UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 28, 2015

Vantiv, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of incorporation)

001-35462 (Commission File Number) 26-4532998 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

8500 Governor's Hill Drive Symmes Township, Ohio 45249 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(513) 900-5250 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

eck the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following visions:
Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 28, 2015, Vantiv, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the third quarter of 2015. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information furnished on this Form 8-K, including the exhibit attached, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated October 28, 2015

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

VANTIV, INC.

October 28, 2015 By: /s/ MARK L. HEIMBOUCH

Name: Mark L. Heimbouch

Title: Sr. Executive Vice President and Chief Operating & Financial

Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated October 28, 2015

Vantiv Reports Third Quarter 2015 Results

Net Revenue Increased 13% to \$430 Million

Pro Forma Adjusted Net Income per Share Increased 20% to \$0.59

CINCINNATI, October 28, 2015 - Vantiv, Inc. (NYSE: VNTV) ("Vantiv" or the "company") today announced financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2015. Revenue increased 17% to \$816 million in the third quarter as compared to \$697 million in the prior year period. Net revenue increased 13% to \$430 million in the third quarter as compared to \$381 million in the prior year period, primarily due to an 8% increase in transactions and a 5% increase in net revenue per transaction. On a GAAP basis, net income attributable to Vantiv, Inc. was \$41 million or \$0.27 per diluted share in the third quarter as compared to \$30 million or \$0.20 per diluted share in the prior year period. Pro forma adjusted net income increased 22% to \$119 million in the third quarter as compared to \$97 million in the prior year period. Pro forma adjusted net income per share increased 20% to \$0.59 in the third quarter as compared to \$0.49 in the prior year period. (See Schedule 2 for pro forma adjusted net income and Schedule 6 for GAAP net income reconciliation to pro forma adjusted net income.)

"Our business is firing on all cylinders," said Charles Drucker, president and chief executive officer of Vantiv, "with strong performances in both our Merchant and Financial Institution Services segments."

Merchant Services

Merchant Services net revenue increased 16% to \$345 million in the third quarter as compared to \$298 million in the prior year period, primarily due to an 8% increase in transactions and a 7% increase in net revenue per transaction. Sales and marketing expenses increased 21% to \$126 million in the third quarter as compared to \$104 million in the prior year period, primarily due to continued successful new sales execution as well as strong growth from our high growth channels.

Financial Institution Services

Financial Institution Services net revenue increased 3% to \$86 million in the third quarter as compared to \$83 million in the prior year period as a 7% increase in transactions was partially offset by lower net revenue per transaction. Sales and marketing expenses decreased 10% to \$6 million in the third quarter as compared to \$7 million in the prior year period.

Capital Allocation

The company repurchased approximately 4.4 million shares of its Class A common stock for approximately \$200 million beginning in the third quarter and continuing into the fourth quarter. The company also recently terminated a portion of the obligations under the tax receivable agreements with Fifth Third Bank. The terminated obligations represented approximately \$140 million in accrued liabilities and were terminated for approximately \$49 million. The termination of these obligations will result in approximately \$0.05 in accretion to pro forma adjusted net income per share beginning in 2016.

Fourth Quarter and Full-Year Financial Outlook

Based on the current level of transaction trends and new business activity, net revenue for the fourth quarter of 2015 is expected to be \$429 to \$437 million, representing an increase of 7% to 9% above the prior year period. Pro forma adjusted net income per share for the fourth quarter of 2015 is expected to be \$0.61 to \$0.63, representing an increase of 15% to 19% above the prior year period. GAAP net income per share attributable to Vantiv, Inc. is expected to be \$0.30 to \$0.32 for the fourth quarter of 2015.

Based on our strong performance year-to-date and outlook for the fourth quarter, our full-year 2015 expectations have increased. Net revenue for the full-year 2015 is expected to be \$1,657 to \$1,665 million, representing growth of 18% to 19% above the prior year. Pro forma adjusted net income per share for the full-year 2015 is expected to be \$2.21 to \$2.23, representing growth of 18% to 19% above the prior year. GAAP net income per share attributable to Vantiv, Inc. is expected to be \$0.94 to \$0.96 for the full-year 2015.

