirements, it could result in enforcement action by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (the "FDA"), federal and state agencies or international regulatory bodies.

The FDA, state authorities and international regulatory bodies have broad enforcement powers. If we fail to comply with any U.S. law or any of the applicable regulatory requirements of the FDA, or federal or state agencies, or one of the international regulatory bodies, it could result in enforcement action by the agencies, which may include any of the following sanctions:

- Warning letters, fines, injunctions, consent decrees and civil penalties;
- Repair, replacement, refund, recall or seizure of our products;
- Operating restrictions or partial suspension or total shutdown of production;
- Refusing our requests for 510(k) clearance or pre-market approval of new products, new intended uses, or modifications to existing products;
- Withdrawing 510(k) clearance or pre-market approvals that have already been granted; and
- Criminal prosecution.

If we fail to obtain or maintain necessary FDA clearances for our products and indications, if clearances for future products and indications are delayed or not issued, if there are federal or state level regulatory changes or if we are found to have violated applicable FDA marketing rules, our commercial operations would be harmed.

Our products are medical devices that are subject to extensive regulation in the U.S. by the FDA for manufacturing, labeling, sale, promotion, distribution and shipping. Before a new medical device, or a new use of or labeling claim for an existing product, can be marketed in the U.S., it must first receive either 510(k) clearance or pre-market approval from the FDA, unless an exemption applies. Either process can be expensive and lengthy. In the event that we do not obtain FDA clearances or approvals for our products, our ability to market and sell them in the U.S. and revenue derived from the U.S. market may be adversely affected.

Medical devices may be marketed in the U.S. only for the indications for which they are approved or cleared by the FDA. If we fail to comply with these regulations, it could result in enforcement action by the FDA which could lead to such consequences as warning letters, adverse publicity, criminal enforcement action and/or third-party civil litigation, each of which could adversely affect us.

We have obtained 510(k) clearance for the indications for which we market our products. However, our clearances can be revoked if safety or effectiveness problems develop. We also are subject to Medical Device Reporting regulations, which require us to report to the FDA if our products cause or contribute to a death or serious injury, or malfunction in a way that would likely cause or contribute to a death or serious injury. Our products are also subject to state regulations, which, in many instances, change frequently. Changes in state regulations may impede sales. For example, federal regulations allow our products to be sold to, or on the order of, "licensed practitioners," as determined on a state-by-state basis. As a result, in some states, non-physicians may legally purchase our products. However, a state could change its regulations at any time, thereby prohibiting sales to particular types of end users. We cannot predict the impact or effect of future legislation or regulations at the federal or state levels.

Federal regulatory reforms and changes occurring at the FDA could adversely affect our ability to sell our products profitably and financial condition.

From time to time, legislation is drafted and introduced in Congress that could significantly change the statutory provisions governing the clearance or approval, manufacture and marketing of a device. It is impossible to predict whether legislative changes will be enacted or FDA regulations, guidance or interpretations changed, and what the impact of such changes, if any, may be.

In addition, FDA regulations and guidance are often revised or reinterpreted by the agency in ways that may significantly affect our business and our products. Changes in FDA regulations may lengthen the regulatory approval process for medical devices and require additional clinical data to support regulatory clearance for the sale and marketing of our new products. In addition, it may require additional safety monitoring, labeling changes, restrictions on product distribution or use, or other measures after the introduction of our products to market. Either of these changes lengthen the duration to market, increase our costs of doing business, adversely affect the future permitted uses of approved products, or otherwise adversely affect the market for our products.

If we fail to comply with the FDA's Quality System Regulation and laser performance standards, our manufacturing operations could be halted, and our business would suffer.

We are currently required to demonstrate and maintain compliance with the FDA's Quality System Regulation (the "QSR"). The QSR is a complex regulatory scheme that covers the methods and documentation of the design, testing, control, manufacturing, labeling, quality assurance, packaging, storage and shipping of our products. Because our products involve the use of lasers, our products also are covered by a performance standard for lasers set forth in FDA regulations. The laser performance standard imposes specific record-keeping, reporting, product testing and product labeling requirements. These requirements include affixing warning labels to laser products, as well as incorporating certain safety features in the design of laser products.

