UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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×	QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 1934	3 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF
	For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2005	
		OR
	TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 1934	3 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF
	For the transition period from to	
	Commission	File No. 001-16427
		egy Inc. ant as specified in its charter)
	Georgia (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	58-2606325 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
	100 Second Avenue South Suite 1100S St. Petersburg, FL (Address of principal executive offices)	33701 (Zip Code)
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	Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports reng the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant valuements for the past 90 days. Yes ⊠ No □	quired to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing
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	Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as de	fined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes □ No ⊠
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Title of each class

Common stock, \$0.01 par value

Number of shares outstanding at October 31, 2005

62,126,207

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

CERTEGY INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three mon Septem	
	2005	2004
Revenues	\$282,774	\$262,660
Operating expenses:		
Costs of services	201,997	186,516
Selling, general and administrative	30,749	31,505
Merger and acquisition costs (Note 2)	7,010	
	239,756	218,021
Operating income	43,018	44,639
Other income, net	671	294
Interest expense	(3,122)	(3,259)
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Income from continuing operations before income taxes	40,567	41,674
Provision for income taxes	(17,900)	(15,733)
Income from continuing operations	22,667	25,941
Income from discontinued operations, net of taxes of \$0.4 million and \$0.8 million, respectively (Note 4)	602	1,325
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Net income	\$ 23,269	\$ 27,266
Basic earnings per share of Common Stock		
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.41
Income from discontinued operations	0.01	0.02
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Net income	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.44
Diluted earnings per share of Common Stock		
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.41
Income from discontinued operations	0.01	0.02
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Net income	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.43
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Average shares outstanding (Note 5)		
Basic	62,017	62,588
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Diluted	63,313	63,849
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Dividends per share of Common Stock (Note 12)	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.05

CERTEGY INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Nine months ended September 30,		
	2005	2004	
Revenues	\$821,255	\$757,664	
Operating expenses:			
Costs of services	588,755	548,293	
Selling, general and administrative	100,751	97,319	
Merger and acquisition costs (Note 2)	8,302		
	697,808	645,612	
Operating income	123,447	112,052	
Other income, net	1,412	599	
Interest expense	(9,677)	(9,388)	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	115,182	103,263	
Provision for income taxes	(45,969)	(39,188)	
Income from continuing operations	69,213	64,075	
Income from discontinued operations, net of taxes of \$16.4 million and \$2.4 million, respectively (Note 4)	24,796	4,133	
Net income	\$ 94,009	\$ 68,208	
Basic earnings per share of Common Stock			
Income from continuing operations	\$ 1.12	\$ 1.02	
Income from discontinued operations	0.40	0.07	
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Net income	\$ 1.52	\$ 1.08	
Diluted earnings per share of Common Stock			
Income from continuing operations	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.00	
Income from discontinued operations	0.39	0.06	
Net income	\$ 1.49	\$ 1.06	
Average shares outstanding (Note 5)			
Basic	61,904	63,114	
Diluted	63,189	64,283	
Dividends per share of Common Stock (Note 12)	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.15	

CERTEGY INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except par values)

	Se	ptember 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
		Unaudited)	
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	105,261	\$ 41,801
Settlement deposits		38,061	44,855
Trade accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,412 and \$2,175, respectively		105,576	120,767
Settlement receivables		30,236	49,861
Claims recoverable (Note 2)		28,501	39,316
Other receivables		59,319	48,053
Other current assets (Note 6)		21,218	22,236
Assets held for sale (Note 4)	_		41,828
Total current assets		388,172	408,717
Property and equipment, net (Note 7)		66,197	61,490
Goodwill, net (Note 8)		250,392	232,941
Other intangible assets, net (Note 8)		21,437	25,506
Systems development and capitalized contract costs, net		135,304	123,135
Other assets, net (Note 9)		72,592	70,420
Total Assets	\$	934,094	\$ 922,209
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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	\$	65,092	\$ 56,764
Settlement payables		68,297	94,716
Claims payable (Note 2)		18,319	36,204
Compensation and benefit liabilities		24,456	19,384
Income taxes payable		16,637	14,398
Other payables Other payables Other payables		14,294 24,635	22,882 28,271
Other current liabilities (Note 10) Liabilities related to assets held for sale (Note 4)		24,635	28,271 17,719
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Total current liabilities		231,730	290,338
Long-term debt (Note 11)		225,864	273,968
Deferred income taxes		34,901	33,071
Other long-term liabilities		19,652	17,545
Total liabilities	_	512,147	614,922
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Commitments and contingencies (Note 14) Shareholders' equity:			
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; 100,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding			_
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 300,000 shares authorized; 69,272 shares issued and 62,112 and 61,784 shares			
outstanding in 2005 and 2004, respectively		693	693
Paid-in capital		297,902	290,865
Retained earnings		380,137	295,532
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (Note 12)		(44,638)	(59,194
Treasury stock, at cost; 7,160 and 7,488 shares in 2005 and 2004, respectively		(212,147)	(220,609
Total shareholders' equity	_	421,947	307,287
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	<u> </u>	934,094	\$ 922,209
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CERTEGY INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED) (In thousands)

	Nine mon Septem	
	2005	2004
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 94,009	\$ 68,208
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities of continuing operations:		
Income from discontinued operations (Note 4)	(4,343)	(4,133)
Gain on sale of discontinued operations (Note 4)	(45,433)	—
Charge for write-down of portfolio of discontinued operations (Note 4)	11,167	
Depreciation and amortization	38,352	34,643
Amortization of deferred compensation	9,200	12,569
Other non-cash items	9,348	7,812
Deferred income taxes	(3,451)	(1,390)
Changes in assets and liabilities, excluding effects of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable, net	2,700	6,946
Current liabilities, excluding settlement and claims payable	4,798	(2,441)
Claims accounts, net	(7,070)	646
Other current assets	(4,123)	3,783
Other long-term liabilities	1,400	2,734
Other long-term assets	(12,257)	(12,527)
Net cash provided by operating activities	94,297	116,850
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(42,883)	(28,482)
Proceeds from sale of business (Note 4)	60,000	—
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired (Note 3)	(1,000)	(41,021)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	16,117	(69,503)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net (repayments of) additions to revolving credit facilities	(48,600)	61,540
Treasury stock purchases	(40,000)	(87,797)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	6,221	8,466
Dividends paid	(9,370)	(9,598)
Other	(1,007)	(293)
Net cash used in financing activities	(52,756)	(27,682)
ivet cash used in financing activities	(32,730)	(27,002)
Effect of foreign currency exchange rates on cash	38	(3,134)
Cash provided by discontinued operations (Note 4)	5,764	4,647
Net cash provided	63,460	21,178
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	41,801	22,280
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$105,261	\$ 43,458

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

Note 1—Basis of Presentation

The Company provides credit card, debit card, and other transaction processing and check risk management services to financial institutions and merchants in the U.S. and internationally through two segments, Card Services and Check Services (see Note 15 for segment information). Card Services provides card issuer services in the U.S., the U.K., Brazil, Chile, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, Thailand, the Caribbean, and Canada. Additionally, Card Services provides merchant processing and e-banking services in the U.S. and card issuer software, support, and consulting services in numerous countries. Check Services provides check risk management services and related processing services in the U.S., the U.K., Canada, France, Ireland, Australia, and New Zealand.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its majority-owned subsidiaries and should be read in conjunction with the Company's consolidated financial statements and the notes to those statements for the year ended December 31, 2004 included in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K. Additionally, readers should refer to the Company's current report on Form 8-K filed on October 12, 2005, restating the Company's historical financial statements at December 31, 2004 and 2003 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004 to reflect the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123 (revised 2004), "Share-Based Payment" ("SFAS 123(R)") using the modified retrospective method. Significant accounting policies disclosed in the annual report and Form 8-K have not changed, unless specifically indicated in Note 2 herein. All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

The Company has prepared these consolidated financial statements pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. This information reflects all adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the consolidated financial position, results of operations, and cash flows for the interim periods presented. All adjustments made have been of a normal recurring nature. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. ("GAAP") have been condensed or omitted, although the Company believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation. Results of operations reported for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the entire year.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements as well as reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Note 2—Significant Accounting Policies

Reserve for Card Processing and Check Guarantee Losses. The Company recognizes a reserve for estimated losses related to its card issuing and merchant processing businesses based on historical experience and other relevant factors. In the Company's card issuing business, the Company records estimates to accrue for losses resulting from transaction processing errors. The Company utilizes a number of systems and procedures within its card issuing business in order to minimize such transaction processing errors. In the Company's recently sold merchant acquiring business, the Company was a direct party to contracts with merchants regarding its provision of card processing services for the merchant. If, due to the insolvency or bankruptcy of the merchant or other reasons, the Company was not able to collect amounts from its merchant customers for billing disputes resolved in favor of the cardholder (referred to as a cardholder "chargeback"), the Company had to bear the credit risk for the full amount of the cardholder transaction. The Company required cash deposits and other types of collateral from certain merchants to minimize any such risk. In addition, the Company utilized a number of systems and procedures to manage merchant risk and believed that the diversification of its merchant portfolio among industries and geographic regions minimized its risk of loss. These card processing loss reserve amounts are subject to risk that actual losses may be greater than the Company's estimates. As mentioned below, the Company remains at risk for cardholder transactions in the merchant acquiring business conducted prior to the business's sale. At September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, the Company had aggregate card processing loss reserves of \$0.6 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, which are included in other current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets.

As further discussed in Note 4, the Company completed the sale of its merchant acquiring business in the third quarter of 2005; therefore, the Company's financial statements reflect the merchant acquiring business as discontinued operations. Based upon the terms of the sales of the various merchant portfolios, the Company retains the credit risk for cardholder transactions processed by the Company prior to the sales.

In the Company's check guarantee business, if a guaranteed check presented to a merchant customer is dishonored by the check writer's bank, the Company reimburses its merchant customer for the check's face value and pursues collection of the amount from the delinquent check writer. The Company's merchant customers have approximately 60 days from the check date to present claims for dishonored checks to the Company. The Company has a maximum potential liability equal to the value of all checks presented to its merchant customers; however, through historical experience and analysis, the Company is able to reasonably estimate its liability for check returns. The Company recognizes a liability to its merchant customers for estimated check returns (claims payable) and a receivable for amounts the Company estimates it will recover from the check writers (claims recoverable), based on historical experience and other relevant factors. The estimated check returns and recovery amounts are subject to risk that actual amounts returned and recovered may be different than the Company's estimates. The Company had accrued claims payable and accrued claims recoverable balances of \$18.3 million and \$28.5 million at September 30, 2005 and \$36.2 million at December 31, 2004, respectively.

The Company settles its claim obligations with merchants on average within 14 days. Recoverability of claims from the check writers extends beyond this timeframe, but generally occurs within a one-year timeframe.

Share-Based Compensation. On December 16, 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued SFAS 123(R), which is a revision of SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" ("SFAS 123"). SFAS 123(R) supersedes Accounting Principles Board ("APB") Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees" ("APB 25"), and amends SFAS No. 95, "Statement of Cash Flows." Generally, the approach in SFAS 123(R) is similar to the approach described in SFAS 123. However, SFAS 123(R) requires all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, to be recognized in the income statement based on their fair values. Pro forma disclosure is no longer an alternative.

SFAS 123(R) permits public companies to adopt its requirements using one of two methods:

- A "modified prospective" method in which compensation cost is recognized beginning with the effective date (a) based on the requirements of SFAS 123(R) for all share-based payments granted after the effective date and (b) based on the requirements of SFAS 123 for all awards granted to employees prior to the effective date of SFAS 123(R) that remain unvested on the effective date.
- A "modified retrospective" method which includes the requirements of the modified prospective method described above, but also permits entities to restate based on the amounts previously recognized under SFAS 123 for purposes of pro forma disclosures either (a) all periods presented or (b) prior interim periods of the year of adoption.

The Company adopted SFAS 123(R) on January 1, 2005, using the Black-Scholes-Merton option valuation model and the modified retrospective method, restating all prior periods. Prior to January 1, 2005, the Company accounted for stock option awards using APB 25's intrinsic value method as permitted by SFAS 123. As such, no compensation cost was recognized in the income statement, as the exercise price equaled the market value of the underlying common stock on the date of grant. Additionally, prior to January 1, 2005, the Company presented all tax benefits of deductions resulting from the exercise of stock options as operating cash flows. SFAS 123(R) requires that such tax benefits be classified as financing cash flows.

Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123(R), restricted stock awards were recorded as deferred compensation, a reduction of shareholders' equity, based on the quoted fair market value of the Company's stock on the date of grant. The common or treasury stock balances were adjusted on the date of grant to reflect the issuance of the restricted stock awards. Under the provisions of SFAS 123(R), restricted stock awards are not deemed to be issued until the end of the vesting period. Accordingly, SFAS 123(R) requires that compensation cost be recognized over the requisite service period with an offsetting credit to paid-in capital. Refer to Note 12 for additional information regarding the Company's share-based compensation awards.

Proposed Merger with Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. and Possible Joint Venture Formation in Brazil. On September 14, 2005, Certegy entered into a definitive merger agreement with Fidelity National Financial, Inc. ("FNF") under which Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. ("FIS"), a privately held company 75% owned by FNF, and Certegy will combine operations to form a single publicly traded company. FIS is a leading provider of core financial institution processing, mortgage loan processing, and related information products and outsourcing services to financial institutions, mortgage lenders, and real estate professionals.