Earnings Conference Call and Audio Webcast

The company will host a conference call to discuss the third quarter 2015 financial results today at 8:00 a.m. EDT. The conference call can be accessed live over the phone by dialing (866) 416-5346, or for international callers (913) 312-0692, and referencing conference code 312013. A replay will be available approximately two hours after the call concludes and can be accessed by dialing (888) 203-1112, or for international callers (719) 457-0820, and entering replay passcode 312013. The replay will be available through Wednesday, November 11, 2015. The call will also be webcast live from the company's investor relations website at http://investors.vantiv.com. Following completion of the call, a recorded replay of the webcast will be available on the website.

About Vantiv, Inc.

Vantiv, Inc. (NYSE: VNTV) is a leading payment processor differentiated by an integrated technology platform. Vantiv offers a comprehensive suite of traditional and innovative payment processing and technology solutions to merchants and financial institutions of all sizes, enabling them to address their payment processing needs through a single provider. We build strong relationships with our clients, helping them become more efficient, more secure and more successful. Vantiv is the second largest merchant acquirer and the largest PIN debit acquirer based on number of transactions in the U.S. The company's growth strategy includes expanding further into high-growth channels and verticals, including integrated payments, ecommerce, and merchant bank. For more information, visit www.vantiv.com.

Non-GAAP and Pro Forma Financial Measures

This earnings release presents non-GAAP and pro forma financial information including net revenue, adjusted EBITDA, pro forma adjusted net income, and pro forma adjusted net income per share. These are important financial performance measures for the company, but are not financial measures as defined by GAAP. The presentation of this financial information is not intended to be considered in isolation of or as a substitute for, or superior to, the financial information prepared and presented in accordance with GAAP. The company uses these non-GAAP and pro forma financial performance measures for financial and operational decision making and as a means to evaluate period-to-period comparisons. The company believes that they provide useful information about operating results, enhance the overall understanding of past financial performance and future prospects, and allow for greater transparency with respect to key metrics used by management in its financial and operational decision making. Reconciliations of these measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures are presented in the attached schedules.

Forward-Looking Statements

This release contains forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. All statements other than statements of historical fact or relating to present facts or current conditions included in this release are forward-looking statements including any statements regarding guidance and statements of a general economic or industry specific nature. Forward-looking statements give our current expectations and projections relating to our financial condition, results of operations, guidance, plans, objectives, future performance and business. You can identify forward-looking statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. These statements may include words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "project," "plan," "intend," "believe," "may," "should," "can have," "likely" and other words and terms of similar meaning in connection with any discussion of the timing or nature of future operating or financial performance or other events.

The forward-looking statements contained in this release are based on assumptions that we have made in light of our industry experience and our perceptions of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors we believe are appropriate under the circumstances. As you review and consider information presented herein, you should understand that these statements are not guarantees of future performance or results. They depend upon future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties (many of which are beyond our control) and assumptions. Although we believe that these forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, you should be aware that many factors could affect our actual future performance or results and cause them to differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements. Certain of these factors and other risks are discussed in the company's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and include, but are not limited to: (i) our ability to adapt to developments and change in our industry; (ii) competition; (iii) unauthorized disclosure of data or security breaches; (iv) systems failures or interruptions; (v) our ability to expand our market share or enter new markets; (vi) our ability to identify and complete acquisitions, joint ventures and partnerships; (vii) failure to comply with applicable requirements of Visa, MasterCard or other payment networks or changes in those requirements; (viii) our ability to pass along fee increases; (ix) termination of sponsorship or clearing services; (x) loss of clients or referral partners; (xi) reductions in overall consumer, business and government spending; (xii) fraud by merchants or others; (xiii) a decline in the use of credit, debit or prepaid cards; (xiv) consolidation in the banking and retail industries; (xv) the effects of governmental regulation or changes in laws; and (xvi) outcomes of future litigation or investigations. Should one or more of these risks or unc

may vary in material respects from those projected in these forward-looking statements. More information on potential factors that could affect the company's financial results and performance is included from time to time in the "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" sections of the company's periodic reports filed with the SEC, including the company's most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K and its subsequent filings with the SEC.