The FDA enforces the QSR and laser performance standards through periodic unannounced inspections. We have had multiple quality system audits by the FDA, our Notified Body, and other foreign regulatory agencies, with the most recent inspection by the FDA occurring over three weeks in March 2014. There were no significant findings and only one observation as a result of this audit. Our response to this observation was accepted by the FDA. Failure to take satisfactory corrective action in response to an adverse QSR inspection or our failure to comply with applicable laser performance standards could result in enforcement actions, including a public warning letter, a shutdown of our manufacturing operations, a recall of our products, civil or criminal penalties, or other sanctions, such as those described in the preceding paragraph, which would cause our sales and business to suffer.

We are a sponsor of Biomedical Research. As such, we are also subject to FDA regulations relating to the design and conduct of clinical trials. We are subject to unannounced Bioresearch Monitoring Program ("BIMO") audits, with the most recent inspection by FDA occurring over 5 days in August 2016. There were no significant findings and only two observations as a result of this audit. Our responses to these observations were accepted by the FDA. Failure to take satisfactory corrective action in response to an adverse BIMO inspection or our failure to comply with Good Clinical Practices could result in us no longer being able to sponsor Biomedical Research, the reversal of 510(k) clearances previously granted based on the results of clinical trials conducted to gain clinical data to support those 510(k) clearances, or enforcement actions, including a public warning letter, civil or criminal penalties, or other sanctions, such as those described in the preceding paragraph, which would cause our sales and business to suffer.

If we modify one of our FDA-approved devices, we may need to seek re-approval, which, if not granted, would prevent us from selling our modified products or cause us to redesign our products.

Any modifications to an FDA-cleared device that would significantly affect its safety or effectiveness or that would constitute a major change in its intended use would require a new 510(k) clearance or possibly a pre-market approval. We may not be able to obtain additional 510(k) clearance or pre-market approvals for new products or for modifications to, or additional indications for, our existing products in a timely fashion, or at all. Delays in obtaining future clearance would adversely affect our ability to introduce new or enhanced products in a timely manner, which in turn would harm our revenue and future profitability.

We have made modifications to our devices in the past and may make additional modifications in the future that we believe do not or will not require additional clearance or approvals. If the FDA disagrees, and requires new clearances or approvals for the modifications, we may be required to recall and to stop marketing the modified devices, which could harm our operating results and require us to redesign our products.

We may be unable to obtain or maintain international regulatory qualifications or approvals for our current or future products and indications, which could harm our business.

Sales of our products outside the U.S. are subject to foreign regulatory requirements that vary widely from country to country. In addition, exports of medical devices from the U.S. are regulated by the FDA. Complying with international regulatory requirements can be an expensive and time-consuming process and approval is not certain. The time required for obtaining clearance or approvals, if required by other countries, may be longer than that required for FDA clearance or approvals, and requirements for such clearances or approvals may significantly differ from FDA requirements. We may be unable to obtain or maintain regulatory qualifications, clearances or approvals in other countries. We may also incur significant costs in attempting to obtain and in maintaining foreign regulatory approvals or qualifications. If we experience delays in receiving necessary qualifications, clearances or approvals to market our products outside the U.S., or if we fail to receive those qualifications, clearances or approvals, we may be unable to market our products or enhancements in international markets effectively, or at all, which could have a material adverse effect on our business and growth strategy.

Any defects in the design, material or workmanship of our products may not be discovered prior to shipment to customers, which could materially increase our expenses, adversely impact profitability and harm our business.

The design of our products is complex. To manufacture them successfully, we must procure quality components and employ individuals with a significant degree of technical expertise. If our designs are defective, or the material components used in our products are subject to wearing out, or if suppliers fail to deliver components to specification, or if our employees fail to properly assemble, test and package our products, the reliability and performance of our products will be adversely impacted.

If our products contain defects that cannot be repaired easily, inexpensively, or on a timely basis, we may experience:

- Damage to our brand reputation;
- Loss of customer orders and delay in order fulfillment;
- Increased costs due to product repair or replacement;
- Inability to attract new customers;
- Diversion of resources from our manufacturing and research and development departments into our service department; and
- Legal action.

The occurrence of any one or more of the foregoing could materially increase expenses, adversely impact profitability and harm our business.

Product liability suits could be brought against us due to a defective design, material or workmanship or misuse of our products and could result in expensive and time-consuming litigation, payment of substantial damages and an increase in our insurance rates.