Under the terms of the merger agreement, FIS will be merged into a wholly owned subsidiary of Certegy in a tax-free merger, and all the outstanding stock of FIS will be converted into Certegy common stock. Thus after the merger a subsidiary of Certegy will have acquired FIS and the former stockholders of FIS (including FNF) will own approximately 67.1% of Certegy common stock (with FNF owning 50.3%). Certegy's pre-merger shareholders will own approximately 32.9% of the common stock of Certegy after the merger. As part of the transaction, Certegy will declare a \$3.75 per share special cash dividend payable to Certegy's pre-merger shareholders. At the time of the merger, Certegy will change its name to Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. and its common stock will trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "FIS".

In addition to customary closing conditions, the merger is subject to Certegy shareholders approving the merger (including the issuance of shares of Certegy common stock to FIS stockholders) and amendments to Certegy's articles of incorporation increasing the number of its authorized shares of stock and changing its name to Fidelity National Information Services, Inc., effective upon closing.

A preliminary proxy statement relating to the merger was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 12, 2005.

During the third quarter of 2005, Certegy was selected to exclusively negotiate with two of the largest card issuing banks in Brazil to establish and acquire a majority-ownership interest in a new joint venture company that will provide a wide range of card and merchant processing services. Currently, it is anticipated that the card issuing banks will contribute long-term exclusive processing contracts to the joint venture, and Certegy will contribute consideration of cash and other capital, which may include part or all of its existing Brazilian operations. The Company cannot, at this time, predict the timing or ultimate outcome of this possible joint venture.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, the Company incurred \$7.0 million and \$8.3 million, respectively, of investment banking, legal, accounting and other direct costs ("M&A") related to these transactions. Merger costs of \$6.1 million and \$6.6 million are included in Corporate expense while \$0.9 million and \$1.7 million in joint venture costs are included in Card Services for the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2005, respectively.

M&A costs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 consist of the following (in thousands):

	Three M	Three Months Ended Nine M			e Months Ended	
		September 30, 2005				
	Merger	Merger Joint Venture Merger			Merger Joint Vent	
Investment banking fees	\$3,614	\$	60	\$3,864	\$	312
Legal fees	1,833		354	1,915		512
Accounting fees	396		196	560		393
Consulting and other costs	250		307	250		496
	\$6,093	\$	917	\$6,589	\$	1,713

Income Taxes. The effective tax rates of 44.1 percent and 39.9 percent in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2005, respectively, reflect the impact of not recognizing a tax benefit associated with the M&A costs of \$7.0 million and \$8.3 million incurred during the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2005, respectively. A tax benefit for these costs was not recorded because the ultimate tax treatment of these costs cannot be determined with adequate certainty at this time.

Income taxes paid in the nine months ended September 30, 2005 increased in large part due to an increase in estimated income tax payments of approximately \$16.5 million related to the gain on the sale of the Company's merchant acquiring business during 2005. Under SFAS No. 95, "Statement of Cash Flows," all income tax payments are included in determining net cash flow from operating activities but the cash received from the sale of the Company's merchant acquiring business, including that portion related to the gain on the sale, must be reported as an investing cash flow.

Note 3—Acquisitions

On March 1, 2004, the Company completed the purchases of Game Financial Corporation ("Game Financial"), a provider of debit and credit card cash advances, ATM access, and check cashing services in gaming institutions, and Crittson Financial Services LLC ("Crittson"), a full service provider of card and merchant processing services. The acquisition of Game Financial helps position the Company as a leading provider of comprehensive cash access services in the gaming industry and broadens its check risk management product line and customer base, while the acquisition of Crittson further strengthens the Company's U.S. market share as the leading third party credit card processor for community banks and credit unions. On August 6, 2004, the Company completed the acquisition of Caribbean CariCard Services, Inc. ("CariCard"), a third-party transaction processor in the Caribbean. CariCard provides a wide range of products and services to financial institutions, retailers, and the petroleum industry in 16 countries throughout the Caribbean.

These acquisitions had a combined initial cash purchase price of \$46.2 million, net of \$24.6 million of cash acquired. During 2004, the Company paid net additional consideration of \$0.3 million to the former owners of the businesses acquired resulting from a final determination of net assets acquired. These payments were recorded as adjustments to goodwill. Additionally, the Company received \$1.0 million from the former owner of one of the businesses acquired as a reduction in purchase price due to the termination of a customer contract subsequent to the acquisition. This payment was recorded as an adjustment to the value assigned to acquired customer contracts. In the third quarter of 2005, the Company paid \$1.0 million related to Crittson as a result of the acquired business achieving specified levels of revenue growth during designated periods subsequent to the acquisition. This payment resulted in an increase in goodwill.

The purchase price allocation, including the purchase price adjustments of \$0.3 million and \$1.0 million, resulted in identifiable intangible assets of \$20.4 million, which are being amortized primarily over seven years. This intangible asset value was assigned to acquired customer contracts. Goodwill recognized in these acquisitions amounted to \$39.3 million, which is expected to be fully deductible for tax purposes. Goodwill was assigned to the Card Services and Check Services segments in the amounts of \$21.9 million and \$17.4 million, respectively.

During the first nine months of 2005, the Company recorded additional purchase price allocation adjustments. In the first quarter, these adjustments resulted in a net decrease in goodwill of \$0.5 million to record a reduction in acquisition liabilities and \$0.1 million to adjust other accruals relating to the Crittson acquisition. In the second quarter, adjustments resulted in a net increase in goodwill of \$1.9 million and a net decrease in customer contracts of \$0.7 million to adjust deferred tax liabilities on assets acquired related to the CariCard acquisition.

In connection with these acquisitions, the Company recorded acquisition liabilities totaling \$7.8 million for early termination costs associated with a data processing contract of one of the acquired businesses, severance and relocation costs for employees of the acquired businesses, and professional fees. These costs were reflected as assumed liabilities in the allocation of the purchase price to net assets acquired. As of September 30, 2005, \$7.3 million of these costs had been paid and charged against the liability. As discussed above, acquisition liabilities were reduced by \$0.5 million in the first nine months of 2005 as a result of the finalization of the assumed liability amounts. There are no outstanding liabilities related to these acquisitions as of September 30, 2005.

In connection with the acquisition of Game Financial, the Company may receive a purchase price reduction for a customer if that customer terminates its contract during a designated period subsequent to the acquisition. The maximum amount that could be received by the Company is \$4.8 million at September 30, 2005. Any such payment to the Company would result in an adjustment to identifiable intangible assets and goodwill.

The above acquisitions were accounted for as purchases and their results of operations have been included in the consolidated statements of income from the dates of acquisition. The pro forma effects of these acquisitions on the Company's consolidated financial statements were not material.

Approximately \$5.8 million of the Crittson purchase price, which represents merchant acquiring operations, was reclassified to discontinued operations, including \$4.0 million of goodwill and \$1.2 million of identifiable intangible assets. These assets were sold during the second quarter of 2005. Refer to Note 4 for additional information.

Note 4—Discontinued Operations

The Company's merchant processing operations consist of two businesses: (1) merchant acquiring, where the Company is a direct party to contracts with merchants regarding its provision of card processing services for the merchant, and the Company is subject to the associated risk that a cardholder billing dispute will be resolved in favor of the cardholder (referred to as a cardholder "chargeback"), and (2) institution processing, where the Company provides authorization, settlement, and customer service to community banks and others that contract directly with merchant customers. The Company views merchant acquiring as a non-strategic business and over the past few years, has operated this business conservatively to reduce exposure to merchant risk, which in the short-term improved overall profitability but limited growth. In September 2004, the Board of Directors approved a plan to sell the Company's merchant acquiring business, at which time, the held for sale criteria in SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," were met.

During the second quarter of 2005, the Company sold a majority of its merchant acquiring business for \$57.0 million, which resulted in a gain of \$45.4 million, or \$27.3 million after-tax (\$0.43 per diluted share). Also during the quarter, the Company recorded an \$11.2 million, or \$6.8 million after-tax (\$0.11 per diluted share) write-down of its remaining merchant acquiring portfolio to its estimated net realizable value. In September 2005, Certegy completed the sale of its remaining merchant acquiring portfolio for \$3.0 million of cash, which approximated net book value at the date of sale.

The Company's financial statements reflect the merchant acquiring business as a discontinued operation with the related assets and liabilities classified under the captions "Assets held for sale" and "Liabilities related to assets held for sale" in the consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2004. There were no assets available for sale or related liabilities at September 30, 2005. The results of operations are treated as income from discontinued operations, net of tax, and separately stated in the consolidated statements of income, below income from continuing operations. The merchant acquiring operations were historically included in the Card Services segment.

The Company plans to continue to operate the institution processing business, which it believes is complementary to its card issuing business.

Additionally, the Company will continue to provide transition services to the acquirer of the portion of the merchant acquiring business sold in the second quarter of 2005. Results from the provision of these services will be treated as discontinued operations. The transition period is not expected to extend beyond one year after the date of the sale.

Summarized financial information for discontinued operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 is as follows (in thousands):

	Three months ended September 30,			tember 30,	Nine months ended September 30,			
	2005 2004		2004	2005		2004		
Revenues	\$	8,402	\$	27,667	\$	56,459	\$	80,196
Operating expenses		7,440		25,564		49,516		73,636
Income before income taxes		962		2,103		6,943		6,560
Provision for income taxes		(360)		(778)	_	(2,600)		(2,427)
Income from operations		602		1,325		4,343		4,133
Gain on sale of business, net of tax		_		_		27,276		_
Write-down of portfolio, net of tax		_		_		(6,823)		_
					_		_	
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$	602	\$	1,325	\$	24,796	\$	4,133

The assets held for sale and liabilities related to assets held for sale as of December 31, 2004 are as follows (in thousands):

	Dec	2004
Assets:		
Settlement deposits	\$	1,716
Trade accounts receivable, net		6,424
Settlement receivables		8,774
Other current assets		372
Goodwill, net		4,005
Other intangible assets, net		20,537
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Assets held for sale	\$	41,828
	_	
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	\$	1,271
Settlement payables		10,490
Deferred income taxes		5,958
Liabilities related to assets held for sale	\$	17,719

Summarized cash flow information associated with discontinued operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2005, excluding the cash flows relating to the sale, and 2004 is as follows (in thousands):

Income from operations \$ 4,343 \$ 4,133 Deferred income taxes (165) 4,573 Changes in assets and liabilities: \$ 1,913 (279) Current liabilities, excluding settlement and claims payable (348) (138) Other current assets 21 (13) Other long-term assets — 2,327 Capital expenditures — (156) Acquisitions (Note 3) — (5,980)		Nine months ended September 30,			nber 30,		
Deferred income taxes (165) 4,573 Changes in assets and liabilities:			2005		2005		2004
Changes in assets and liabilities: 1,913 (279) Accounts receivable, net 1,913 (279) Current liabilities, excluding settlement and claims payable (348) (138) Other current assets 21 (13) Other long-term assets — 2,327 Capital expenditures — (156) Acquisitions (Note 3) — (5,800)	Income from operations	\$	4,343	\$	4,133		
Accounts receivable, net 1,913 (279) Current liabilities, excluding settlement and claims payable (348) (138) Other current assets 21 (13) Other long-term assets - 2,327 Capital expenditures - (156) Acquisitions (Note 3) - (5,800)	Deferred income taxes		(165)		4,573		
Current liabilities, excluding settlement and claims payable (348) (138) Other current assets 21 (13) Other long-term assets - 2,327 5,764 10,603 Capital expenditures - (156) Acquisitions (Note 3) - (5,800)	Changes in assets and liabilities:						
Other current assets 21 (13) Other long-term assets — 2,327 5,764 10,603 Capital expenditures — (156) Acquisitions (Note 3) — (5,800)	Accounts receivable, net		1,913		(279)		
Other long-term assets — 2,327 5,764 10,603 Capital expenditures — (156) Acquisitions (Note 3) — (5,800)	Current liabilities, excluding settlement and claims payable		(348)		(138)		
5,764 10,603	Other current assets		21		(13)		
Capital expenditures — (156) Acquisitions (Note 3) — (5,800)	Other long-term assets				2,327		
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Acquisitions (Note 3) (5,800)			5,764		10,603		
Acquisitions (Note 3) (5,800)		_					
<u> </u>	Capital expenditures		_		(156)		
	Acquisitions (Note 3)		_		(5,800)		
			_		(5,956)		
							
Net cash provided by discontinued operations \$ 5,764 \$ 4,647	Net cash provided by discontinued operations	\$	5,764	\$	4,647		

The sale of the Company's merchant acquiring business in 2005 resulted in proceeds of \$60.0 million, which are presented in investing activities in the statement of cash flows. Income taxes paid in the first nine months of 2005 on the gain on the sale were approximately \$16.5 million, which are included in operating activities in the statement of cash flows. Cash flows from our discontinued operations, excluding the cash flows related to the sale, are shown separately in the statement of cash flows as cash provided by discontinued operations.

Note 5—Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share ("EPS") is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that would occur if stock options or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised and resulted in additional common shares outstanding during the period. A reconciliation of the average outstanding shares used in the basic and diluted EPS calculations is as follows (in thousands):

		Three months ended September 30,				
	2005	2004	2005	2004		
Weighted average shares outstanding—basic Effect of dilutive securities:	62,017	62,588	61,904	63,114		
Stock options	885	946	874	854		
Restricted stock	411	315	411	315		
Weighted average shares outstanding—diluted	63,313	63,849	63,189	64,283		

Note 6—Other Current Assets

The Company's other current assets at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 consist of the following (in thousands):

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
Prepaid expenses	\$ 13,218	\$ 13,395
Current deferred income taxes	2,433	3,768
Inventories and supplies	2,326	2,417
Other	3,241	2,656
	\$ 21,218	\$ 22,236

Note 7—Property and Equipment

The cost of property and equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis over estimated useful lives as follows: building—40 years; leasehold improvements—not to exceed lease terms; data processing equipment—3 to 5 years; and furniture and fixtures—3 to 8 years. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred.