Any forward-looking statement made by us in this release speaks only as of the date of this release. Factors or events that could cause our actual results to differ may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for us to predict all of them. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by law.

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	Three Months End		Ended		 Nine Moi	ıths	Ended		
		September 30,		September 30,		September 30,		September 30,	
		2015		2014	% Change	2015		2014	% Change
Revenue	\$	815,998	\$	697,109	17 %	\$ 2,307,604	\$	1,843,418	25 %
Network fees and other costs		385,548		316,592	22 %	1,079,043		843,030	28 %
Net revenue		430,450		380,517	13 %	1,228,561		1,000,388	23 %
Sales and marketing		132,481		111,233	19 %	371,461		280,184	33 %
Other operating costs		66,563		60,659	10 %	211,853		177,782	19 %
General and administrative		41,492		45,422	(9)%	136,395		126,580	8 %
Depreciation and amortization		70,638		65,289	8 %	206,099		204,176	1 %
Income from operations		119,276		97,914	22 %	302,753		211,666	43 %
Interest expense—net		(27,044)		(28,039)	(4)%	(78,769)		(52,089)	51 %
Non-operating expenses(1)		(8,308)		(6,594)	26 %	(23,799)		(34,250)	(31)%
Income before applicable income taxes		83,924		63,281	33 %	200,185		125,327	60 %
Income tax expense		24,776		20,436	21 %	61,348		38,078	61 %
Net income		59,148		42,845	38 %	138,837		87,249	59 %
Less: Net income attributable to non- controlling interests		(17,656)		(12,859)	37 %	(41,820)		(30,536)	37 %
Net income attributable to Vantiv, Inc.	\$	41,492	\$	29,986	38 %	\$ 97,017	\$	56,713	71 %
Net income per share attributable to Vantiv, Inc. Class A common stock:									
Basic	\$	0.29	\$	0.21	38 %	\$ 0.67	\$	0.40	68 %
Diluted(2)	\$	0.27	\$	0.20	35 %	\$ 0.64	\$	0.40	60 %
Shares used in computing net income per share of Class A common stock:									
Basic		145,015,310		144,632,010		145,039,413		141,127,560	
Diluted		201,899,024		199,698,988		201,483,652		199,074,819	
Non Financial Data:									
Transactions (in millions)		5,776		5,360	8 %	16,907		14,420	17 %

⁽¹⁾ Non-operating expenses during 2015 primarily relate to the change in fair value of a tax receivable agreement ("TRA") entered into in June 2014. The amounts for 2014 primarily relate to the refinancing of our senior secured credit facilities in June 2014 and the change in fair value of a TRA entered into in June 2014.
(2) Due to our structure as a C corporation and Vantiv Holding's structure as a pass-through entity for tax purposes, the numerator in the diluted net income per share calculation is adjusted to reflect our income tax expense at an expected effective tax rate assuming the conversion of the Class B units of Vantiv Holding into shares of our Class A common stock. The expected effective tax rate for 2015 and 2014 was 36.0% and 36.5%, respectively. The components of the diluted net income per share calculation are as follows:

		Three Mo	nths E	Ended	Nine Months Ended							
	Septembe			September 30,	5	September 30,	5	September 30,				
	2015			2014		2015	2014					
Income before applicable income taxes	\$	83,924	\$	63,281	\$	200,185	\$	125,327				
Taxes		30,213		23,098	72,067			45,744				
Net income	\$	\$ 53,711		40,183	\$	128,118	\$	79,583				
Diluted shares		201,899,024		199,698,988		201,483,652		199,074,819				
Diluted EPS	\$ 0.27			0.20	\$	0.64	\$	0.40				

(in thousands, except share data)

See schedule 6 and 7 for a reconciliation of GAAP net income to pro forma adjusted net income.