If our products are defectively designed, manufactured or labeled, contain defective components or are misused, we may become subject to substantial and costly litigation by our customers or their patients. Misusing our products or failing to adhere to operating guidelines could cause significant eye and skin damage, and underlying tissue damage. In addition, if our operating guidelines are found to be inadequate, we may be subject to liability. We have been involved, and may in the future be involved, in litigation related to the use of our products. Product liability claims could divert management's attention from our core business, be expensive to defend and result in sizable damage awards against us. We may not have sufficient insurance coverage for all future claims. We may not be able to obtain insurance in amounts or scope sufficient to provide us with adequate coverage against all potential liabilities. Any product liability claims brought against us, with or without merit, could increase our product liability insurance rates or prevent us from securing continuing coverage, could harm our reputation in the industry and could reduce product sales. In addition, we historically experienced steep increases in our product liability insurance premiums as a percentage of revenue. If our premiums continue to rise, we may no longer be able to afford adequate insurance coverage.

If customers are not trained and/or our products are used by non-physicians, it could result in product misuse and adverse treatment outcomes, which could harm our reputation, result in product liability litigation, distract management and result in additional costs, all of which could harm our business.

Because we do not require training for users of our products, and sell our products at times to non-physicians, there exists an increased potential for misuse of our products, which could harm our reputation and our business. U.S. federal regulations allow us to sell our products to or on the order of "licensed practitioners." The definition of "licensed practitioners" varies from state to state. As a result, our products may be purchased or operated by physicians with varying levels of training, and in many states, by non-physicians, including nurse practitioners, chiropractors and technicians. Outside the U.S., many jurisdictions do not require specific qualifications or training for purchasers or operators of our products. We do not supervise the procedures performed with our products, nor do we require that direct medical supervision occur. We and our distributors generally offer but do not require product training to the purchasers or operators of our products. In addition, we sometimes sell our systems to companies that rent our systems to third parties and that provide a technician to perform the procedures. The lack of training and the purchase and use of our products by non-physicians may result in product misuse and adverse treatment outcomes, which could harm our reputation and our business, and, in the event these result in product liability litigation, distract management and subject us to liability, including legal expenses.

Adverse conditions in the global banking industry and credit markets may adversely impact the value of our marketable investments or impair our liquidity.

We invest our excess cash primarily in money market funds and in highly liquid debt instruments of the U.S. government and its agencies and U.S. municipalities, in commercial paper and high grade corporate debt. As of March 31, 2017, our balance in marketable investments was \$37 million. The longer the duration of a security, the more susceptible it is to changes in market interest rates and bond yields. As yields increase, those securities with a lower yield-at-cost show a mark-to-market unrealized loss. For example, assuming a hypothetical increase in interest rates of one percentage point, the fair value of our total investment portfolio as of March 31, 2017 would have potentially decreased by approximately \$163,000, resulting in an unrealized loss that would subsequently adversely impact our earnings. As a result, changes in the market interest rates will affect our future net income (loss).

Our manufacturing operations are dependent upon third-party suppliers, making us vulnerable to supply shortages and price fluctuations, which could harm our business.

Many of the components and materials that comprise our products are currently manufactured by a limited number of suppliers. A supply interruption or an increase in demand beyond our current suppliers' capabilities could harm our ability to manufacture our products until a new source of supply is identified and qualified. Our reliance on these suppliers subjects us to a number of risks that could harm our business, including:

- Interruption of supply resulting from modifications to or discontinuation of a supplier's operations;
- Delays in product shipments resulting from uncorrected defects, reliability issues or a supplier's variation in a component;
- A lack of long-term supply arrangements for key components with our suppliers;
- Inability to obtain adequate supply in a timely manner, or on reasonable terms;
- Inability to redesign one or more components in our systems in the event that a supplier discontinues manufacturing such components and we are unable to source it from other suppliers on reasonable terms;
- Difficulty locating and qualifying alternative suppliers for our components in a timely manner;
- Production delays related to the evaluation and testing of products from alternative suppliers and corresponding regulatory qualifications; and
- Delay in supplier deliveries.

Any interruption in the supply of components or materials, or our inability to obtain substitute components or materials from alternate sources at acceptable prices in a timely manner, could impair our ability to meet the demand of our customers, which would have an adverse effect on our business.

Intellectual property rights may not provide adequate protection for some or all of our products, which may permit third parties to compete against us more effectively.