Property and equipment at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 consists of the following (in thousands):

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004		
Land	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500		
Building and improvements	40,763	38,852		
Data processing equipment	83,217	72,014		
Furniture and other equipment	65,289	60,283		
	\$ 190,769	\$ 172,649		
Less accumulated depreciation	(124,572)	(111,159)		
	\$ 66,197	\$ 61,490		

Equipment under capital lease, which is included in data processing equipment above, totaled \$7.7 million at September 30, 2005 and \$6.2 million at December 31, 2004. Accumulated depreciation related to these assets totaled approximately \$2.5 million at September 30, 2005 and \$1.3 million at December 31, 2004.

Note 8—Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Information related to the Company's goodwill by segment is as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
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Card Services	\$ 203,603	\$ 184,899
Check Services	46,789	48,042
	\$ 250,392	\$ 232,941

The change in the carrying amount of goodwill from December 31, 2004 to September 30, 2005 was the result of adjustments to the purchase price allocation of the Crittson and CariCard acquisitions (Note 3) and currency translation adjustments.

Information related to the Company's other intangible assets subject to amortization is as follows (in thousands):

	Septem	ber 30, 2005	December 31, 200			
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization		
Acquired customer contracts	\$26,666	\$ (8,604)	\$27,328	\$ (5,431)		
Other	4,853	(1,478)	4,853	(1,244)		
	31,519	(10,082)	32,181	(6,675)		
Net book value	\$21,437		\$25,506			

The Company's other intangible assets primarily consist of acquired customer contracts, data files, and customer lists, which are generally amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, ranging from 5 to 15 years. Amortization expense associated with the Company's acquired intangible assets totaled \$1.1 million and \$1.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively, and \$3.3 million and \$2.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively. Estimated amortization expense for the Company's acquired intangible assets for each of the five succeeding fiscal years is as follows: 2006—\$4.5 million; 2007—\$4.5 million; 2008—\$2.9 million; and 2010—\$2.9 million.

The change in the carrying amount of other intangible assets from December 31, 2004 to September 30, 2005 was the result of certain adjustments to the purchase price allocation of the CariCard acquisition (Note 3) and currency translation adjustments.

The Company has no intangible assets with indefinite useful lives.

Note 9—Other Assets

Other assets, net at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 consist of the following (in thousands):

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
Cash surrender value of life insurance policies	\$ 15,490	\$ 13,998
Prepaid pension cost	13,100	16,656
SERP intangible asset	4,742	4,742
Deferred income taxes	3,545	4,873
Deferred financing costs, net	1,836	2,596
Other	33,879	27,555
	\$ 72,592	\$ 70,420

Note 10—Other Current Liabilities

The Company's other current liabilities at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 consist of the following (in thousands):

		September 30, 2005		ember 31, 2004
Deferred revenue	\$	8,941	\$	8,414
Accrued interest		423		2,810
Other		15,271		17,047
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	\$	24,635	\$	28,271

Note 11—Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 consists of the following (in thousands):

September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
\$ 199,636	\$ 199,543
_	48,600
22,364	22,364
3,864	3,461
\$ 225,864	\$ 273,968
	\$ 199,636

Note 12—Shareholders' Equity

As discussed in Note 2, the Company adopted SFAS 123(R) on January 1, 2005, using the Black-Scholes-Merton option valuation model and the modified retrospective method, restating all prior periods. The Company currently awards stock options, restricted stock, and restricted stock units to its employees and members of the Board of Directors, the terms of which are described in further detail below.

Stock Options. In June 2001, the Company's Board of Directors adopted the Certegy Inc. Stock Incentive Plan (the "Employee Stock Plan"), pursuant to which 6.6 million shares of authorized but unissued common stock were reserved. Under the provisions of the Employee Stock Plan, the number of shares available for grant is increased each January through 2008 based on the number of common shares issued and outstanding. The Employee Stock Plan provides that qualified and nonqualified stock options may be granted to officers and other key employees at exercise prices not less than market value on the date of grant. Options generally vest over a three or four-year period subject to the employee's continued service and are exercisable for seven to ten years from the date of grant. Options generally provide for accelerated vesting in the event of a change in control. Options generally continue to vest in accordance with the original vesting schedule upon retirement, or upon permanent disability if the optionee is then eligible to retire,

subject to the individual being available to perform reasonable services for the Company as a consultant through the vesting date of the grant, and subject to the conditions that the individual does not commence employment with a competitor of the Company, does not engage in solicitation of the Company's employees, customers or suppliers, and does not disclose the Company's confidential information or trade secrets.

Additionally, the Company adopted the Certegy Inc. Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan, pursuant to which 200,000 shares of stock were reserved for grant to non-employee directors in the form of stock options.

The following is a summary of the stock option activity during the nine months ended September 30, 2005 (options in thousands):

	Options	Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term (years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Balance, December 31, 2004	4,608	\$ 28.34		
Granted (at market price)	742	35.44		
Exercised	(236)	37.93		
Cancelled	(88)	31.65		
Balance, September 30, 2005	5,026	\$ 29.43	5.60	\$53,225
Exercisable, September 30, 2005	3,533	\$ 27.86	5.31	\$42,961

The fair value of options granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model based on the assumptions summarized in the following table. Expected volatility and expected term are primarily based on the Company's historical data. In computing historical volatility, the Company disregards any identifiable period of time in which its share price is extraordinarily volatile because of events that are not expected to recur during the expected term. In 2005, the Company began evaluating the expected term based on separate employee groups with similar historical exercise behavior. The range provided in the table below results from certain groups of employees exhibiting different exercise behavior. The risk-free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with a remaining term approximating the expected term. The dividend yield is calculated based on the anticipated dividends over the expected term.

	200	05	20	004
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter
Expected volatility	25%	25%	40%	40%
Expected term (in years)	4.96 - 6.97	4.62 -6.66	4.86	4.70
Risk-free interest rate	4.21 - 4.37%	3.70 -3.86%	3.52%	3.75%
Dividend yield	0.50%	0.50%	0.60%	0.60%

No stock options were granted during the third quarters of 2005 and 2004. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of options granted during the three months ended June 30, 2005 and 2004 was \$10.75 and \$13.84, respectively. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2005 and 2004 was \$12.16 and \$12.85, respectively. The Company recognizes compensation cost for awards with graded vesting using the straight-line attribution method, with the amount of compensation cost recognized at any date at least equal to the portion of the grant-date value of the award that is vested at that date. At September 30, 2005, the unamortized compensation cost related to stock option awards totaled \$13.3 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.26 years.

The compensation cost and related tax benefit associated with stock options is summarized below (in thousands):

		ree Months Ended September 30, September 30,				
	2005	2005 2004		2004 2005		2004
Stock option expense	\$ 1,371	\$ 2,414	\$ 4,415	\$ 8,740		
Income tax benefit	(371)	(580)	(1,216)	(2,253)		
	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,834	\$ 3,199	\$ 6,487		

Restricted Stock. In June 2001, the Company's Board of Directors adopted the Certegy Inc. Key Management Long-Term Incentive Plan for officers and other key employees. This plan, in conjunction with the Employee Stock Plan, provides for the issuance of restricted stock awards. Restricted stock generally vests over a specified period subject to the employee's continued service. Certain restricted stock awards contain performance-accelerated provisions; accordingly, compensation expense associated with these awards can fluctuate each year based on the likelihood that the performance criteria will be met. Restricted stock generally provides for accelerated vesting in the event of a change in control or death. Restricted stock generally continues to vest in accordance with the original vesting schedule upon retirement, or upon permanent disability if the optionee is then eligible to retire, subject to the individual being available to perform reasonable services for the Company as a consultant through the vesting date of the grant, and subject to the conditions that the individual does not commence employment with a competitor of the Company, does not engage in solicitation of the Company's employees, customers or suppliers, and does not disclose the Company's confidential information or trade secrets. Employees receive dividends on restricted stock awards and are entitled to vote during the vesting period. The Company recognizes compensation cost for restricted stock on a straight-line basis over the vesting period based on the quoted fair market value of the Company's stock on the date of grant.

The following is a summary of the restricted stock activity during the nine months ended September 30, 2005 (shares in thousands):

	Shares	Weighted- Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Balance, December 31, 2004	599	\$ 31.31
Granted (at market price)	166	35.50
Vested	(90)	26.10
Cancelled	<u>(7)</u>	31.64
Balance, September 30, 2005	668	\$ 33.05
Weighted average remaining contractual term (years)		2.03

There were no restricted stock awards granted during the third quarter of 2005. The awards granted during the three months ended June 30, 2005 become fully vested in three to four years. The restricted stock awards granted during the three months ended March 31, 2005 become fully vested in one or three years if certain performance criteria are met; otherwise, the awards will vest at the end of two or five years. At September 30, 2005, the unamortized compensation cost related to restricted stock awards totaled \$11.0 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.03 years.

The compensation cost and related tax benefit associated with restricted stock awards is summarized below (in thousands):

	Th	ree Months En	Nine Months Ended September 30							
		2005		2005		2004		2005		2004
Compensation expense	\$	1,412	\$	1,187	\$	4,345	\$	3,701		
Income tax benefit		(549)		(462)		(1,689)		(1,439)		
	\$	863	\$	725	\$	2,656	\$	2,262		
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Restricted Stock Units. Restricted stock units are awarded to the Company's Board of Directors. The restricted stock units vest one year from the grant date at which time one share of common stock will be issued for each stock unit unless the Board member elects to defer delivery of the stock. Compensation expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period based on the quoted fair market value of the Company's stock on the date of grant.

In July 2004, 13,475 units were awarded with a weighted-average grant-date fair value of \$37.80 per unit. The units were fully amortized in the second quarter of 2005, at which time 1,935 shares were issued and the remaining vested units were deferred. In May 2005, 12,997 units were awarded with a weighted-average grant-date fair value of \$37.70 per unit. As of September 30, 2005, the unamortized compensation cost related to restricted stock units totaled \$306 thousand, which will be recognized over the remaining vesting period.

The compensation cost and related tax benefit associated with restricted stock units awards is summarized below (in thousands):

						Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2005 2004		2005 2004 2		2005	_	2004	
Compensation expense	\$	124	\$	127	\$	440	\$	127
Income tax benefit		(48)	_	(49)		(171)	_	(49)
	\$	76	\$	78	\$	269	\$	78

Treasury Stock. In May 2004, the Board of Directors of the Company approved a \$100 million share repurchase program, which replaced the prior program. As of September 30, 2005, the Company had \$43.3 million remaining under this program for future share repurchases. When available, the Company uses treasury shares for employee stock option exercises and restricted stock awards. During the first nine months of 2005, the Company made no share repurchases and reissued approximately 328 thousand treasury shares in connection with employee stock option exercises and the vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units.

Dividends. In February 2005, the Company's Board of Directors approved a quarterly common stock dividend of \$0.05 per share, or \$3.1 million, which was paid on April 15, 2005 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on April 1, 2005. In May 2005, the Company's Board of Directors approved a quarterly common stock dividend of \$0.05 per share, or \$3.1 million, which was paid on July 15, 2005 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on July 1, 2005. In August 2005, the Company's Board of Directors approved a quarterly common stock dividend of \$0.05 per share, or \$3.2 million, which was paid on October 15, 2005 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on October 1, 2005. In connection with the proposed merger discussed in Note 2, the Company will pay a \$3.75 per share special cash dividend, estimated at \$235 million in total, to its shareholders prior to closing of the merger.