	 Three Mo	nths	Ended		 Nine Mor	iths l	Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,		September 30,		September 30,	
	2015		2014	% Change	 2015		2014	% Change
Revenue	\$ 815,998	\$	697,109	17 %	\$ 2,307,604	\$	1,843,418	25%
Network fees and other costs	385,548		316,592	22 %	1,079,043		843,030	28%
Net revenue	430,450		380,517	13 %	1,228,561		1,000,388	23%
Sales and marketing	132,481		111,233	19 %	371,461		280,184	33%
Other operating costs	61,453		57,955	6 %	188,510		165,359	14%
General and administrative	28,111		29,865	(6)%	86,508		78,032	11%
Adjusted EBITDA(1)	208,405		181,464	15 %	 582,082		476,813	22%
Depreciation and amortization	21,956		20,143	9 %	62,668		56,681	11%
Adjusted income from operations	186,449		161,321	16 %	519,414		420,132	24%
Interest expense—net	(27,044)		(28,039)	(4)%	(78,769)		(52,089)	51%
Non-GAAP adjusted income before applicable income taxes	159,405		133,282	20 %	440,645		368,043	20%
Pro Forma Adjustments:								
Income tax expense(2)	57,386		48,648	18 %	158,632		134,336	18%
Tax adjustments(3)	(16,842)		(12,418)	36 %	(40,178)		(34,005)	18%
Less: JV non-controlling interest(4)	(319)		(186)	72 %	(1,470)		(487)	202%
Pro forma adjusted net income(5)	\$ 118,542	\$	96,866	22 %	\$ 320,721	\$	267,225	20%
Pro Forma adjusted net income per share(6)	\$ 0.59	\$	0.49	20 %	\$ 1.59	\$	1.34	19%
Adjusted shares outstanding	201,899,024		199,698,988		201,483,652		199,074,819	
Non Financial Data:								
Transactions (in millions)	5,776		5,360	8 %	16,907		14,420	17%
Net revenue per transaction	\$ 0.0745	\$	0.0710	5 %	\$ 0.0727	\$	0.0694	5%

Non-GAAP and Pro Forma Financial Measures

This schedule presents non-GAAP and pro forma financial measures, which are important financial performance measures for the Company, but are not financial measures as defined by GAAP. Such financial measures should not be considered as alternatives to GAAP net income, and such measures may not be comparable to those reported by other companies.

Pro forma adjusted net income is derived from GAAP net income, adjusting for the following items: (a) amortization of intangible assets acquired in business combinations and customer portfolio and related asset acquisitions; (b) non-operating expenses primarily associated with the refinancing of our senior secured credit facilities in June 2014 and the change in fair value of a TRA entered into in June 2014; (c) adjustments to income tax expense assuming conversion of the Fifth Third Bank non-controlling interest into shares of Class A common stock; (d) share-based compensation; (e) acquisition and integration costs incurred in connection with our acquisitions, costs associated with our separation from Fifth Third Bank and charges related to employee termination benefits and other transition activities; and (f) tax benefits due to the amortization of intangible assets and other tax attributes resulting from or acquired with our acquisitions, and to the tax basis step up associated with our separation from Fifth Third Bank and the purchase or exchange of Class B units of Vantiv Holding, net of payment obligations under tax receivable agreements.

⁽¹⁾ See schedule 8 for a reconciliation of GAAP net income to adjusted EBITDA.
(2) Represents income tax expense at an effective rate of 36.0% for 2015 and 36.5% for 2014, assuming the conversion of the Class B units of Vantiv Holding into shares of Class A common stock, including the tax effect of adjustments described above. The effective tax rate is expected to remain at 36.0% for the remainder of 2015.

⁽³⁾ Represents tax benefits due to the amortization of intangible assets and other tax attributes resulting from or acquired with our acquisitions, and to the tax basis step up associated with our separation from Fifth Third Bank and the purchase or exchange of Class B units of Vantiv Holding, net of payment obligations under tax receivable agreements.

⁽⁴⁾ Represents the non-controlling interest, net of pro forma income tax expense discussed in (2) above, associated with a consolidated joint venture formed in May 2014.

⁽⁵⁾ Pro forma adjusted net income assumes the conversion of the Fifth Third Bank non-controlling interest into shares of Class A common stock.
(6) Pro forma adjusted net income per share is calculated as pro forma adjusted net income divided by adjusted shares outstanding.