We rely on patent, copyright, trade secret and trademark laws and confidentiality agreements to protect our technology and products. As of March 31, 2017, we had 34 issued U.S. patents. Some of our components, such as our laser module, electronic control system and high-voltage electronics, are not, and in the future may not be, protected by patents. Additionally, our patent applications may not issue as patents or, if issued, may not issue in a form that will be advantageous to us. Any patents we obtain may be challenged, invalidated or legally circumvented by third parties. Consequently, competitors could market products and use manufacturing processes that are substantially similar to, or superior to, ours. We may not be able to prevent the unauthorized disclosure or use of our technical knowledge or other trade secrets by consultants, vendors, former employees or current employees, despite the existence generally of confidentiality agreements and other contractual restrictions. Monitoring unauthorized uses and disclosures of our intellectual property is difficult, and we do not know whether the steps we have taken to protect our intellectual property will be effective. Moreover, the laws of many foreign countries will not protect our intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the U.S.

The absence of complete intellectual property protection exposes us to a greater risk of direct competition. Competitors could purchase one of our products and attempt to replicate some or all of the competitive advantages we derive from our development efforts, design around our protected technology, or develop their own competitive technologies that fall outside of our intellectual property rights. If our intellectual property is not adequately protected against competitors' products and methods, our competitive position and our business could be adversely affected.

We may be involved in future costly intellectual property litigation, which could impact our future business and financial performance.

Our competitors or other patent holders may assert that our present or future products and the methods we employ are covered by their patents. In addition, we do not know whether our competitors own or will obtain patents that they may claim prevent, limit or interfere with our ability to make, use, sell or import our products. Although we may seek to resolve any potential future claims or actions, we may not be able to do so on reasonable terms, or at all. If, following a successful third-party action for infringement, we cannot obtain a license or redesign our products, we may have to stop manufacturing and selling the applicable products and our business would suffer as a result. In addition, a court could require us to pay substantial damages, and prohibit us from using technologies essential to our products, any of which would have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

We may become involved in litigation not only as a result of alleged infringement of a third party's intellectual property rights but also to protect our own intellectual property. For example, we have been, and may hereafter become, involved in litigation to protect the trademark rights associated with our company name or the names of our products. Infringement and other intellectual property claims, with or without merit, can be expensive and time-consuming to litigate, and could divert management's attention from our core business.

The expense and potential unavailability of insurance coverage for our customers could adversely affect our ability to sell our products, and therefore adversely affect our financial condition.

Some of our customers and prospective customers have had difficulty procuring or maintaining liability insurance to cover their operation and use of our products. Medical malpractice carriers are withdrawing coverage in certain states or substantially increasing premiums. If this trend continues or worsens, our customers may discontinue using our products and potential customers may opt against purchasing laser-based products due to the cost or inability to procure insurance coverage. The unavailability of insurance coverage for our customers and prospects could adversely affect our ability to sell our products, and that could harm our financial condition.

From time to time we may become subject to income tax audits or similar proceedings, and as a result we may incur additional costs and expenses or owe additional taxes, interest and penalties that may negatively impact our operating results.

We are subject to income taxes in the United States and certain foreign jurisdictions where we operate through a subsidiary, including Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Hong Kong, Japan, Spain, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. Our determination of our tax liability is subject to review by applicable domestic and foreign tax authorities.

We are currently under audit for our California sales and use tax returns for the period July 2013 through June 2016, and are uncertain of the potential outcome of this audit. Also, in June 2016, we underwent an audit of our Canadian goods and services tax and harmonized sales tax returns for the period January 2013 to July 2015. Although this audit resulted in immaterial adjustments, the final timing and resolution of any future tax examinations are subject to significant uncertainty and could result in our having to pay amounts to the applicable tax authority in order to resolve examination of our tax positions, which could result in an increase or decrease of our current estimate of unrecognized tax benefits and may negatively impact our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

We may be adversely affected by changes in U.S. tax laws, importation taxes and other changes that may be imposed by the current administration.

Congress and the current administration have indicated a desire to reform the U.S. corporate income tax. As part of any tax reform, it is possible that the current corporate income tax rate may be reduced, and there may be other potential changes including limiting or eliminating various other deductions, credits or tax preferences. In addition, if the current administration starts levying import taxes on products being sourced from Mexico and other international locations from where we source components for building our products, this could adversely affect our cost of producing our products and profitability. markAt this time, it is not possible to measure the potential impact on the value of our business, prospects or results of operations that might result upon enactment of U.S tax laws and other changes.