Comprehensive Income. The components of comprehensive income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 are as follows (in thousands):

		onths ended mber 30,	Nine mont Septeml	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
Net income	\$23,269	\$27,266	\$ 94,009	\$68,208
Change in cumulative foreign currency translation adjustment	7,146	8,071	14,299	(1,225)
Change in cumulative loss from cash flow hedging activities	156	(139)	257	107
Comprehensive income	\$30,571	\$35,198	\$108,565	\$67,090

Accumulated other comprehensive loss at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 consists of the following components (in thousands):

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustment	\$ (44,346)	\$ (58,645)
Cumulative loss from cash flow hedging activities	(292)	(549)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$ (44,638)	\$ (59,194)

Effect of Adoption of SFAS 123(R) Adoption. The effect of the adoption of SFAS 123(R) on the consolidated statements of income is as follows (in thousands, except for per share data):

	Three Months Ended Nine Months Ended											
	September 30, 2005											
	S	thout FAS 23(R)	SFA 123 imp	(R)	S	With SFAS 23(R)	5	Vithout SFAS .23(R)	12	FAS 3(R) pact	5	With SFAS 23(R)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	\$ 4	1,938	\$(1,	371)	\$ 4	10,567	\$1	19,597	\$(4	1,415)	\$1	15,182
Provision for income taxes	(1	8,271)		371	(1	7,900)	(-	47,185)	1	,216	(-	45,969)
Income from continuing operations	2	3,667	(1,	000)	2	22,667		72,412	(3	3,199)	(69,213
Net income	2	4,269	(1,	000)	2	23,269	!	97,208	(3	3,199)		94,009
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.40	\$ (0	0.02)	\$	0.38	\$	1.57	\$ ((0.05)	\$	1.52
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.39	\$ (0	0.02)	\$	0.37	\$	1.55	\$ ((0.06)	\$	1.49
Net cash provided by operating activities							\$!	94,462	\$	(165)	\$ 9	94,297
Net cash used in financing activities							\$ (52,921)	\$	165	\$ (52,756)

	Three Months Ended Ni					ine Months Ended						
	September 30, 2004											
	5	ithout SFAS 23(R)	12	FAS 3(R) ipact	S	With SFAS 23(R)	9	Vithout SFAS 23(R)	12	FAS 23(R) 1pact	5	With SFAS 23(R)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	\$ 4	14,088	\$(2	2,414)	\$ 4	1,674	\$1:	12,003	\$(8	3,740)	\$1	03,263
Provision for income taxes	(1	16,313)		580	(1	5,733)	(4	41,441)	2	2,253	(39,188)
Income from continuing operations	2	27,775	(1	1,834)	2	25,941		70,562	(€	5,487)	- (64,075
Net income	2	29,100	(1	1,834)	2	27,266		74,695	(6	5,487)	- 1	68,208
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.46	\$ ((0.03)	\$	0.44	\$	1.18	\$	(0.10)	\$	1.08
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.46	\$ ((0.03)	\$	0.43	\$	1.16	\$ ((0.10)	\$	1.06
Net cash provided by operating activities							\$1	16,974	\$	(124)	\$1	16,850
Net cash used in financing activities							\$ (2	27,806)	\$	124	\$ (27,682)

Note 13—Employee Benefits

Net periodic benefit cost for the Company's retirement, supplemental retirement ("SERP"), and postretirement benefit plans includes the following components for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 (in thousands):

	Retiremo	ent Plans		Postretirement Benefit Plan		ent Plans	Postretirement Benefit Plan	
	Three	Three months ended September 30,			Nine n	nonths ended S	September	30,
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004
Service cost	\$ 1,136	\$ 1,008	\$ 61	\$ 51	\$ 3,411	\$ 2,814	\$189	\$ 162
Interest cost	920	859	\$ 38	30	\$ 2,766	2,439	115	92
Expected return on plan assets	(1,135)	(1,103)		_	\$(3,405)	(3,319)	_	
Recognized actuarial loss	416	281			1,241	499		_
Amortization of net (gain) or loss	_	_	(2)	(32)	_	_	(4)	(96)
Amortization of prior service cost (benefit)	128	128	(21)	(13)	384	384	(63)	(43)
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 1,465	\$ 1,173	\$ 76	\$ 36	\$ 4,397	\$ 2,817	\$237	\$ 115

On December 8, 2003, the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 ("the Act") was enacted. The Act introduced both a Medicare prescription drug benefit and a federal subsidy to sponsors of retiree healthcare plans. In January 2004, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. 106-1 ("FSP 106-1"), "Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003." This statement permitted a sponsor of a postretirement benefit plan that provides a prescription drug benefit to make a one-time election to defer recognizing the effects of the Act until authoritative guidance on accounting for the federal subsidy was issued or until certain other events occurred.

In May 2004, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. 106-2 ("FSP 106-2"), "Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003," which superseded FSP 106-1. FSP 106-2, which became effective in the third quarter of 2004, provides guidance on accounting for the effects of the Act and requires certain disclosures regarding the effect of the federal subsidy provided by the Act. To qualify for the subsidy, plan sponsors of Medicare-eligible retirees must provide prescription drug benefits which are at least as valuable as the benefits that those retirees would be entitled to under Medicare Part D. The Company maintains a postretirement benefit plan which provides a prescription drug benefit. For 2006 (the first year for which the subsidy is available), the Company has decided not to apply for, and will not receive, the subsidy. Although an official actuarial determination has not been made, the Company's post-retirement prescription drug benefits are not expected to qualify for the subsidy in future years. Thus, the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation and net periodic postretirement benefit cost amounts do not reflect any amount associated with the potential subsidy.

Note 14—Commitments and Contingencies

Synthetic Leases. The Company is the tenant of certain real property located in St. Petersburg, Florida. The aggregate value of the building and land at that site when the Company entered into this arrangement was \$23.2 million. Subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, the Company has the option to acquire this leased property at its original cost, or to direct the sale of this facility to a third party. The Company has provided a guarantee to the lessor that the proceeds from a sale of the facility to a third party will equal or exceed a certain percentage of the original fair market value of the leased property. The Company's maximum exposure under this guarantee is approximately \$18.1 million.

Effective December 31, 2003, the Company began consolidating this lease arrangement into its consolidated financial statements in accordance with certain provisions of FASB Interpretation No. 46 (revised December 2003), "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51" ("FIN 46").

The Company is also a party to a synthetic lease arrangement with respect to its facilities in Madison, Wisconsin, which expires in 2009. The aggregate value of the building and land at that site when the Company entered into this arrangement was \$10.1 million. Subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, the Company has the option to acquire this leased property at its original cost, or to direct the sale of this facility to a third party. The Company has provided a guarantee to the lessor that the proceeds from a sale of the facility to a third party will equal or exceed a certain percentage of the original fair market value of the leased property. The Company's maximum exposure under this guarantee is approximately \$8.1 million.

This lease arrangement does not qualify as a variable interest entity under the provisions of FIN 46; therefore, it is not included in the consolidated financial statements of the Company.

Based on current fair market values of the leased properties, the Company does not expect to be required to make payments under either of these residual value guarantees.

The Company has entered into an interest rate swap arrangement to fix the variable interest rate on the Madison, Wisconsin lease obligation.

Litigation. A number of lawsuits seeking damages are brought against the Company each year in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the ultimate resolution of these matters, individually or in the aggregate, will not have a materially adverse effect on the Company's financial position, liquidity, or results of operations.

On October 22, 2004, a complaint for patent infringement was filed in the matter of USA Payments, Inc. and Global Cash Access, Inc. v. U.S. Bancorp dba U.S. Bank, et al., Case No. CV-S-04-1470-JCM PAL, U.S. District Court, District of Nevada. The complaint named Certegy Inc. and three of its subsidiaries, Certegy Check Services, Inc., Game Financial Corporation, and GameCash, Inc. as defendants. The plaintiffs are seeking injunctive relief, an unspecified amount of damages (but no less than an unspecified reasonable royalty), a trebling of damages, together with pre-judgment interest, and attorneys' fees. Discovery has commenced and no trial date has been set. Management believes it has meritorious defenses and is defending the matter vigorously.

Possible Joint Venture Formation in Brazil. Our Brazilian card operations had net assets of approximately \$129.2 million at September 30, 2005, which includes a net equity reduction of \$65.2 million as a result of cumulative foreign currency translation. These operations are included in our international card reporting unit for purposes of goodwill impairment testing pursuant to SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" ("SFAS 142"). Pursuant to the requirements of SFAS 142 and SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," our Brazilian assets are subject to regular evaluations to assess their recoverability. In the opinion of management, these assets are appropriately valued at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004; however, if we are unable to achieve our business plan and improve profitability in our Brazilian operations by growing revenue or achieving the necessary cost efficient structure in the future, this could have an impact on our opinion regarding these valuations, which could lead to an impairment charge against net income.

As discussed in Note 2, during the third quarter of 2005, Certegy was selected to exclusively negotiate with two of the largest card issuing banks in Brazil to establish and acquire a majority-ownership interest in a new joint venture company that will provide a wide range of card and merchant processing services. Currently, it is anticipated that the card issuing banks will contribute long-term exclusive processing contracts to the joint venture, and Certegy will contribute consideration of cash and other capital, which may include part or all of its existing Brazilian operations. Although the Company believes that this joint venture could significantly improve the revenue growth and profitability of its international card operations, the contribution of part or all of its existing Brazilian operations would be a change to the Company's current business plan and could result in a non-cash charge against net income in accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 90-13, "Accounting for Simultaneous Common Control Mergers." The Company cannot, at this time, predict the timing or ultimate outcome of this possible joint venture or the amount of any charge against net income, which could be material.

Note 15—Segment Information

Segment information for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 is as follows (in thousands) (intersegment sales and transfers, which are not material, have been eliminated):

	Th	Three months ended September 30,				ne months end	ed September 30,	
		2005		2004		2005		2004
Revenues:								
Card Services	\$	166,536	\$	149,542	\$	484,592	\$	433,124
Check Services		116,238		113,118		336,663		324,540
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	\$	282,774	\$	262,660	\$	821,255	\$	757,664
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Operating income:								
Card Services	\$	36,688	\$	35,767	\$	102,987	\$	97,348
Check Services		18,378		14,987		48,826		34,670
		55,066		50,754		151,813		132,018
General corporate expense		(12,048)		(6,115)		(28,366)		(19,966)
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	\$	43,018	\$	44,639	\$	123,447	\$	112,052

Total assets by segment at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004 are as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2005	December 31, 2004
Card Services	\$ 556,190	\$ 533,304
Check Services	272,906	292,936
Corporate	104,998	54,141
Discontinued Operations (Note 4)	-	41,828
	\$ 934,094	\$ 922,209

The increase in Corporate assets from December 31, 2004 to September 30, 2005 is primarily attributable to the increase in cash for the proceeds from the sale of the Company's merchant acquiring business in the second and third quarters of 2005.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements for the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, including the notes to those statements, included elsewhere in this report. We also recommend that this management's discussion and analysis be read in conjunction with the management's discussion and analysis and consolidated financial statements included in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004. Additionally, readers should refer to our current report on Form 8-K filed on October 12, 2005, restating our historical financial statements at December 31, 2004 and 2003 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004 to reflect the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123 (revised 2004), "Share-Based Payment" ("SFAS 123(R)").

Throughout this management's discussion and analysis, we refer to certain financial amounts both on a before- and after-tax basis. Management believes it is helpful to include the after-tax effect of certain financial charges to allow investors and management to evaluate their impact on net income and diluted earnings per share.

Overview

We provide credit card, debit card, and other transaction processing and check risk management services to financial institutions and merchants in the U.S. and internationally through two segments, Card Services and Check Services. Card Services provides card issuer services in the U.S., the U.K., Brazil, Chile, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, Thailand, the Caribbean, and Canada. Additionally, Card Services provides merchant processing and e-banking services in the U.S. and card issuer software, support, and consulting services in numerous countries. Check Services provides check risk management services and related processing services in the U.S., the U.K., Canada, France, Ireland, Australia, and New Zealand.

Card Services. Card Services provides a full range of card issuer services that enable banks, credit unions, retailers, and others to issue VISA and MasterCard credit and debit cards, private label cards, and other electronic payment cards for use by both consumer and business accounts. Additionally, we process American Express cards in Australia, the Caribbean, and Brazil. Our debit card services support both off-line debit cards, which are processed similarly to credit cards, and on-line debit cards, through which cardholders obtain immediate access to funds in their bank accounts through ATMs or merchant point-of-sale terminals. In the U.S., our card processing business is concentrated in the independent community bank and credit union segments of the market, while internationally, we service both large and small financial institutions. We provide our card issuer services internationally through our operations in the U.S., Brazil, Chile, the U.K., Australia, and the Caribbean. Our merchant processing services enable retailers and other businesses to accept credit, debit, and other electronic payment cards from purchasers of their goods and services, while our e-banking services enable financial institutions to offer Internet banking and related products to consumers and businesses. Card issuing software, support, and consulting services allow customers to manage their credit card programs.

Card transactions continue to increase as a percentage of total point-of-sale payments, which fuels continuing demand for card-related products. We continue to launch new products aimed at serving this demand. In recent years, we have introduced a variety of stored-value type cards, Internet banking, and electronic bill presentment/payment products, as well as a number of card enhancement and loyalty/reward programs. The common theme among these offerings continues to be convenience and security for the consumer coupled with value to the financial institution.

Over the past seven years, we pursued growth in international markets through acquisitions in Brazil, Chile, and the Caribbean, and the start-up of our card processing operations in the U.K. and Australia. In 2000, we entered into a five-year agreement with a multi-national Australian-based financial institution to process cards issued in Australia, New Zealand, the U.K., and Ireland, with operations commencing in the second quarter of 2001. This financial institution is serviced from our card processing operation in Australia, as well as from our card processing operation in the U.K. In 2003, we entered into an eight-year agreement with a Thailand financial institution to process its VISA and MasterCard credit cards and unsecured personal loans. This financial institution is also serviced from our card processing operation in Australia. Card Services plans to pursue further card processing opportunities in the Asia Pacific Region, utilizing our Australian operation as the processing center.

We believe that the increased use of credit, debit, and other electronic payment cards around the globe will continue to present the card processing industry with significant growth opportunities. We intend to continue to expand our card processing business in the independent community bank and credit union segments of the market. Moreover, our future growth and profitability will significantly depend upon our ability to penetrate additional international markets, including emerging markets for electronic transaction processing. Our certification as an American Express processor also provides further growth opportunities for us in the global card market.

Check Services. Check Services provides check risk management and related processing products and services to businesses accepting or cashing checks at the point-of-sale. These services utilize our proprietary check authorization systems and risk assessment decision platforms. A significant portion of our revenues from check risk management services is generated from several large national merchants, including the nation's leading retail chains. Other customers of our Check Services segment include hotels, automotive dealers, telecommunications companies, supermarkets, casinos, mail order houses, and other small regional businesses. Our services allow our clients to run their customers' personal and business checks through an automated decision-making process that assesses the likelihood that a check will clear. We provide our check risk management products and services internationally in Canada, the U.K., Ireland, France, Australia, and New Zealand. Our principal product in all those countries is check guarantee services, although mass retailers are beginning to utilize our check verification, collection services, and deferred debit processing services.