Merchant Services

		Three Months Er	nded Sep	tember 30,			
		2015		2014		\$ Change	% Change
Total revenue	\$	687,394	\$	(dollars i 580,082	n thousands \$	107,312	18%
Network fees and other costs	Φ	342,518	ψ	282,431	Φ	60,087	21%
Net revenue		344,876		297,651	_	47,225	16%
Sales and marketing		126,400		104,460		21,940	21%
Segment profit	\$	218,476	\$	193,191	\$	25,285	13%
Segment profit	<u> </u>	210,470	<u> </u>	193,191	<u> </u>	23,263	137
Non-financial data:							
Transactions (in millions)		4,743		4,398			8%
Net revenue per transaction	\$	0.0727	\$	0.0677			7%
		Nine Months En	ded Sept	ember 30,			
		2015		2014		\$ Change	% Change
Total revenue	\$	1,935,364	\$	(dollars i 1,486,991	n thousands \$	448,373	30%
Network fees and other costs	Ð	962,714	ψ	738,440	Φ	224,274	30%
Net revenue		972,650		748,551	_		30%
Sales and marketing		353,435		260,225		224,099 93,210	36%
Segment profit	¢		<u> </u>		<u>¢</u>		
Segment profit	\$	619,215	\$	488,326	\$	130,889	27%
Non-financial data:							
Transactions (in millions)		13,887		11,575			20%
Net revenue per transaction	\$	0.0700	\$	0.0647			8%
		Three Months En	ded Sept	tember 30,	9	5 Change	% Change
					n thousands		
Total revenue	\$	128,604	\$	117,027	\$	11,577	10 %
Network fees and other costs		43,030		34,161		8,869	20.0
Net revenue				34,101			26 %
Sales and marketing		85,574		82,866		2,708	3 %
Segment profit		85,574 6,081				2,708 (692)	3 %
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	Sep	tember 30, 2015	Dec	ember 31, 2014
Assets				
Current assets:				= 00
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	287,558	\$	411,568
Accounts receivable—net		578,842		607,674
Related party receivable		6,253		6,164
Settlement assets		107,171		135,422
Prepaid expenses		34,801		26,906
Other		17,337		27,002
Total current assets		1,031,962		1,214,736
Customer incentives		48,963		39,210
Property, equipment and software—net		293,630		281,715
Intangible assets—net		910,840		1,034,692
Goodwill		3,366,528		3,291,366
Deferred taxes		419,082		429,623
Other assets		39,155		44,741
Total assets	\$	6,110,160	\$	6,336,083
Liabilities and equity				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	319,496	\$	299,771
Related party payable		3,904		2,035
Settlement obligations		496,667		501,042
Current portion of note payable		116,501		116,501
Current portion of tax receivable agreement obligations to related parties		33,666		22,789
Current portion of tax receivable agreement obligations		61,196		
Deferred income		7,917		5,480
Current maturities of capital lease obligations		8,592		8,158
Other		13,250		7,557
Total current liabilities		1,061,189		963,333
Long-term liabilities:		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Note payable		2,991,668		3,277,237
Tax receivable agreement obligations to related parties		563,591		597,273
Tax receivable agreement obligations		122,267		152,420
Capital lease obligations		23,271		14,779
Deferred taxes		17,658		24,380
Other		41,585		6,075
Total long-term liabilities		3,760,040		4,072,164
Total liabilities		4,821,229		5,035,497
Commitments and contingencies				
Equity:				
Total equity (1)		1,288,931		1,300,586
Total liabilities and equity	\$	6,110,160	\$	6,336,083

⁽¹⁾ Includes equity attributable to non-controlling interests.