Anti-takeover provisions in our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws, and Delaware law, contain provisions that could discourage a takeover.

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws, and Delaware law, contain provisions that might enable our management to resist a takeover, and might make it more difficult for an investor to acquire a substantial block of our common stock. These provisions include:

- A classified board of directors;
- Advance notice requirements to stockholders for matters to be brought at stockholder meetings;
- Limitations on stockholder actions by written consent; and
- The right to issue preferred stock without stockholder approval, which could be used to dilute the stock ownership of a potential hostile acquirer.

These provisions, as well as Change of Control and Severance Agreements entered into with each of our executive officers and certain key employees, might discourage, delay or prevent a change in control of our company or a change in our management. The existence of these provisions could adversely affect the voting power of holders of common stock and limit the price that investors might be willing to pay in the future for shares of our common stock. In addition, as a Delaware corporation, we are subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. These provisions may prohibit large stockholders, in particular those owning 15% or more of our outstanding voting stock, from merging or combining with us for a certain period of time. Any of these provisions could, under certain circumstances, depress the market price of our common stock.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

The following table summarizes the activity related to stock repurchases for the three months ended March 31, 2017 (in thousands except per share data):

| 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 Program |
|----------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|---|
| February 21-28, 2017 | 30 | 21.06 | 30 | 9,509 |
| March 1-31, 2017 | 110 | 20.57 | 110 | 7,238 |
| February 21-March 31, 2017 | 140 | 20.68 | 140 | 7,238 |

On February 8, 2016, our Board of Directors approved the expansion of the Stock Repurchase Program by \$10 million, under which the Company is authorized to repurchase shares of its common stock. As of December 31, 2016, there remained an additional \$5.1 million to be purchased. On February 13, 2017 our Board of Directors approved the expansion of the Stock Repurchase Program by an additional \$5 million. In the three months ended March 31, 2017, we repurchased 140,400 shares of our common stock for approximately \$2.9 million. As of March 31, 2017, there remained an additional \$7.2 million available in the Stock Repurchase Program to repurchase shares of common stock. All shares repurchased were retired and returned to authorized but unissued status.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

None.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

The Company's Board of Directors has approved a facility lease for a new corporate headquarter building in Fremont, California. The Company plans to contract with the landlord and move into the new facility at the end of 2017.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

Exhibit

No. Description

- 3.2(1) Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant (Delaware).
- 3.4(1) Bylaws of the Registrant.
- 4.1(2) Specimen Common Stock certificate of the Registrant.
- 10.14(3) Cutera, Inc. 2004 Amended and Restated Equity Incentive Plan.
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 101.ins Instance Document
- 101.sch XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
- 101.cal XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
- 101.def XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
- 101.lab XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
- 101.pre XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
- (1) Incorporated by reference from our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-111928) which was declared effective on March 30, 2004.
- (2) Incorporated by reference from our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 25, 2005.
- (3) Incorporated by reference from our Definitive Proxy Statement on Form 14A filed with the SEC on April 27, 2015.

SIGNATURE

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, in the city of Brisbane, State of California, on the 1st day of May, 2017.

CUTERA, INC.

/S/ RONALD J. SANTILLI

Ronald J. Santilli

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, James A. Reinstein, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Cutera, Inc.:
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;
 - b. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors:
 - a. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 1, 2017

/S/ JAMES A. REINSTEIN

James A. Reinstein

President, Chief Executive Officer

Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, Ronald J. Santilli, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Cutera, Inc.:
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report:
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f)) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;
 - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditor and the audit committee of registrant's board of:
 - (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 1, 2017

Ronald J. Santilli
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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

- I, James A. Reinstein, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that
 - the accompanying Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2017 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
 - the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/S/ JAMES A. REINSTEIN Date: May 1, 2017

James A. Reinstein President, Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

- I, Ronald J. Santilli, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that
 - the accompanying Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2017 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
 - the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/S/ RONALD J. SANTILLI Date: May 1, 2017

Ronald J. Santilli **Chief Financial Officer** (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

This certification accompanies this Report pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and shall not be deemed filed by the Company for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.