In recent years, we have introduced several new products for existing and new markets, such as third-party check collections; electronic check risk management solutions for point-of-sale, call center, and electronic commerce applications; and PayCheck Accept™, which enables supermarkets and gaming establishments to reduce the risk of check losses and fraud in connection with their payroll check cashing services. Additionally, the acquisition of Game Financial Corporation ("Game Financial") on March 1, 2004, helps position us as a leading provider of comprehensive cash access services in the gaming industry and broadens our check risk management product line and customer base.

We believe check writing has been declining as a total percentage of point-of-sale payments due, in part, to the growing use of other payment means, such as credit, debit, and other electronic payment cards. At the same time, however, demand for our services is strong due to factors that include increasing sophistication of check fraud and higher concentration of bad checks written at the point-of-sale due to a trend of higher credit quality consumers writing fewer checks and paying more with cards. These factors are contributing to a growing reliance of retailers and other businesses on outside vendors, such as Certegy, to provide check risk management services.

Annually, we experience a decline in base volumes related to factors that include customer attrition, which in recent years has been largely isolated to our regional small customer base. Our base volumes are also impacted by the migration of consumers to other payment means and the retail sales activity of our customers, which can be affected by general economic conditions and other factors that may relate to certain retailers. We believe that many consumers who rely on checks as a means of retail payment may be more heavily impacted by certain economic factors than the consuming population as a whole. We are unable to accurately quantify the specific impact of each of these individual factors on the annual decline in base volumes. Typically, the addition of new customers offsets the decline in base volumes. However, during the first six months of 2005, while verification volumes showed a net increase, we experienced a net decline in guarantee volumes as the mix of new customers has been more focused in our verification products. Over time, we expect to experience a continuing trend of customers using verification products to migrate over to guarantee products. During the third quarter of 2005, we experienced a net increase in verification and guarantee volumes.

Key Performance Indicators. Management uses various key indicators to manage its business, including revenue and operating income growth, operating margin, earnings per share growth, number of cards and accounts on file, and volumes processed.

Comparability of Financial Results. Certain of the recent developments described in the next section affected the comparability of our financial results for the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

Recent Developments

Proposed Merger with Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. On September 14, 2005, Certegy entered into a definitive merger agreement with Fidelity National Financial, Inc. ("FNF") under which Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. ("FIS"), a privately held company 75% owned by FNF, and Certegy will combine operations to form a single publicly traded company. FIS is a leading provider of core financial institution processing, mortgage loan processing, and related information products and outsourcing services to financial institutions, mortgage lenders, and real estate professionals.

Under the terms of the merger agreement, FIS will be merged into a wholly owned subsidiary of Certegy in a tax-free merger, and all the outstanding stock of FIS will be converted into Certegy common stock. Thus after the merger a subsidiary of Certegy will have acquired FIS and the former stockholders of FIS (including FNF) will own approximately 67.1% of Certegy common stock (with FNF owning 50.3%). Certegy's pre-merger shareholders will own approximately 32.9% of the common stock of Certegy after the merger. As part of the transaction, Certegy will declare a \$3.75 per share special cash dividend payable to Certegy's pre-merger shareholders. At the time of the merger, Certegy will change its name to Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. and its common stock will trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "FIS".

In addition to customary closing conditions, the merger is subject to Certegy shareholders approving the merger (including the issuance of shares of Certegy common stock to FIS stockholders) and amendments to Certegy's articles of incorporation increasing the number of its authorized shares of stock and changing its name to Fidelity National Information Services, Inc., effective upon closing.

A preliminary proxy statement relating to the merger was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 12, 2005.

Possible Joint Venture Formation in Brazil. During the third quarter of 2005, Certegy was selected to exclusively negotiate with two of the largest card issuing banks in Brazil to establish and acquire a majority-ownership interest in a new joint venture company that will provide a wide range of card and merchant processing services. Currently, it is anticipated that the card issuing banks will contribute long-term exclusive processing contracts to the joint venture, and we will contribute consideration of cash and other capital, which may include part or all of our existing Brazilian operations. Although we believe that this joint venture could significantly improve the revenue growth and profitability of our international card operations, the contribution of part or all of our existing Brazilian operations would be a change to our current business plan and could result in a non-cash charge against net income in accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 90-13, "Accounting for Simultaneous Common Control Mergers." We cannot, at this time, predict the timing or ultimate outcome of this possible joint venture or the amount of any charge against net income, which could be material.

Adoption of SFAS 123(R). Prior to January 1, 2005, we accounted for our employee stock option plan under the recognition and measurement provisions of APB Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," and related Interpretations, as permitted by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation ("SFAS 123")." No stock-based employee compensation cost was recognized in the statement of income for periods prior to January 1, 2005, as all stock options granted had an exercise price equal to the market value of the underlying common stock on the date of grant. Effective January 1, 2005, we adopted the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS 123 (R) using the modified retrospective transition method. Under that transition method, compensation cost recognized includes: (a) compensation cost for all share-based payments granted prior to, but not yet vested as of January 1, 2005, based on the grant-date fair value estimated in accordance with the original provisions of SFAS 123, and (b) compensation cost for all share-based

payments granted subsequent to January 1, 2005, based on the grant-date fair value estimated in accordance with the provisions of SFAS 123(R). Results for all prior periods presented have been restated based on the amounts previously recognized under SFAS 123 for purposes of pro forma disclosures. Additionally, prior to January 1, 2005, we presented all tax benefits of deductions resulting from the exercise of stock options as operating cash flows. SFAS 123(R) requires that such tax benefits be classified as financing cash flows.

The fair value of options granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model based on certain assumptions, including the expected term of the option, the expected volatility of the price of the underlying share for the expected term of the option, the expected dividends on the underlying share for the expected term, and the risk-free interest rate for the expected term of the option. Expected volatility and expected term are primarily based on our historical data. In computing historical volatility, we disregard any identifiable period of time in which our share price is extraordinarily volatile because of events that are not expected to recur during the expected term. In 2005, we began evaluating the expected term based on separate employee groups with similar historical exercise behavior. The risk-free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with a remaining term approximating the expected term. The dividend yield is calculated based on the anticipated dividends over the expected term.

No stock options were granted during the third quarters of 2005 or 2004. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of options granted during the three months ended June 30, 2005 and 2004 was \$10.75 and \$13.84, respectively. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2005 and 2004 was \$12.16 and \$12.85, respectively. We recognize compensation cost for awards with graded vesting using the straight-line attribution method, with the amount of compensation cost recognized at any date at least equal to the portion of the grant-date value of the award that is vested at that date. At September 30, 2005, the unamortized compensation cost related to stock option awards totaled \$13.3 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.26 years.

The adoption of SFAS 123(R) reduced the third quarter of 2005 and 2004 diluted earnings per share by \$0.02 and \$0.03, respectively, and the first nine months of 2005 and 2004 diluted earnings per share by \$0.06 and \$0.10, respectively. We expect the full year 2005 impact to diluted earnings per share to be approximately \$0.08 compared to \$0.13 per share in 2004. Compensation cost recognized in any period is impacted by the number of stock options granted and the vesting period (which generally varies between three and four years), as well as the underlying assumptions used in estimating the fair value on the date of grant.

We also issue restricted stock awards to employees and restricted stock units to non-employee directors under certain of our compensation plans. The adoption of SFAS 123(R) did not have a material effect on our accounting treatment of restricted stock awards and restricted stock units. Refer to Note 12 in the consolidated financial statements for further information. The unamortized compensation cost related to restricted stock awards at September 30, 2005 is \$11.0 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.03 years.

Discontinued Operations. Our merchant processing operations consist of two businesses: (1) merchant acquiring, where we are a direct party to contracts with merchants regarding our provision of card processing services for the merchant, and we are subject to the associated risk that a cardholder billing dispute will be resolved in favor of the cardholder (referred to as a cardholder "chargeback"), and (2) institution processing, where we provide authorization, settlement, and customer service to community banks and others that contract directly with merchant customers. We view merchant acquiring as a non-strategic business and over the past few years, have operated this business conservatively to reduce exposure to merchant risk, which in the short-term improved overall profitability but limited growth. In September 2004, the Board of Directors of Certegy approved a plan to sell our merchant acquiring business, at which time, the held for sale criteria in SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets" ("SFAS 144"), were met. We plan to continue to operate the institution processing business, which we believe is complementary to our card issuing business.

During the second quarter of 2005, we completed the sale of a majority of our merchant acquiring business for \$57.0 million. We recognized an after-tax gain of \$27.3 million (\$0.43 per diluted share) on the sale. Also during the second quarter, we recorded a \$6.8 million after-tax write-down (\$0.11 per diluted share) of our remaining merchant acquiring portfolio to its estimated net realizable value. In the third quarter of 2005, we completed the sale of our remaining discontinued merchant acquiring portfolio for \$3.0 million of cash, which approximated net book value at the date of the sale. Income from discontinued operations was \$0.6 million in the third quarter of 2005 and \$1.3 million in the third quarter of 2004 and \$4.3 million in the first nine months of 2005, excluding the gain on sale and write-down, and \$4.1 million in the first nine months of 2004. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of this business was used in the third quarter of 2005 to pay certain taxes due on the gain on the sale, while the remaining cash will be held to fund additional taxes due on the gain on the sale, merger costs, and a portion of the special \$3.75 per share dividend to be declared and paid in connection with the merger.

Our financial statements reflect the merchant acquiring business as a discontinued operation with the related assets and liabilities classified under the captions "Assets held for sale" and "Liabilities related to assets held for sale" in the consolidated balance sheets in periods prior to the sale. The results of operations are treated as income from discontinued operations, net of tax, and separately stated in the consolidated statements of income, below income from continuing operations. The merchant acquiring operations were historically included in the Card Services segment. Refer to Note 4 in the consolidated financial statements for further information.

Acquisitions. On March 1, 2004, we completed the purchases of Game Financial, a provider of debit and credit card cash advances, ATM access, and check cashing services in gaming institutions, and Crittson Financial Services LLC ("Crittson"), a full service provider of card and merchant processing services. The acquisition of Game Financial helps position us as a leading provider of comprehensive cash access services in the gaming industry and broadens our check risk management product line and customer base, while the acquisition of Crittson further strengthens our U.S. market share as the leading third party credit card processor for community banks and credit unions. On August 6, 2004, we completed the acquisition of Caribbean CariCard Services, Inc. ("CariCard"), a third party transaction processor in the Caribbean. CariCard provides a wide range of products and services to financial institutions, retailers, and the petroleum industry in 16 countries throughout the Caribbean.

The above acquisitions were accounted for as purchases and their results of operations have been included in the consolidated statements of income from the dates of acquisition. The pro forma effects of these acquisitions on our consolidated financial statements were not material.

Share Repurchase Authority. In May 2004, the Board of Directors approved a \$100 million share repurchase program, which replaced the prior program. As of September 30, 2005, we had approximately \$43.3 million remaining authority for share repurchases.

Components of Income Statement

Card Services generates revenues from charges based on transaction volumes, accounts or cards processed, and fees for various services and products, while Check Services generates revenues from charges based on transaction volumes, face value of checks guaranteed, and fees for various check services and products. Revenues depend upon a number of factors, such as demand for and price of our services, the technological competitiveness of our product line, our reputation for providing timely and reliable service, competition within our industry, and general economic conditions. Costs of services consist primarily of the costs of transaction processing systems; personnel costs to develop and maintain applications, operate computer networks, and provide customer support; losses from check guarantee services; interchange (processing fees paid to credit card associations) and other fees related to merchant processing; depreciation and occupancy costs associated with the facilities where these functions are performed; and reimbursed out-of-pocket expenses. Selling, general, and administrative expenses consist primarily of salaries, wages, and related expenses paid to sales, non-revenue customer support functions, and administrative employees and management. Merger and acquisition ("M&A") costs consist of investment banking, legal, accounting, and other direct costs related to the pending merger with FIS and the possible formation and acquisition of a majority ownership in a card and merchant processing joint venture in Brazil, which is currently under exclusive negotiation with two leading Brazilian banks.

As mentioned previously, our merchant processing operations consist of two businesses, merchant acquiring and institution processing. In our merchant acquiring business, where we are a direct party to contracts with merchants, revenues collected for services are based primarily on a discount rate, which considers the cost of interchange fees. In our institution processing business, where our relationship is with the financial institution that contracts directly with the merchant, we collect the interchange fees in addition to transaction fees. In both instances, we are responsible for collecting the interchange fees after settling with the credit card associations and thus, interchange fees are recorded as a component of revenues and costs of services in the consolidated statements of income. Interchange fees reflected in the consolidated statements of income for the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 from continuing operations (institution processing) were \$23.5 million and \$66.0 million, respectively, in 2005, and \$18.0 million and \$51.0 million, respectively, in 2004.

Highlights of the Third Quarter 2005 Consolidated Financial Results

Highlights of the 2005 third quarter consolidated financial results, including M&A costs, as compared to the 2004 third quarter (restated for the adoption of SFAS 123(R)), are as follows:

- Revenues grew 7.7 percent to \$282.8 million.
- Operating income, which includes \$7.0 million of M&A costs, decreased 3.6 percent to \$43.0 million.
- Interest expense of \$3.1 million was comparable to the prior year quarter.

- Income from continuing operations, which includes \$7.0 million of M&A costs, decreased 12.6 percent to \$22.7 million.
- Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations, which includes \$0.11 of M&A costs, decreased 12.2 percent to \$0.36.
- Income from discontinued operations totaled \$0.6 million (\$0.01 per diluted share), compared to \$1.3 million (\$0.02 per diluted share) in the prior year period.