		Nine Months Ended					
	Sept	ember 30, 2015	Sep	tember 30, 2014			
Operating Activities:							
Net income	\$	138,837	\$	87,249			
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:							
Depreciation and amortization expense		206,099		169,909			
Write-off of intangible asset		_		34,267			
Amortization of customer incentives		12,535		8,094			
Amortization and write-off of debt issuance costs		6,784		30,416			
Share-based compensation expense		23,852		30,797			
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation		(15,797)		(11,845			
Tax receivable agreements non-cash items		21,196		8,311			
Change in operating assets and liabilities:							
Accounts receivable and related party receivable		28,743		(15,946			
Net settlement assets and obligations		23,876		109,402			
Customer incentives		(22,716)		(11,581			
Prepaid and other assets		2,016		(10,321			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		75,578		34,473			
Payable to related party		1,869		733			
Other liabilities		3,685		(1,161			
Net cash provided by operating activities		506,557		462,797			
Investing Activities:							
Purchases of property and equipment		(64,344)		(76,984			
Acquisition of customer portfolios and related assets		(39,312)		(27,399			
Purchase of investments				(7,487			
Cash used in acquisitions, net of cash acquired		_		(1,658,694			
Net cash used in investing activities		(103,656)		(1,770,564			
Financing Activities:	<u></u>	(===,===)		(=,:::,::::			
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		<u></u>		3,443,000			
Repayment of debt and capital lease obligations		(295,208)		(1,838,906			
Payment of debt issuance cost		(233,200)		(38,069			
Proceeds from exercise of Class A common stock options		12,739		2,774			
Repurchase of Class A common stock		(161,156)		(34,366			
Repurchase of Class A common stock (to satisfy tax withholding obligations)		(16,119)		(16,699			
Settlement of certain tax receivable agreements		(44,800)		(10,055			
Payments under tax receivable agreements		(22,805)		(8,639			
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation		15,797					
				11,845			
Distributions to non-controlling interests		(12,732)		(13,153			
Decrease in cash overdraft		(2,627)		4 505 505			
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(526,911)		1,507,787			
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(124,010)		200,020			
Cash and cash equivalents—Beginning of period		411,568		171,427			
Cash and cash equivalents—End of period	\$	287,558	\$	371,447			
Cash Payments:							
Interest	\$	73,965	\$	44,611			
Income taxes		6,484		18,422			
Non-cash Items:							
Issuance of tax receivable agreements to related parties	\$	_	\$	109,400			
Contingent consideration for issuance of tax receivable agreement				137,120			

			Three	Months Ended Se	ptember 30, 2015			
			Non-GAAP Adj	ustments		Pro Forma	Adjustments	
	GAAP		Share-Based Compensation	Amortization of Intangible Assets(2)	Non-Operating Expenses(3)	Non- Controlling Interest(4)	Tax Adjustments	Pro Forma Adjusted Net Income
Revenue	\$ 815,998	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 815,998
Network fees and other costs	385,548	_	_	_	_	_	_	385,548
Net revenue	430,450	_				_		430,450
Sales and marketing	132,481	_	_	_	_	_	_	132,481
Other operating costs	66,563	(5,110)	_	_	_	_	_	61,453
General and administrative	41,492	(6,249)	(7,132)	_	_	_	_	28,111
Depreciation and amortization	70,638	_	_	(48,682)	_	_	_	21,956
Income from operations	119,276	11,359	7,132	48,682		_	_	186,449
Interest expense—net	(27,044)	_	_	_	_	_	_	(27,044)
Non-operating expenses	(8,308)	_	_	_	8,308	_	_	_
Income before applicable income taxes	83,924	11,359	7,132	48,682	8,308		_	159,405
Income tax expense	24,776	_	_	_	_	_	32,610	(5) 57,386
Tax adjustments	_	_	_	_	_	_	(16,842)	(6) (16,842)
Less: JV non-controlling interest	_	_	_	_	_	(319)	_	(319)
Net income	\$ 59,148	\$ 11,359	\$ 7,132	\$ 48,682	\$ 8,308	\$ (319)	\$ (15,768)	\$ 118,542