In the third quarter of 2005, capital expenditures totaled \$14.8 million.

Consolidated Results of Operations

The following table summarizes our consolidated results for the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004, restated for the adoption of SFAS 123(R) (in millions, except per share amounts):

		onths Ended mber 30,		ths Ended iber 30,
	2005	2004	2005	2004
Revenues	\$ 282.8	\$ 262.7	\$821.3	\$ 757.7
Operating expenses (1)	\$ 239.8	\$ 218.0	\$697.8	\$ 645.6
Operating income	\$ 43.0	\$ 44.6	\$123.4	\$ 112.1
Other income, net	\$ 0.7	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.4	\$ 0.6
Interest expense	\$ (3.1)	\$ (3.3)	\$ (9.7)	\$ (9.4)
Income from continuing operations, net of tax	\$ 22.7	\$ 25.9	\$ 69.2	\$ 64.1
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ 0.6	\$ 1.3	\$ 24.8	\$ 4.1
Net income	\$ 23.3	\$ 27.3	\$ 94.0	\$ 68.2
Diluted earnings per share:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.41	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.00
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.06
Net income	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.43	\$ 1.49	\$ 1.06

¹⁾ Operating expenses in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2005 include \$7.0 million and \$8.3 million of M&A costs, respectively.

Consolidated Revenues

Third Quarter 2005 compared with Third Quarter 2004

Consolidated revenues in the third quarter of 2005 of \$282.8 million increased \$20.1 million, or 7.7 percent, over the third quarter of 2004. Card Services revenues grew \$17.0 million, or 11.4 percent, while Check Services experienced revenue growth of \$3.1 million, or 2.8 percent.

Overall, our revenue growth was driven by strong growth in our North American card issuing and cash access operations, as well as favorable currency rates. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased total U.S. dollar revenues by \$2.2 million in the third quarter of 2005.

First Nine Months 2005 compared with First Nine Months 2004

Consolidated revenues in the first nine months of 2005 of \$821.3 million increased \$63.6 million, or 8.4 percent, over the first nine months of 2004. Card Services revenues increased \$51.5 million, or 11.9 percent, while Check Services experienced revenue growth of \$12.1 million, or 3.7 percent.

Overall, our revenue growth was driven by strong growth in our North American and international card issuing and cash access operations, incremental revenue from prior year acquisitions, and favorable currency rates. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased total U.S. dollar revenues by \$6.4 million in the first nine months of 2005.

Consolidated Operating Expenses

Third Quarter 2005 compared with Third Quarter 2004

Consolidated operating expenses in the third quarter of 2005 of \$239.8 million increased \$21.7 million, or 10.0 percent, over the third quarter of 2004. Operating expenses for Card Services increased \$16.1 million, or 14.1 percent, while Check Services operating expenses decreased \$0.3 million, or 0.3 percent. Corporate expenses of \$12.0 million increased \$5.9 million above the third quarter of 2004. Consolidated operating expenses in 2005 include \$7.0 million of M&A costs. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased total U.S. dollar operating expenses by \$2.7 million in the third quarter of 2005.

Costs of services in the third quarter of 2005 of \$202.0 million increased \$15.5 million, or 8.3 percent, over the third quarter of 2004. Card Services experienced a \$15.2 million, or 14.8 percent, increase in costs of services primarily driven by a \$5.5 million increase in card merchant processing interchange fees (costs of services included \$23.5 million and \$18.0 million of interchange fees in 2005 and 2004, respectively), a \$3.5 million increase in reimbursable expenses, direct costs of revenue growth in our domestic and international operations, and currency exchange. Costs of services in Check Services increased \$0.3 million, or 0.3 percent, driven primarily by increased costs of services attributable to revenue growth in our cash access business, which was partially offset by a reduction in check guarantee net losses attributable to enhanced fraud modeling and increased collection rates.

Selling, general, and administrative ("SG&A") expenses in the third quarter of 2005 of \$30.7 million decreased \$0.8 million, or 2.4 percent, over the third quarter of 2004. Card Services SG&A expense of \$11.0 million was comparable to the prior year quarter. SG&A costs in Check Services decreased \$0.5 million, or 3.8 percent, primarily driven by lower labor-related costs, including stock option expense. Corporate SG&A expense decreased \$0.2 million, primarily resulting from lower stock compensation expense and favorable annual insurance premium renewals, effective July 1, 2005.

During the third quarter of 2005, we incurred \$7.0 million of investment banking, legal, accounting and other direct costs related to the pending merger with FIS and the possible formation and acquisition of a majority ownership in a card and merchant processing joint venture in Brazil, which is currently under exclusive negotiation with two leading Brazilian banks. Merger costs of \$6.1 million are included in Corporate expense while the \$0.9 million in joint venture costs are included in Card Services. M&A costs for the three months ended September 30, 2005 consist of the following (in thousands):

	Merger	Joint	Venture
Investment banking fees	\$3,614	\$	60
Legal fees	1,833		354
Accounting fees	396		196
Consulting and other costs	250		307
			
	\$6,093	\$	917

First Nine Months 2005 compared with First Nine Months 2004

Consolidated operating expenses in the first nine months of 2005 of \$697.8 million increased \$52.2 million, or 8.1 percent, over the first nine months of 2004. Operating expenses for Card Services increased \$45.8 million, or 13.6 percent, while Check Services decreased \$2.0 million, or 0.7 percent. Corporate expenses of \$28.4 million increased \$8.4 million above the first nine months of 2004. Consolidated operating expenses in 2005 include \$8.3 million of M&A costs. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased total U.S. dollar operating expenses by \$7.3 million in the first nine months of 2005.

Costs of services in the first nine months of 2005 of \$588.8 million increased \$40.5 million, or 7.4 percent, over the first nine months of 2004. Card Services experienced a \$43.7 million, or 14.5 percent, increase in costs of services primarily driven by a \$15.0 million increase in card merchant processing interchange fees (costs of services included \$65.9 million and \$50.9 million of interchange fees in 2005 and 2004, respectively), an \$8.4 million increase in reimbursable expenses, incremental expenses from the prior year acquisitions of Crittson and CariCard, direct costs of revenue growth in our domestic and international operations, and currency exchange. Costs of services in Check Services decreased \$3.2 million, or 1.3 percent, driven by a reduction in check guarantee net losses attributable to lower guarantee volumes, enhanced fraud modeling, and increased collection rates, which more than offset increased costs of services attributable to the acquisition of Game Financial in March 2004 and revenue growth in our cash access business, and currency exchange.

Selling, general, and administrative expenses in the first nine months of 2005 of \$100.8 million increased \$3.4 million, or 3.5 percent, over the first nine months of 2004. Card Services experienced a \$0.4 million, or 1.3 percent, increase in SG&A costs due to

the prior year acquisitions of Crittson and CariCard, and currency exchange. SG&A costs in Check Services increased \$1.2 million, or 2.7 percent, primarily driven by the prior year Game Financial acquisition, increased selling costs, and currency exchange. Corporate SG&A expense increased \$1.8 million, primarily resulting from higher audit fees and employee-related costs, which was partially offset by lower stock option expense and insurance premiums.

During 2005, we incurred \$8.3 million of investment banking, legal, accounting and other direct costs related to the pending merger with FIS and the possible formation and acquisition of a majority ownership in a card and merchant processing joint venture in Brazil, which is currently under exclusive negotiation with two leading Brazilian banks. Merger costs of \$6.6 million are included in Corporate expense while the \$1.7 million in joint venture costs are included in Card Services. M&A costs for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 consist of the following (in thousands):

	Merger	Join	t Venture
Investment banking fees	\$3,864	\$	312
Legal fees	1,915		512
Accounting fees	560		393
Consulting and other costs	250		496
	\$6,589	\$	1,713

Consolidated Operating Income

Third Quarter 2005 compared with Third Quarter 2004

Consolidated operating income in the third quarter of 2005 of \$43.0 million decreased \$1.6 million, or 3.6 percent, over the third quarter of 2004. Card Services operating income increased \$0.9 million, or 2.6 percent, while Check Services operating income increased \$3.4 million, or 22.6 percent. General corporate expense increased \$5.9 million, or 97.0 percent, over the third quarter of 2004. Our consolidated operating margin was 15.2 percent in the third quarter of 2005 compared to 17.0 percent in the third quarter of 2004. Operating income in the third quarter of 2005 includes \$7.0 million of M&A costs.

The operating income decline experienced in the third quarter of 2005 was driven by the \$7.0 million in M&A costs, which more than offset the improved profitability in our Check Services segment, primarily attributable to lower check guarantee net losses, as well as growth in our North American card issuing operations.

First Nine Months 2005 compared with First Nine Months 2004

Consolidated operating income in the first nine months of 2005 increased \$11.4 million, or 10.2 percent, over the nine months of 2004. Card Services operating income increased \$5.6 million, or 5.8 percent, while Check Services operating income increased \$14.2 million, or 40.8 percent. General corporate expense increased \$8.4 million, over the first nine months of 2004. Our consolidated operating margin grew from 14.8 percent in 2004 to 15.0 percent in 2005. Operating income in 2005 includes \$8.3 million of M&A costs.

The operating income growth experienced in the first nine months of 2005 was driven by improved profitability in our Check Services segment, primarily attributable to lower check guarantee net losses, prior year acquisitions, and growth in our global card issuing operations. This growth was partially offset by the \$8.3 million in M&A costs recorded in the first nine months of 2005.

Consolidated Other Income, Net

Consolidated other income, net, which principally consists of interest income and net foreign currency exchange gain, of \$0.7 million in the third quarter of 2005 was above the prior year quarter other income, net of \$0.3 million, driven by higher cash balances and interest rates.

Consolidated other income, net, of \$1.4 million in the first nine months of 2005 was above the prior year period other income, net of \$0.6 million, also driven by higher cash balances and interest rates.

Consolidated Interest Expense

Interest expense during the third quarter of 2005 of \$3.1 million was comparable to the prior year quarter. Interest expense during the first nine months of 2005 of \$9.7 million increased by \$0.3 million compared to the first nine months of 2004, due to higher average interest rates on revolving credit borrowings. All revolving credit borrowings were repaid during the second quarter of 2005.

Effective Tax Rate

The effective tax rates for continuing operations of 44.1 percent and 39.9 percent in the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2005, respectively, reflect the impact of not recognizing a tax benefit associated with the M&A costs of \$7.0 million and \$8.3 million incurred during the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2005, respectively. A tax benefit for these costs was not recorded because the ultimate tax treatment of these costs cannot be determined with adequate certainty at this time.

Our effective tax rates for continuing operations were 37.8 percent and 37.9 percent in the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively. Our lower effective rates in 2005, when excluding the impact of the non-recognition of tax benefits on the M&A costs, were driven by the implementation of certain international and state tax planning strategies and the impact of expensing stock options in accordance with SFAS 123(R), which is attributable to there being more deductible stock compensation expense in conjunction with higher operating income in the current year as compared to the prior year.

Consolidated Net Income and Earnings per Share

Third Quarter 2005 compared with Third Quarter 2004

Income from continuing operations of \$22.7 million in the third quarter of 2005 decreased \$3.3 million, or 12.6 percent, while diluted earnings per share from continuing operations of \$0.36 decreased \$0.05, or 12.2 percent. Income from continuing operations in the third quarter includes \$7.0 million of M&A costs. Income from discontinued operations in the third quarter of 2005 declined \$0.7 million to \$0.6 million as a result of the sale of the remainder of the merchant acquiring business during the third quarter of 2005. We continue to generate income from discontinued operations as we are providing transition services to the acquirer of certain of our merchant portfolios in the second quarter of 2005 which we expect will continue for a period of up to one year after the sale.

The repurchase of 0.3 million shares of common stock subsequent to the third quarter of 2004 had a favorable impact on earnings per share compared to the prior year by reducing our weighted average shares outstanding in the third quarter of 2005 by approximately 0.2 million shares.

First Nine Months 2005 compared with First Nine Months 2004

Income from continuing operations of \$69.2 million in the first nine months of 2005 increased \$5.1 million, or 8.0 percent, while diluted earnings per share from continuing operations of \$1.10 increased \$0.10, or 10.0 percent. Income from discontinued operations in the first nine months of 2005 of \$24.8 million includes an after-tax gain of \$27.3 million (\$0.43 per diluted share) on the sale of a majority of our merchant acquiring business, a \$6.8 million (\$0.11 per diluted share) after-tax write-down of our remaining merchant acquiring portfolio, and \$4.3 million (\$0.07 per diluted share) of income from discontinued operations. The discontinued operations results in the first nine months of 2005 benefited from \$1.4 million of reduced after-tax amortization expense, in accordance with the requirements of SFAS 144, which requires amortization of long-lived assets to cease upon classification as held for sale. We continue to generate income from discontinued operations as we are providing transition services to the acquirer of certain of our merchant portfolios in the second quarter of 2005 which we expect will continue for a period of up to one year after the sale.

The repurchase of 0.3 million shares of common stock subsequent to the first nine months of 2004 had a favorable impact on earnings per share compared to the prior year by reducing our weighted average shares outstanding in the first nine months of 2005 by approximately 0.3 million shares.

Segment Results

The following table summarizes our segment results for the three months and the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 (restated for the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R)) (in millions):

		nths Ended nber 30,	Nine Mon Septem	ths Ended ber 30,
	2005	2004	2005	2004
Revenues:				
Card Services	\$ 166.5	\$ 149.5	\$484.6	\$ 433.1
Check Services	116.2	113.1	336.7	324.5
				
	\$ 282.8	\$ 262.7	\$821.3	\$ 757.7
Operating income:				
Card Services	\$ 36.7	\$ 35.8	\$ 103.0	\$ 97.3
Check Services	18.4	15.0	48.8	34.7
				
	55.1	50.8	151.8	132.0
General corporate expense	(12.0)	(6.1)	(28.4)	(20.0)
	\$ 43.0	\$ 44.6	\$123.4	\$ 112.1

Card Services

Third Quarter 2005 compared with Third Quarter 2004

Card Services revenues of \$166.5 million in the third quarter of 2005 increased \$17.0 million, or 11.4 percent, above the third quarter of 2004, attributable to growth in both our North American and international businesses, incremental revenue from our prior year acquisition of CariCard, and favorable currency trends. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased our U.S. dollar revenues by approximately \$2.5 million in the third quarter of 2005. At September 30, 2005, we were processing 52.4 million cards compared to 47.6 million cards at September 30, 2004.

Our North American card business, which includes our continuing merchant processing services, generated revenues of \$135.4 million, a \$13.4 million, or 10.9 percent, increase over the prior year quarter, driven by growth in card processing services, e-payments (Internet banking and electronic bill payment), and institution merchant processing. North American card transactions increased 5.2%, driven by 5.1% growth in the number of cards processed. Higher adoption of loyalty programs resulted in double-digit growth in card enhancement revenue, while Internet banking subscribers and electronic bill payment users increased over the prior year period. Institution merchant processing volumes increased 20.8%, driven by 14.0% growth in transactions.

Our international card business, which includes our software maintenance and support services, generated revenues of \$31.1 million, a \$3.6 million, or 13.2 percent, increase over the prior year quarter. Growth in our Asia-Pacific and Brazilian operations was driven by strong new card issuance and new product launches. We added over 0.9 million cards during the quarter. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased our U.S. dollar revenues by approximately \$2.5 million in the third quarter of 2005, which partially offset lower revenue in the U.K. largely due to the bankruptcy of a full-service customer in 2005.

Card Services operating income of \$36.7 million in the third quarter of 2005 increased \$0.9 million, or 2.6 percent, above the third quarter of 2004. Card Services operating margin of 22.0 percent in the third quarter of 2005 decreased by 190 basis points compared to an operating margin of 23.9 percent in the prior year quarter, primarily driven by \$0.9 million of M&A costs in connection with the ongoing exclusive negotiation with two leading Brazilian banks regarding the possible formation and acquisition of a majority ownership in a card and merchant processing joint venture and product mix shift driven by the strongest revenue growth coming from products and services with margins lower than the overall Card Services average margin.

First Nine Months 2005 compared with First Nine Months 2004

Card Services revenues of \$484.6 million in the first nine months of 2005 increased \$51.5 million, or 11.9 percent, above the first nine months of 2004, attributable to growth in both our North American and international businesses, incremental revenue from our prior year acquisitions of Crittson and CariCard, and favorable currency trends. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased our U.S. dollar revenues by approximately \$5.7 million in the first nine months of 2005. At September 30, 2005, we were processing 52.4 million cards compared to 47.6 million cards at September 30, 2004.

Our North American card business, which includes our continuing merchant processing services, generated revenues of \$394.7 million, a \$36.1 million, or 10.1 percent, increase over the prior year. This growth was fueled by increased debit transactions, new customer signings, and growth in e-payments, card loyalty programs, and institution merchant processing, as well as the prior year acquisition of Crittson.

Our international card business, which includes our software maintenance and support services, generated revenues of \$89.9 million, a \$15.4 million, or 20.7 percent, increase over the prior year. This growth was driven by new customers, expanding card programs of existing customers, particularly in Asia-Pacific and Brazil, higher software maintenance and support, the prior year acquisition of CariCard in the Caribbean, and favorable currency trends. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased our U.S. dollar revenues by approximately \$5.7 million in the first nine months of 2005.

Card Services operating income of \$103.0 million in the first nine months of 2005 increased \$5.6 million, or 5.8 percent, above the first nine months of 2004. Card Services operating margin of 21.3 percent in the first nine months of 2005 decreased by 120 basis points compared to an operating margin of 22.5 percent in the prior year, primarily driven by \$1.7 million in M&A costs related to the possible joint venture in Brazil and higher revenue growth in our lower-margin products, for example institution merchant processing.

Check Services

Third Quarter 2005 compared with Third Quarter 2004

Check Services revenues of \$116.2 million in the third quarter of 2005 increased \$3.1 million, or 2.8 percent, over the third quarter of 2004, primarily driven by growth in our cash access business, attributable to increased volumes and new customer signings in our Game Financial business and the continued roll-out of our payroll check-cashing services to grocers and other retailers. The weakening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar decreased our U.S. dollar revenues by approximately \$0.3 million in the third quarter of 2005. The face amount of checks we authorized totaled \$13.1 billion in the third quarter of 2005 as compared to \$9.6 billion in the prior year quarter, with a \$3.2 billion increase in verification volumes and a \$0.3 billion increase in guarantee volumes.

North American check revenues of \$97.6 million increased \$2.4 million, or 2.6 percent, over the third quarter of 2004. Growth in our cash access business, as well as growth from new customers and third-party collections, was partially offset by reduced revenue in our domestic point-of-sale business, as the increase in guarantee volumes was offset by a reduction in the average billing rate attributable to lower-risk verticals that are priced based on risk, such as the grocery industry. Cash access transactions and check volumes were negatively impacted by the Gulf Coast storms and the resulting impact of the rising energy prices on retail spending. The face amount of checks we authorized in the U.S. totaled \$12.3 billion in the third quarter of 2005 as compared to \$8.7 billion in the prior year quarter, with a \$3.2 billion increase in verification volumes and a \$0.3 billion increase in guarantee volumes.

International check revenues of \$18.6 million increased \$0.7 million, or 3.9 percent, compared to the third quarter of 2004. The third quarter international growth is largely attributable to our deferred debit program in Australia and new customer signings. Our growth rate was impacted by softer retail sales in the U.K. and France, which is driving slightly lower guarantee volumes in the current year in both countries. The weakening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar decreased our U.S. dollar revenues by approximately \$0.3 million in the third quarter of 2005.

Check Services operating income of \$18.4 million in the third quarter of 2005 increased \$3.4 million, or 22.6 percent, compared to the third quarter of 2004. Check Services operating margin of 15.8 percent in the third quarter of 2005 increased by 260 basis points compared to an operating margin of 13.2 percent in the prior year quarter. Improvements in the accuracy of our risk management systems to better identify fraudulent transactions and initiatives to improve salvage collections drove a reduction in check guarantee net losses that improved profitability in our Check segment. Improvements in the accuracy of our risk management systems are resulting in higher expected salvage rates on returned checks. Also, initiatives to improve our salvage collection techniques are benefiting collection rates on both new and aged returned checks. While we will continue to focus on driving higher profitability in our check risk management business through ongoing improvements in risk management systems and salvage collection techniques, we expect margin growth to moderate in the fourth quarter.

First Nine Months 2005 compared with First Nine Months 2004

Check Services revenues of \$336.7 million in the first nine months of 2005 increased \$12.1 million, or 3.7 percent, over the first nine months of 2004, primarily driven by the acquisition of Game Financial in March 2004. Growth from new customers, third-party collections, and our international and cash access businesses was partially offset by reduced revenue in our domestic point-of-sale business, driven by lower guarantee volumes and loss-sensitive revenue streams, as well as a reduction in the average billing rate attributable to lower-risk verticals that are priced based on risk, such as the grocery industry. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased our U.S. dollar revenues by approximately \$0.8 million in the first nine months of 2005. The face amount of checks we authorized totaled \$37.4 billion in the first nine months of 2005 as compared to \$28.3 billion in the prior year first nine months, with a \$9.0 billion increase in verification volumes and a \$0.1 billion increase in guarantee volumes.

North American check revenues of \$281.5 million increased \$9.5 million, or 3.5 percent, over the first nine months of 2004, primarily driven by the acquisition of Game Financial in March 2004. In addition to the Game Financial acquisition, we experienced growth in our cash access business attributable to the continued roll-out of our payroll check-cashing services to grocers and other retailers. Growth from new customers and third-party collections was offset by the impact of lower guarantee volumes and loss-sensitive revenue streams in our domestic point-of-sale business. Our volumes are impacted by customer attrition, migration of consumers to other payment means, and the retail sales activity of our customers, which can be affected by general economic conditions and other factors that may relate to certain retailers. Additionally, cash access transactions and check volumes were negatively impacted by the Gulf Coast storms and the resulting impact of rising energy prices on retail spending in the third quarter of 2005. The success of our current period risk initiatives has reduced loss sensitive revenue streams, such as service fees and risk-sharing contracts. Growth in our cash access business for the first nine months of 2005 was impacted by the prior year termination of our contract with 7-Eleven's kiosk-based payroll check cashing service (Vcom), which generated revenue in the first half of 2004. The face amount of checks we authorized in the U.S. totaled \$34.9 billion in the first nine months of 2005 as compared to \$25.5 billion in the prior year first nine months, with a \$9.0 billion increase in verification volumes and a \$0.3 billion increase in guarantee volumes. The decline in point-of-sale guarantee volumes was offset by increased guarantee volumes in our payroll check-cashing business.

International check revenues of \$55.2 million increased \$2.6 million, or 4.9 percent, compared to the first nine months of 2004. The first nine months' international growth is largely attributable to our deferred debit program in Australia, favorable currency trends, and new customer signings. Our growth rate was impacted by softer retail sales in the U.K. and France, which is driving lower guarantee volumes in the current year in both countries. The face amount of checks we authorized internationally totaled \$2.6 billion in the first nine months of 2005 as compared to \$2.7 billion in the prior year first nine months. The strengthening of certain foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar increased our U.S. dollar revenues by approximately \$0.8 million in the first nine months of 2005.

Check Services operating income of \$48.8 million in the first nine months of 2005 increased \$14.2 million, or 40.8 percent, compared to the first nine months of 2004. Check Services operating margin of 14.5 percent in the first nine months of 2005 increased by 380 basis points compared to an operating margin of 10.7 percent in the prior year first nine months. Improvements in the accuracy of our risk management systems to better identify fraudulent transactions and initiatives to improve salvage collections drove a reduction in check guarantee net losses that significantly improved profitability in our Check segment. Improvements in the accuracy of our risk management systems are resulting in higher expected salvage rates on returned checks. Also, initiatives to improve our salvage collection techniques are benefiting collection rates on both new and aged returned checks. While we will continue to focus on driving higher profitability in our check risk management business through ongoing improvements in risk management systems and salvage collection techniques, we expect margin growth to moderate in the fourth quarter.

General Corporate Expense

Third Quarter 2005 compared with Third Quarter 2004

General corporate expense of \$12.0 million in the third quarter of 2005 increased \$5.9 million over the third quarter of 2004 due to \$6.1 million of M&A costs related to the proposed merger with FIS, which more than offset reduced stock compensation expense and favorable annual insurance premium renewals, effective July 1, 2005.

First Nine Months 2005 compared with First Nine Months 2004

General corporate expense of \$28.4 million in the first nine months of 2005 increased \$8.4 million over the first nine months of 2004. The increase in general corporate expense is primarily due to the \$6.6 million of M&A costs related to the proposed merger with FIS, higher audit fees, and employee costs, which were partially offset by lower stock option expense and insurance premiums.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We have historically generated and continue to generate strong cash flows from our operating activities that we use to further invest in our business through capital expenditures and strategic acquisitions. Additionally, since our spin-off from Equifax in 2001, we have engaged in periodic repurchases of our common shares, when it has been deemed appropriate, and began to pay cash dividends to our shareholders in 2003. Proceeds from stock option exercises have varied each year, primarily driven by changes in our stock price.

In conjunction with the spin-off from Equifax, we made a cash payment to Equifax in the amount of \$275 million in July 2001 to reflect Certegy's share of Equifax's pre-distribution debt used to establish our initial capitalization. This payment was funded through \$400 million of unsecured revolving credit facilities we obtained. Since that time, we have used available cash flow to reduce our outstanding balance on these facilities and on September 10, 2003, we used the proceeds from our offering of 4.75 percent fixed rate five-year notes with a face value of \$200 million to pay down the remaining revolver balance.

As of September 30, 2005, our consolidated cash balance is \$105.3 million, which includes the proceeds from the sale of our merchant acquiring business in the second and third quarters of 2005, net of amounts used in the third quarter of 2005 to pay certain taxes due on the gain on the sale. This cash will be held to fund additional taxes due on the gain on the sale, merger costs, and a portion of the special \$3.75 per share dividend to be declared and paid in connection with the merger.

On March 1, 2004, we completed the purchases of Game Financial and Crittson and on August 6, 2004, we completed the purchase of CariCard. These acquisitions had a combined cash purchase price of \$46.5 million, net of \$24.6 million of cash acquired and additional consideration adjustments settled during 2004 and 2005. Approximately \$5.8 million of the Crittson purchase price, which represents the merchant acquiring operations, was reclassified to discontinued operations (see Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements for further information). We funded these acquisitions through borrowings on our revolving credit facility and as of June 30, 2005, had repaid all outstanding borrowings on this facility. A majority of the cash acquired with these acquisitions relates to Game Financial, which provides check cashing and cash advance services for the gaming industry. In certain casino locations, Game Financial maintains cash access booths, where consumers can cash personal checks, and various "point-of-sale" devices, where cash advance services are facilitated. These point-of-sale devices include PC's, kiosks, and ATM's. In other casino locations, these transactions are conducted in the casino's own cage operation by casino employees using Game Financial's system.