				Three	Mon	ths Ended Se	ptem	ber 30, 2014							
				Non-GAAP Adj	ustme	ents				Pro Forma Adjustments					
	GAAP	Transition, Acquisition and Integration(1)		Share-Based Compensation	of	nortization Intangible Assets(2)		n-Operating expenses(3)	Co	Non- ntrolling terest(4)	Ad	Tax ljustments		Adj	o Forma justed Net income
Revenue	\$ 697,109	\$ —	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_		\$	697,109
Network fees and other costs	316,592	_		_		_		_		_		_		:	316,592
Net revenue	380,517			_		_		_		_		_			380,517
Sales and marketing	111,233	_		_		_		_		_		_			111,233
Other operating costs	60,659	(2,704)		_		_		_		_		_			57,955
General and administrative	45,422	(4,804)		(10,753)		_		_		_		_			29,865
Depreciation and amortization	65,289	_		_		(45,146)		_		_		_			20,143
Income from operations	97,914	7,508		10,753		45,146		_				_	'		161,321
Interest expense—net	(28,039)	_		_		_		_		_		_			(28,039)
Non-operating expenses	(6,594)	_		_		_		6,594		_		_			_
Income before applicable income taxes	63,281	7,508		10,753		45,146		6,594		_		_			133,282
Income tax expense	20,436	_		_		_		_		_		28,212	(5)		48,648
Tax adjustments	_	_		_		_		_		_		(12,418)	(6)		(12,418)
Less: JV non-controlling interest	_	_		_		_		_		(186)		_			(186)
Net income	\$ 42,845	\$ 7,508	\$	10,753	\$	45,146	\$	6,594	\$	(186)	\$	(15,794)		\$	96,866

Pro Forma Adjusted Financial Measures

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- (5) Represents adjustments to income tax expense to reflect an effective tax rate of 36.0% for 2015 and 36.5% for 2014, assuming the conversion of the Class B units of Vantiv Holding into shares of Class A common stock, including the tax effect of adjustments described above. The effective tax rate is expected to remain at 36.0% for the remainder of 2015.
- (6) Represents tax benefits due to the amortization of intangible assets and other tax attributes resulting from or acquired with our acquisitions, and to the tax basis step up associated with our separation from Fifth Third Bank and the purchase or exchange of Class B units of Vantiv Holding, net of payment obligations under tax receivable agreements.

			Nine	Months Ended Sep	otember 30, 2015			
			Non-GAAP Adj	ustments		Pro Forma	a Adjustments	
	GAAP	Transition, Acquisition and Integration(1)	Share-Based Compensation	Amortization of Intangible Assets(2)	Non-Operating Expenses(3)	Non- Controlling Interest(4)	Tax Adjustments	Pro Forma Adjusted Net Income
Revenue	\$ 2,307,604	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$2,307,604
Network fees and other costs	1,079,043	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,079,043
Net revenue	1,228,561							1,228,561
Sales and marketing	371,461	_	_	_	_	_	_	371,461
Other operating costs	211,853	(23,343)	_	_	_	_	_	188,510
General and administrative	136,395	(26,035)	(23,852)	_	_	_	_	86,508
Depreciation and amortization	206,099	_	_	(143,431)	_	_	_	62,668
Income from operations	302,753	49,378	23,852	143,431				519,414
Interest expense—net	(78,769)	_	_	_	_	_	_	(78,769)
Non-operating expenses	(23,799)	_	_	_	23,799	_	_	_
Income before applicable income taxes	200,185	49,378	23,852	143,431	23,799	_		440,645
Income tax expense	61,348	_	_	_	_	_	97,284	(5) 158,632
Tax adjustments	_	_	_	_	_	_		(6) (40,178)
Less: JV non-controlling interest	_	_	_	_	_	(1,470)	_	(1,470)
Net income	\$ 138,837	\$ 49,378	\$ 23,852	\$ 143,431	\$ 23,799	\$ (1,470)	\$ (57,106)	\$ 320,721
		Transition,	Non-GAAP Adj	Amortization		Non-	a Adjustments	Pro Forma
	GAAP	Acquisition and Integration(1)	Share-Based Compensation	of Intangible	Non-Operating Expenses(3)	Controlling Interest(4)	Tax Adjustments	Adjusted Net
Revenue				Assets(2)				Income
	\$ 1,843,418	\$ —	\$ —	Assets(2) \$ —	\$	\$ —	\$ —	
Network fees and other								**Income *** 1,843,418
costs	843,030							**************************************
costs Net revenue	843,030 1,000,388							### Income
Costs Net revenue Sales and marketing	843,030 1,000,388 280,184	\$						**Income *** 1,843,418 *** 843,030
costs Net revenue	843,030 1,000,388 280,184 177,782							### 1,843,418 ### 843,030 1,000,388 280,184
Net revenue Sales and marketing Other operating costs	843,030 1,000,388 280,184 177,782	\$	\$ — — — — —					### 1,843,418 ### 843,030 1,000,388 280,184 165,359
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costs Net revenue Sales and marketing Other operating costs General and administrative Depreciation and amortization	843,030 1,000,388 280,184 177,782 126,580 204,176	\$	\$ — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	\$ — ———————————————————————————————————				### 1,843,418 ### 843,030 1,000,388 280,184 165,359 78,032 56,681
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Net revenue Sales and marketing Other operating costs General and administrative Depreciation and amortization Income from operations Interest expense—net Non-operating expenses Income before applicable income taxes Income tax expense	843,030 1,000,388 280,184 177,782 126,580 204,176 211,666 (52,089) (34,250)	\$	\$ — ———————————————————————————————————	\$ — ———————————————————————————————————	\$ — — — — — — — — — — — — — 34,250		\$ — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 96,258	Nation
costs Net revenue Sales and marketing Other operating costs General and administrative Depreciation and amortization Income from operations Interest expense—net Non-operating expenses Income before applicable income taxes Income tax expense Tax adjustments Less: JV non-controlling	843,030 1,000,388 280,184 177,782 126,580 204,176 211,666 (52,089) (34,250) 125,327 38,078	\$	\$ — ———————————————————————————————————	\$ — ———————————————————————————————————	\$ — — — — — — — — — — — — — 34,250	\$ — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	\$ — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 96,258	Income \$1,843,418 843,030 1,000,388 280,184 165,359 78,032 56,681 420,132 (52,089) — 368,043 (5) 134,336 (6) (34,005)

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- (3) Non-operating expenses during 2015 primarily relate to the change in fair value of a TRA entered into in June 2014. The amount for 2014 primarily relates to the refinancing of our senior secured credit facilities in June 2014 and the change in fair value of a TRA entered into in June 2014.
- (4) Represents the non-controlling interest, net of pro forma income tax expense discussed in (5) below, associated with a consolidated joint venture formed in May 2014. (5) Represents adjustments to income tax expense to reflect an effective tax rate of 36.0% for 2015 and 36.5% for 2014, assuming the conversion of the Class B units of Vantiv Holding into shares of Class A common stock, including the tax effect of adjustments described above. The effective tax rate is expected to remain at 36.0% for the remainder of 2015.
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Schedule 8 Vantiv, Inc. Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA

(Unaudited) (in thousands)

		Three Mo	nths I	Ended			Nine Mo	nths E	nded	
	Sej	ptember 30,	Se	ptember 30,		September 30,		Se	ptember 30,	
		2015		2014	% Change		2015		2014	% Change
Net income	\$	59,148	\$	42,845	38 %	\$	138,837	\$	87,249	59 %
Income tax expense		24,776		20,436	21 %		61,348		38,078	61 %
Non-operating expenses(1)		8,308		6,594	26 %		23,799		34,250	(31)%
Interest expense—net		27,044		28,039	(4)%		78,769		52,089	51 %
Share-based compensation		7,132		10,753	(34)%		23,852		30,797	(23)%
Transition, acquisition and integration costs(2)		11,359		7,508	51 %		49,378		30,174	64 %
Depreciation and amortization		70,638		65,289	8 %		206,099		204,176	1 %
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	208,405	\$	181,464	15 %	\$	582,082	\$	476,813	22 %

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

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⁽¹⁾ Non-operating expenses during 2015 primarily relate to the change in fair value of a TRA entered into in June 2014. The amounts for 2014 primarily relate to the refinancing of our senior secured credit facilities in June 2014 and the change in fair value of a TRA entered into in June 2014.

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