First Nine Months 2005 compared with First Nine Months 2004

Operating Activities. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$94.3 million in the first nine months of 2005, as compared to \$116.9 million in the first nine months of 2004. Income from continuing operations was \$69.2 million in 2005 and \$64.1 million in 2004. The sale of our merchant acquiring business in 2005 resulted in proceeds of \$60.0 million, which are presented in investing activities, and a pre-tax gain of \$45.4 million, which is included in operating activities. Income taxes paid in the first nine months of 2005 on the gain on the sale were approximately \$16.5 million, which are included in operating activities. Cash flows from our discontinued operations, excluding the cash flows related to the sale, are shown separately in the statement of cash flows as cash provided by discontinued operations.

The increase in depreciation and amortization expense in 2005 is attributable to the March 2004 acquisitions of Game Financial and Crittson and the August 2004 acquisition of CariCard, as well as increases in capitalized property, equipment and systems development costs. The decrease in amortization of deferred compensation in 2005 is attributable to lower stock option expense in 2005 as compared to 2004. Other non-cash items include amortization of capitalized contract costs and deferred financing costs, as well as the net periodic benefit cost of our retirement and postretirement benefit plans.

The largest changes in assets and liabilities were driven by accounts receivable, current liabilities, claims accounts, and other current assets. The change in accounts receivable between years is the result of the timing of collections compared to billings, as well as incremental cash collected in the prior year related to acquired accounts receivable. The change in current liabilities between years results from the timing of payments for vendor invoices, compensation and benefit liabilities, income taxes, other payables, acquisition-related liabilities, merger and joint venture costs, and other current liabilities. The change in activity in income tax accounts between years is due to the provisions accrued in each respective year and the timing of tax payments. During the second quarter of 2005, we were able to secure our own licenses for the sale of payment instruments in states in which we operate our cash access business. Previously, we used a third-party to fund these payment instruments and recorded a liability to the third-party for the outstanding amounts due, which was included in other payables in the consolidated balance sheet. The change in claims accounts between years is driven by the lower collection of loss-sensitive service fees in the first nine months of 2005 and timing differences. The change in other current assets between years is primarily driven by the termination of our contract with the kiosk-based payroll check cashing service in 2004.

Outflows for other long-term assets primarily consist of the funding of employee life insurance premiums and deferred compensation plans, incentive payments to customers related to signing or renewing long-term contracts, and payments related to deferred data processing costs.

We used our cash flow from operating activities in the first nine months of 2005 primarily to repay revolving credit borrowings, reinvest in our existing businesses through expenditures for equipment and systems development, and make dividend payments.

Investing Activities. Capital expenditures in the first nine months of 2005 totaled \$42.9 million, which represents an increase of \$14.4 million compared to the prior year. Expenditures for development and conversion of a large customer in our international card issuing operations, incremental expenditures for migration and development related to the prior year acquisitions of Game Financial and CariCard, and additional expenditures for domestic processing equipment and systems development for new products and services drove the increase in capital expenditures over the prior year period. Proceeds from the sale of our merchant acquiring business

totaled \$60.0 million in the first nine months of 2005, while the acquisitions of Game Financial, Crittson, and CariCard in the prior year period totaled \$41.0 million, which is net of cash acquired. In the third quarter of 2005, we paid an additional \$1.0 million related to the Crittson acquisition as a result of the acquired business achieving specified levels of revenue growth during designated periods subsequent to the acquisition.

Financing Activities. Net repayments of borrowings on our revolving credit facility in the first nine months of 2005 totaled \$48.6 million, compared to net additions to borrowings of \$61.5 million in the first nine months of 2004, which were used to fund acquisitions and share repurchases. Cash expended for share repurchases totaled \$87.8 million in the first nine months of 2004. Dividend payments to shareholders totaled \$9.4 million and \$9.6 million in the first nine months of 2005 and 2004, respectively. Proceeds from the exercise of stock options totaled \$6.2 million in the first nine months of 2005 compared to \$8.5 million in the prior year period.

Discontinued Operations. Cash provided by discontinued operations, excluding the cash flows related to the sale, was \$5.8 million in the first nine months of 2005 compared to \$4.6 million in the first nine months of 2004, consisting of operating cash flows of \$5.8 million in the first nine months of 2005 compared to \$10.6 million in the first nine months of 2004. The decrease in operating cash flows is primarily driven by deferred income taxes on acquired merchant portfolios. Investing cash outflows in the first nine months of 2004 consisted of \$0.2 million of capital expenditures and \$5.8 million for the acquisition of the merchant acquiring portfolio of Crittson. There were no investing cash flows in the first nine months of 2005.

Seasonality and Inflation

We are subject to certain seasonal fluctuations, such as peak activity during the holiday buying season. We do not believe that inflation has had a material effect on our operating results; however, inflation could adversely affect our financial results were it to result in a substantial weakening in economic conditions that adversely affects the level of consumer spending.

Economic and Other Factors

The Brazilian market is characterized by economic uncertainty that causes volatility in currency values and historically has resulted in severe inflationary pressures. Notwithstanding this uncertainty, we believe that the long-term prospects offered by the Brazilian market are attractive and our continued focus on growing our Brazilian business and attaining cost efficiencies should provide us with a cost structure that can withstand short-term declines in our business driven by the uncertain market and the loss of a large customer in March 2003.

Our Brazilian card operations had net assets of approximately \$129.2 million at September 30, 2005, which includes a net equity reduction of \$65.2 million as a result of cumulative foreign currency translation. These operations are included in our international card reporting unit for purposes of goodwill impairment testing pursuant to SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" ("SFAS 142"). Pursuant to the requirements of SFAS 142 and SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," our Brazilian assets are subject to regular evaluations to assess their recoverability. In the opinion of management, these assets are appropriately valued at September 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004; however, if we are unable to achieve our business plan and improve profitability in our Brazilian operations by growing revenue or achieving the necessary cost efficient structure in the future, this could have an impact on our opinion regarding these valuations, which could lead to an impairment charge against net income.

During the third quarter of 2005, Certegy was selected to exclusively negotiate with two of the largest card issuing banks in Brazil to establish and acquire a majority-ownership interest in a new joint venture company that will provide a wide range of card and merchant processing services. Currently, it is anticipated that the card issuing banks will contribute long-term exclusive processing contracts to the joint venture, and we will contribute consideration of cash and other capital, which may include part or all of our existing Brazilian operations. Although we believe that this joint venture could significantly improve the revenue growth and profitability of our international card operations, the contribution of part or all of our existing Brazilian operations would be a change to our current business plan and could result in a non-cash charge against net income in accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 90-13, "Accounting for Simultaneous Common Control Mergers." We cannot, at this time, predict the timing or ultimate outcome of this possible joint venture or the amount of any charge against net income, which could be material.

Forward-Looking Statements

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements that are based on current expectations, assumptions, estimates, and projections about our business and our industry. They are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks and uncertainties, many of which are outside of our control, that may cause actual results to differ significantly from what is expressed in those statements. Without limitation, any statements in this Form 10-Q regarding the anticipated future benefits of our proposed merger with Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. ("FIS"), our proposed Brazilian joint venture, acquisitions, growth opportunities in the payment risk management and card processing industries, our Brazilian growth strategy, and our strategy for penetrating additional international markets are forward-looking statements. The factors that could, either individually or in the aggregate, affect our performance include the following, some of which are described in greater detail in the section entitled "Certain Factors Affecting

Forward-Looking Statements" in our 2004 Annual Report on Form 10-K: our reliance on a small number of financial industries for the majority of our revenues; our reliance on key strategic relationships; the necessity to maintain qualifications set by bank card associations in order to continue to provide transaction processing services; potential liability when merchant customers cannot or do not reimburse us for charge-backs resolved in favor of cardholders, or when checks we guarantee are dishonored by the check writer's bank; potential loss of customers from continued consolidation in the financial services and in retail industries; declines in check writing; changes in regulation or industry standards applicable to our businesses or those of our customers; the level of economic growth or other factors affecting demand for our products and services; ability to maintain or improve our competitive positions against current and potential competitors; database security and reliability of our information technology systems; risks associated with investments and operations in foreign countries, including exchange rate fluctuations and local political, social, and economic factors; the need to integrate acquired businesses; and those other risks listed in the above-referenced section of our Form 10-K. Factors that could, either individually or in the aggregate, affect any forward-looking statements we make concerning the proposed merger with FIS are described in greater detail in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in our preliminary proxy statement related to the merger filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 12, 2005, and include: the voting control of Certegy held by FIS's parent if the merger closes; possible conflicts of interest arising from that control post-closing; the risk that Certegy and FIS may not be able to successfully integrate their businesses or achieve synergies; interests of Certegy's directors and executive officers in the merger which differ from the interest of Certegy sh

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We have no material changes to the disclosure on this matter made in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

An evaluation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e), was carried out by the Company's management, with the participation of the chief executive and chief financial officers, as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. No system of controls, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide absolute assurance that the objectives of the system of controls are met, and no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that the system of controls has operated effectively in all cases. Our disclosure controls and procedures, however, are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the objectives of disclosure controls and procedures are met.

Based on the evaluation discussed above, our Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officers have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the date of that evaluation to provide reasonable assurance that the objectives of disclosure controls and procedures are met.

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

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibits:

The following is a list of Exhibits included as part of this report, including those incorporated by reference. A list of those documents filed with this report is set forth on the Exhibit Index appearing elsewhere in this report and is incorporated by reference.

Exhibit No	Description
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger among Certegy Inc., C Co Merger Sub, LLC and Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. dated as of September 14, 2005 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 2.1 to Certegy Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-16427) filed with the Commission on September 16, 2005 (the "9/16/05 Form 8-K").
4.1	Shareholders Agreement dated September 14, 2005 among Certegy Inc., Fidelity National Financial, Inc. and the other parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.1 to the 9/16/05 Form 8-K).
4.2	Amendment to Rights Agreement dated as of September 14, 2005 by and between Certegy Inc. and SunTrust Bank as Rights Agent (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.2 to the 9/16/05 Form 8-K).
10.1	Commitment Agreement dated as of September 14, 2005 among Certegy Inc. and the stockholders of Fidelity National Information Services, Inc. parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to the 9/16/05 Form 8-K).
10.2	Employment Agreement dated as of September 14, 2005 by and between Certegy Inc. and Lee A. Kennedy (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to the 9/16/05 Form 8-K).
10.3	Employment Agreement dated as of September 14, 2005 by and between Certegy Inc. and Jeffrey S. Carbiener (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 to the 9/16/05 Form 8-K).
12.1	Statements re Computation of Ratios.
31.1	Certification of Lee A. Kennedy, Chief Executive Officer of Certegy Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Exchange Act, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of Michael T. Vollkommer, Chief Financial Officer of Certegy Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Exchange Act, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Certification of Lee A. Kennedy, Chief Executive Officer of Certegy Inc., pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2	Certification of Michael T. Vollkommer, Chief Financial Officer of Certegy Inc., pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

SIGNATURES

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

By:

Date: November 4, 2005 CERTEGY INC.

/S/ LEE A. KENNEDY

Lee A. Kennedy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ MICHAEL T. VOLLKOMMER

Michael T. Vollkommer Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

/s/ PAMELA A. TEFFT

Pamela A. Tefft Senior Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)

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CERTEGY INC. RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES (\$ in thousands, except ratio data)

		Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2005	2004 (2)	2005	2004 (2)	
Earnings:					
Income from continuing operations before income taxes (1)	\$40,567	\$41,674	\$ 115,182	\$ 103,263	
Add:					
Interest expense	3,122	3,259	9,677	9,388	
Other adjustments	1,412	1,182	4,177	3,558	
Total earnings	\$45,101	\$46,115	\$ 129,036	\$ 116,209	
Fixed charges:					
Interest expense	\$ 3,122	\$ 3,259	\$ 9,677	\$ 9,388	
Other adjustments	1,412	1,182	4,177	3,558	
Total fixed charges	\$ 4,534	\$ 4,441	\$ 13,854	\$ 12,946	
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	9.95x	10.38x	9.31x	8.98x	

⁽¹⁾ Income from continuing operations before income taxes includes minority interests and excludes discontinued operations.

For the purposes of calculating the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, fixed charges consist of interest on indebtedness, amortization of deferred financing costs, and an estimated amount of rental expense that is deemed to be representative of the interest factor.

On January 1, 2005, the Company adopted SFAS 123(R), as further described in Notes 2 and 12 to the consolidated financial statements, which requires all share-based payments to employees to be recognized in the income statement based on their fair values. Prior periods were restated to conform to this presentation.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-14(A) OR 15D-14(A) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT

I, Lee A. Kennedy, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Certegy 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 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 third fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
 - 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 the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (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: November 4, 2005

/s/ LEE A. KENNEDY

Lee A. Kennedy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-14(A) OR 15D-14(A) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT

I, Michael T. Vollkommer, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Certegy 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 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 third fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 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 the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (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: November 4, 2005

/s/ MICHAEL T. VOLLKOMMER

Michael T. Vollkommer Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350

The undersigned certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Certegy Inc. (the "Company") for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2005 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 4, 2005 /s/ LEE A. KENNEDY

Lee A. Kennedy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350

The undersigned certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Certegy Inc. (the "Company") for the quarter period ended September 30, 2005 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 4, 2005 /s/ MICHAEL T. VOLLKOMMER

Michael T. Vollkommer Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer