

Vertex Announces Third Quarter 2021 Financial Results

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA – November 10, 2021: Vertex, Inc. (NASDAQ: VERX) ("Vertex" or the "Company"), a global provider of tax technology solutions, today announced financial results for its third quarter ended September 30, 2021.

"The shift to e-commerce has accelerated, becoming a preferred method for consumers and a profitable option for businesses. We are driving our strategy to advance global commerce by increasing the adoption of our cloud-based solutions and making key acquisitions that will position us for future growth," said David DeStefano, Vertex Chief Executive Officer. "This quarter we extended our end-to-end solution platform with advanced capabilities to support the ever-increasing complexity facing today's major omnichannel businesses."

Third Quarter 2021 Financial Results

- Total revenues of \$110.7 million, up 17.0% year-over-year.
- Software subscription revenues of \$92.3 million, up 15.7% year-over-year.
- Cloud revenues of \$33.3 million, up 45.6% year-over-year.
- Annual Recurring Revenue ("ARR") of \$352.9 million, up 15.1% year-over-year. Average Annual Revenue per customer ("AARPC") was \$82,900 at September 30, 2021, compared to \$80,500 at June 30, 2021.
- Net Revenue Retention ("NRR") rate was 106% in the third quarter of 2021, consistent with the second quarter of 2021.
- Loss from operations of \$(3.6) million, compared to a loss from operations of \$(50.0) million for the same period prior year. Non-GAAP operating income of \$18.3 million, compared to \$19.8 million for the same period prior year.
- Net loss of \$(3.9) million, compared to a net loss of \$(21.0) million for the same period prior year.
- Net loss per basic and diluted Class A and Class B share of \$(0.03), compared to \$(0.15) per basic and diluted Class A and Class B share for the same period prior year.
- Non-GAAP net income of \$13.2 million and Non-GAAP diluted EPS of \$0.08.
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$21.4 million, compared to \$22.5 million for the same period prior year. Adjusted EBITDA margin of 19.3%, compared to 23.8% for the same period prior year.
- Over 4,258 customers at September 30, 2021.

Vertex Chief Financial Officer John Schwab said, "The global Vertex team delivered solid performance this quarter with continued growth in annual recurring revenues, including a number of significant expansion opportunities with existing accounts demonstrating our ability to support customers as their businesses grow."

Definitions of certain key business metrics and the non-GAAP financial measures used in this press release and reconciliations of such measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures are included below under the headings "Definitions of Certain Key Business Metrics" and "Use and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures."

Recent Business Highlights

- Acquired LCR-Dixon tools and expertise to extend our end-to-end global tax management solution with optimized tax automation and intelligence solutions for SAP customers.
- Launched the global Vertex Cloud VAT Compliance solution with advanced features to support the changing tax environment across Europe and other countries that require the digitalization of value-added tax ("VAT") and goods and services tax ("GST").
- Expanded partnership with Acumatica with the Vertex Cloud Indirect Tax solution achieving the "Fulfilled by Acumatica" certification designation.

Financial Outlook

For the fourth quarter of 2021, the Company currently expects:

- Revenues in the range of \$108 million to \$110 million, representing growth of 8.5% to 10.6% from the fourth quarter of 2020; and
- Adjusted EBITDA in the range of \$15 million to \$17 million, representing a decrease of \$(2.1) million to \$(4.1) million from the fourth quarter of 2020.

For the full-year 2021, the Company currently expects:

- Revenues in the range of \$422 million to \$424 million, representing growth of 12.6% to 13.2% from the full-year 2020:
- Organic cloud revenue growth in excess of 40% from the full-year 2020; and
- Adjusted EBITDA in the range of \$74 million to \$76 million, representing a decrease of \$(2.4) million to \$(4.4) million from the full-year 2020, reflecting additional spend in research and development, as well as selling and marketing expenses to drive growth.

The Company is unable to reconcile forward-looking Adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss), the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, without unreasonable efforts because the Company is currently unable to predict with a reasonable degree of certainty the type and extent of certain items that would be expected to impact net income (loss) for these periods but would not impact Adjusted EBITDA. Such items may include stock-based compensation expense, depreciation and amortization of capitalized software costs and acquired intangible assets, severance, transaction costs, and other items. The unavailable information could have a significant impact on the Company's net income (loss). The foregoing forward-looking statements reflect the Company's expectations as of today's date. Given the number of risk factors, uncertainties and assumptions discussed below, actual results may differ materially. The Company does not intend to update its financial outlook until its next quarterly results announcement.

Important disclosures in this earnings release about and reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures are provided below under "Use and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures."

Conference Call and Webcast Information

Vertex will release third quarter 2021 earnings before the market opens on November 10, 2021. A conference call to discuss its results will follow at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time that same day.

Those wishing to participate via webcast should access the call through the Company's Investor Relations website at https://ir.vertexinc.com. Those wishing to participate via telephone may dial in at 1-877-407-4018 (USA) or 1-201-689-8471 (International). The conference call replay will be available via webcast through the Company's Investor Relations website. The telephone replay will be available from 11:30 a.m. Eastern Time on November 10, 2021, through November 24, 2021, by dialing 1-844-512-2921 (USA) or 1-412-317-6671 (International). The replay passcode will be 13723896.

About Vertex

Vertex, Inc. is a leading global provider of indirect tax software and solutions. The Company's mission is to deliver the most trusted tax technology enabling global businesses to transact, comply and grow with confidence. Vertex provides cloud-based and on-premise solutions that can be tailored to specific industries for major lines of indirect tax, including sales and consumer use, value added and payroll. Headquartered in North America, and with offices in South America and Europe, Vertex employs over 1,200 professionals and serves companies across the globe. More information can be found at www.vertexinc.com.

Forward Looking Statements

Any statements made in this press release that are not statements of historical fact, including statements about our beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements and should be evaluated as such. Forward-looking statements include information concerning possible or assumed future results of operations, including descriptions of our business plan and strategies. Forward-looking statements are based on Vertex management's beliefs, as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, them. Because such statements are based on expectations as to future financial and operating results and are not statements of fact, actual results may differ materially from those projected. Factors which may cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations include, but are not limited to: potential effects on our business of the COVID-19 pandemic; our ability to attract new customers on a cost-effective basis and the extent to which existing customers renew and upgrade their subscriptions; our ability to sustain and expand revenues, maintain profitability, and to effectively manage our anticipated growth; our ability to identify acquisition targets and to successfully integrate and operate acquired businesses; our ability to maintain and expand our strategic relationships with third parties; and the other factors described under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 as filed with the Securities Exchange Commission ("SEC"), as may be subsequently updated by our other SEC filings. Copies of such filings may be obtained from the Company or the SEC.

All forward-looking statements reflect our beliefs and assumptions only as of the date of this press release. We undertake no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect future events or circumstances.

Definitions of Certain Key Business Metrics

Annual Recurring Revenue ("ARR")

We derive the vast majority of our revenues from recurring software subscriptions. We believe ARR provides us with visibility to our projected software subscription revenues in order to evaluate the health of our business. Because we recognize subscription revenues ratably, we believe investors can use ARR to measure our expansion of existing customer revenues, new customer activity, and as an indicator of future software subscription revenues. ARR is based on monthly recurring revenues ("MRR") from software subscriptions for the most recent month at period end, multiplied by twelve. MRR is calculated by dividing the software subscription price, inclusive of discounts, by the number of subscription covered months. MRR only includes customers with MRR at the end of the last month of the measurement period. AARPC represents average annual revenue per customer and is calculated by dividing ARR by the number of software subscription customers at the end of the respective period.

Net Revenue Retention Rate ("NRR")

We believe that our NRR provides insight into our ability to retain and grow revenues from our customers, as well as their potential long-term value to us. We also believe it demonstrates to investors our ability to expand existing customer revenues, which is one of our key growth strategies. Our NRR refers to the ARR expansion during the 12 months of a reporting period for all customers who were part of our customer base at the beginning of the reporting period. Our NRR calculation takes into account any revenues lost from departing customers or customers who have downgraded or reduced usage, as well as any revenue expansion from migrations, new licenses for additional products or contractual and usage-based price changes.

Use and Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to our results determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. ("GAAP"), we have calculated non-GAAP cost of revenues, non-GAAP gross profit, non-GAAP gross margin, non-GAAP research and development expense, non-GAAP selling and marketing expense, non-GAAP general and administrative expense, non-GAAP operating income, non-GAAP net income, non-GAAP diluted EPS, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA margin, free cash flow and free cash flow margin, which are each non-GAAP financial measures. We have provided tabular reconciliations of each of these non-GAAP financial measures to its most directly comparable GAAP financial measure.

Management uses these non-GAAP financial measures to understand and compare operating results across accounting periods, for internal budgeting and forecasting purposes, and to evaluate financial performance and liquidity. Our non-GAAP financial measures are presented as supplemental disclosure as we believe they provide useful information to investors and others in understanding and evaluating our results, prospects, and liquidity period-over-period without the

impact of certain items that do not directly correlate to our operating performance and that may vary significantly from period to period for reasons unrelated to our operating performance, as well as comparing our financial results to those of other companies. Our definitions of these non-GAAP financial measures may differ from similarly titled measures presented by other companies and therefore comparability may be limited. In addition, other companies may not publish these or similar metrics. Thus, our non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in addition to, not as a substitute for, or in isolation from, the financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP, and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 and in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2021 to be filed with the SEC.

We calculate these non-GAAP financial measures as follows:

- Non-GAAP cost of revenues, software subscriptions is determined by adding back to GAAP cost of revenues, software subscriptions, the stock-based compensation expense, and depreciation and amortization of capitalized software and acquired intangible assets included in cost of subscription revenues for the respective periods.
- Non-GAAP cost of revenues, services is determined by adding back to GAAP cost of revenues, services, the stock-based compensation expense included in cost of revenues, services for the respective periods.
- Non-GAAP gross profit is determined by adding back to GAAP gross profit the stock-based compensation
 expense, and depreciation and amortization of capitalized software and acquired intangible assets included in cost
 of subscription revenues for the respective periods.
- Non-GAAP gross margin is determined by dividing non-GAAP gross profit by total revenues for the respective periods.
- Non-GAAP research and development expense is determined by adding back to GAAP research and development
 expense the stock-based compensation expense included in research and development expense for the respective
 periods.
- Non-GAAP selling and marketing expense is determined by adding back to GAAP selling and marketing expense
 the stock-based compensation expense and the amortization of acquired intangible assets included in selling and
 marketing expense for the respective periods.
- Non-GAAP general and administrative expense is determined by adding back to GAAP general and
 administrative expense the stock-based compensation expense and severance expense included in general and
 administrative expense for the respective periods.
- Non-GAAP operating income is determined by adding back to GAAP income or loss from operations the stock-based compensation expense, depreciation and amortization of capitalized software and acquired intangible assets cost of subscription revenues, amortization of acquired intangible assets selling and marketing expense, severance expense and transaction costs included in GAAP income or loss from operations for the respective periods.
- Non-GAAP net income is determined by adding back to GAAP net income or loss the income tax benefit or expense, stock-based compensation expense, depreciation and amortization of capitalized software and acquired intangible assets cost of subscription revenues, amortization of acquired intangible assets selling and marketing expense, severance expense and transaction costs included in GAAP net income or loss for the respective periods to determine non-GAAP income before income taxes. Non-GAAP income before income taxes is then adjusted for income taxes calculated using the respective statutory tax rates for applicable jurisdictions, which for purposes of this determination were assumed to be 25.5%.
- Non-GAAP net income per diluted share of Class A and Class B common stock ("Non-GAAP diluted EPS") is
 determined by dividing non-GAAP net income by the weighted average shares outstanding of all classes of
 common stock, inclusive of the impact of dilutive common stock equivalents to purchase such common stock,
 including stock options, restricted stock awards, restricted stock units and employee stock purchase plan shares.
- Adjusted EBITDA is determined by adding back to GAAP net income or loss the net interest income or expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization of property and equipment, depreciation and amortization of capitalized software and acquired intangible assets cost of subscription revenues, amortization of acquired intangible assets selling and marketing expense, asset impairments, stock-based compensation expense, severance expense and transaction costs included in GAAP net income or loss for the respective periods.

- Adjusted EBITDA margin is determined by dividing Adjusted EBITDA by total revenues for the respective periods.
- Free cash flow is determined by adjusting net cash provided by (used in) operating activities by adding back cash used for the converted stock appreciation rights redeemed in connection with the initial public offering, and reducing it for purchases of property and equipment and capitalized software additions for the respective periods.
- Free cash flow margin is determined by dividing free cash flow by total revenues for the respective periods.

We encourage investors and others to review our financial information in its entirety, not to rely on any single financial measure and to view these non-GAAP financial measures in conjunction with the related GAAP financial measures.

Vertex, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)	September 30, 2021		Dec	December 31, 2020	
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	47,481	\$	303,051	
Funds held for customers		27,860		9,222	
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$8,845, and \$8,592, respectively		73,234		77,159	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		18,167		13,259	
Total current assets		166,742		402,691	
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation		97,869		56,557	
Capitalized software, net of accumulated amortization		34,018		31,989	
Goodwill and other intangible assets		277,924		18,711	
Deferred commissions		12,583		11,743	
Deferred income tax asset		32,816		29,974	
Operating lease right-of-use assets		21,137			
Other assets		2,755		3,263	
Total assets	\$	645,844	\$	554,928	
Liabilities and stockholders' equity					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	10,701	\$	8,876	
Accrued expenses		23,467		19,176	
Distributions payable				2,700	
Customer funds obligations		27,979		9,235	
Accrued salaries and benefits		26,472		17,326	
Accrued and deferred compensation, current		23,101		24,429	
Deferred revenue		211,036		207,560	
Current portion of long-term debt				882	
Current portion of operating lease liabilities		2,480		_	
Current portion of finance lease liabilities		276			
Deferred rent and other		_		939	
Deferred purchase consideration, current		19,705			
Purchase commitment and contingent consideration liabilities, current		478		845	
Total current liabilities		345,695		291,968	
Deferred compensation, net of current portion		2,786		5,010	
Deferred revenue, net of current portion		11,544		14,702	
Debt, net of current portion		_		225	
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion		26,707			
Finance lease liabilities, net of current portion		334		_	
Deferred purchase consideration, net of current portion		19,319			
Purchase commitment and contingent consideration liabilities, net of current portion		11,049		8,905	
Deferred other liabilities		4,199		8,632	
Total liabilities		421,633		329,442	
Stockholders' equity:					
Preferred shares, \$0.001 par value, 30,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding		_		_	
Class A common stock, \$0.001 par value, 300,000 shares authorized; 40,574 and 26,327 shares					
issued and outstanding, respectively		41		26	
Class B common stock, \$0.001 par value, 150,000 shares authorized; 108,017 and 120,117					
shares issued and outstanding, respectively		108		120	
Additional paid in capital		215,647		206,541	
Retained earnings		21,582		21,926	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(13,167)		(3,127)	
Total stockholders' equity		224,211		225,486	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	645,844	\$	554,928	

Vertex, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss (Unaudited)

		nths Ended aber 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,		
(In thousands, except per share data)	2021	2020	2021	2020	
Revenues:					
Software subscriptions	\$ 92,276	\$ 79,778	\$ 265,160	\$ 232,844	
Services	18,442	14,827	48,732	42,277	
Total revenues	110,718	94,605	313,892	275,121	
Cost of revenues:					
Software subscriptions	32,000	29,161	84,419	79,846	
Services	11,938	18,807	33,831	49,329	
Total cost of revenues	43,938	47,968	118,250	129,175	
Gross profit	66,780	46,637	195,642	145,946	
Operating expenses:					
Research and development	9,879	16,501	33,264	43,197	
Selling and marketing	25,658	29,423	70,673	78,300	
General and administrative	31,237	48,043	80,954	123,437	
Depreciation and amortization	3,082	2,735	8,787	8,109	
Other operating expense (income), net	538	(60)	4,892	154	
Total operating expenses	70,394	96,642	198,570	253,197	
Loss from operations	(3,614)	(50,005)	(2,928)	(107,251)	
Interest expense, net	521	1,796	671	3,424	
Loss before income taxes	(4,135)	(51,801)	(3,599)	(110,675)	
Income tax benefit	(187)	(30,773)	(2,747)	(31,508)	
Net loss	(3,948)	(21,028)	(852)	(79,167)	
Other comprehensive loss from foreign currency translation adjustments					
and revaluations, net of tax	5,704	238	10,040	3,512	
Total comprehensive loss	\$ (9,652)	\$ (21,266)	\$ (10,892)	\$ (82,679)	
Net loss attributable to Class A stockholders	\$ (1,070)	\$ (2,751)	\$ (195)	\$ (2,427)	
Net loss per Class A share, basic	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.15)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.40)	
Weighted average Class A common stock, basic	40,141	18,124	33,775	6,129	
Net loss attributable to Class A stockholders, diluted	\$ (1,070)	\$ (2,751)	\$ (195)	\$ (2,427)	
Net loss per Class A share, diluted	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.15)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.40)	
Weighted average Class A common stock, diluted	40,141	18,124	33,775	6,129	
Net loss attributable to Class B stockholders	\$ (2,878)	\$ (18,277)	\$ (657)	\$ (76,740)	
Net loss per Class B share, basic	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.15)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.64)	
Weighted average Class B common stock, basic	108,017	120,417	113,646	120,417	
Net loss attributable to Class B stockholders, diluted	\$ (2,878)	\$ (18,277)	\$ (657)	\$ (76,740)	
Net loss per Class B share, diluted	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.15)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.64)	
Weighted average Class B common stock, diluted	108,017	120,417	113,646	120,417	

Vertex, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

(Unaudited)				
	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(In thousands)	Septen	nber	30, 2020	
Cash flows from operating activities:	2021	_	2020	
Net loss	\$ (852)	\$	(79,167)	
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:	ψ (032)	Ψ	(75,107)	
Depreciation and amortization	31,902		23,586	
Provision for subscription cancellations and non-renewals, net of deferred allowance	423		52	
Amortization of deferred financing costs	159		356	
Write-off of deferred financing costs	_		1,351	
Stock-based compensation expense	20,250		140,890	
Deferred income tax benefit	(3,075)		(32,004)	
Redemption of Converted SARs			(22,889)	
Non-cash operating lease costs	2,867		`	
Other	280		86	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable	12,120		4,143	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(3,669)		(4,613)	
Deferred commissions	(840)		824	
Accounts payable	1,529		1,193	
Accrued expenses	(2,445)		1,382	
Accrued and deferred compensation	(679)		(5,399)	
Deferred revenue	(1,971)		(8,251)	
Operating lease liabilities	(3,685)		_	
Other	354		(1,496)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	52,668		20,044	
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired	(251,412)		(12,318)	
Property and equipment additions	(23,899)		(14,982)	
Capitalized software additions	(7,902)		(9,246)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(283,213)		(36,546)	
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Net increase in customer funds obligations	18,744		1,158	
Proceeds from line of credit	_		12,500	
Principal payments on line of credit	_		(12,500)	
Proceeds from long-term debt	_		175,000	
Principal payments on long-term debt	_		(226,029)	
Payments for deferred financing costs, net	_		(2,436)	
Proceeds from purchases of stock under ESPP	1,010		_	
Payments for taxes related to net share settlement of stock-based awards	(12,712)			
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	1,212		6,023	
Distributions to stockholders	(2.700)		(146,084)	
Distributions under Tax Sharing Agreement	(2,700)		422.024	
Proceeds from issuance of shares in connection with Offering	_		423,024	
Payments for offering costs Payments for taxes on exercised options			(6,222) (11,999)	
Payments for purchase commitment liabilities	(10,822)		(11,999)	
Payments on finance lease liabilities	(685)		_	
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(5,953)	_	212,435	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(434)	_		
Net (decrease) increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(236,932)	_	(412) 195,521	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period	312,273		83,495	
		\$	279,016	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$ 75,341	Φ	217,010	
Reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash to the Condensed Consolidated Balance				
Sheets, end of period:	¢ 47.401	¢	270 271	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 47,481	\$	270,271	
Restricted cash—funds held for customers Total each each each each end restricted each and of period	27,860	\$	8,745	
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$ 75,341	3	279,016	

Vertex, Inc. and Subsidiaries Summary of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

(Unaudited)

	Three Mont Septemb		Nine Months Ended September 30,		
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	2021	2020	2021	2020	
Non-GAAP cost of revenues, software subscriptions	\$ 20,595	\$ 17,512	\$ 60,060	\$ 50,495	
Non-GAAP cost of revenues, services	\$ 11,178	\$ 9,577	\$ 31,855	\$ 28,610	
Non-GAAP gross profit	\$ 78,945	\$ 67,516	\$ 221,977	\$ 196,016	
Non-GAAP gross margin	71.3 %	71.4 %	70.7 %	71.2 %	
Non-GAAP research and development expense	\$ 9,003	\$ 10,161	\$ 31,256	\$ 29,197	
Non-GAAP selling and marketing expense	\$ 23,126	\$ 16,474	\$ 65,251	\$ 50,032	
Non-GAAP general and administrative expense ¹	\$ 24,944	\$ 18,410	\$ 66,545	\$ 57,294	
Non-GAAP operating income	\$ 18,273	\$ 19,796	\$ 49,939	\$ 51,230	
Non-GAAP net income ²	\$ 13,225	\$ 13,410	\$ 36,705	\$ 35,615	
Non-GAAP diluted EPS	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.27	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 21,355	\$ 22,531	\$ 58,726	\$ 59,339	
Adjusted EBITDA margin	19.3 %	23.8 %	18.7 %	21.6 %	
Free cash flow	\$ 15,415	\$ 15,778	\$ 20,867	\$ 18,705	
Free cash flow margin	13.9 %	16.7 %	6.6 %	6.8 %	

¹ The nine month period ended September 30, 2021 includes \$150 of transaction costs previously presented as a component of general and administrative expenses that was reclassified to other operating expense, net, in the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive loss.

² 2020 Non-GAAP net income presentation adjusted to conform to 2021 presentation. The presentation was modified in the fourth quarter 2020 to tax effect, at the statutory income tax rate, the related non-GAAP adjustments to GAAP net income or loss. Thus, the income tax benefit for 2020 was removed and a statutory tax rate applied to Non-GAAP income after the non-GAAP adjustments. This reduced Non-GAAP net income by \$8,229 and \$16,565 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2020, respectively.

Vertex, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures (Unaudited)

	Three Mor Septem		Nine Months Ended September 30,		
(Dollars in thousands)	2021	2020	2021	2020	
Non-GAAP Cost of Revenues, Software Subscriptions:	·				
Cost of revenues, software subscriptions	\$ 32,000	\$ 29,161	\$ 84,419	\$ 79,846	
Stock-based compensation expense	(656)	(6,342)	(1,788)	(14,002)	
Depreciation and amortization of capitalized software and acquired					
intangible assets – cost of subscription revenues	(10,749)	(5,307)	(22,571)	(15,349)	
Non-GAAP cost of revenues, software subscriptions	\$ 20,595	\$ 17,512	\$ 60,060	\$ 50,495	
Non-GAAP Cost of Revenues, Services:					
Cost of revenues, services	\$ 11,938	\$ 18,807	\$ 33,831	\$ 49,329	
Stock-based compensation expense	(760)	(9,230)	(1,976)	(20,719)	
Non-GAAP cost of revenues, services	\$ 11,178	\$ 9,577	\$ 31,855	\$ 28,610	
Non-GAAP Gross Profit:					
Gross profit	\$ 66,780	\$ 46,637	\$ 195,642	\$ 145,946	
Stock-based compensation expense	1,416	15,572	3,764	34,721	
Depreciation and amortization of capitalized software and acquired	1,.10	10,072	2,70.	5.,,21	
intangible assets - cost of subscription revenues	10,749	5,307	22,571	15,349	
Non-GAAP gross profit	\$ 78,945	\$ 67,516	\$ 221,977	\$ 196,016	
Non-GAAP Gross Margin:					
Total revenues	\$ 110,718	\$ 94,605	\$ 313,892	\$ 275,121	
Non-GAAP gross margin	71.3 %			71.2 %	
Non-OAAI gross margin	71.5 70	71.4 70	70.7	71.2 70	
Non-GAAP Research and Development Expense:					
Research and development expense	\$ 9,879	\$ 16,501	\$ 33,264	\$ 43,197	
Stock-based compensation expense	(876)	(6,340)	(2,008)	(14,000)	
Non-GAAP research and development expense	\$ 9,003	\$ 10,161	\$ 31,256	\$ 29,197	
Non-GAAP Selling and Marketing Expense:					
Selling and marketing expense	\$ 25,658	\$ 29,423	\$ 70,673	\$ 78,300	
Stock-based compensation expense	(2,157)	(12,821)	(4,877)	(28,140)	
Amortization of acquired intangible assets – selling and marketing expense	(375)	(128)	(545)	(128)	
Non-GAAP selling and marketing expense	\$ 23,126	\$ 16,474	\$ 65,251	\$ 50,032	
Non-GAAP General and Administrative Expense ¹ :					
General and administrative expense	\$ 31,237	\$ 48,043	\$ 80,954	\$ 123,437	
Stock-based compensation expense	(2,973)	(29,561)	(9,601)	(64,029)	
Severance expense	(3,320)	(72)	(4,808)	(2,114)	
Non-GAAP general and administrative expense	\$ 24,944	\$ 18,410	\$ 66,545	\$ 57,294	
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¹The nine month period ended September 30, 2021 includes \$150 of transaction costs previously presented as a component of general and administrative expenses that was reclassified to other operating expense, net, in the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive loss.

Vertex, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures (continued) (Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data) 2021 2020 2021 2020 Non-GAAP Operating Income: Loss from operations \$ (3,614) \$ (50,005) \$ (2,928) \$ (107,251) Stock-based compensation expense 7,422 64,294 20,250 140,890 Depreciation and amortization of capitalized software and acquired intangible assets - cost of subscription revenues 10,749 5,307 22,571 15,349 Amortization of acquired intangible assets - selling and marketing expense 375 128 545 128 Severance expense 3,320 72 4,808 2,114
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Non-GAAP Net Income:
Net loss \$ (3,948) \$ (21,028) \$ (852) \$ (79,167)
Income tax benefit (187) $(30,773)^1$ $(2,747)$ $(31,508)^1$
Stock-based compensation expense 7,422 64,294 20,250 140,890
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Transaction costs 21 — 4,693 —
Non-GAAP income before income taxes 17,752 18,000 49,268 47,806
Income tax adjustment at statutory rate $(4,527)$ $(4,590)^1$ $(12,563)$ $(12,191)^1$
Non-GAAP net income \$ 13,225 \$ 13,410 \(\) \$ 36,705 \$ 35,615 \(\)
Non-GAAP Diluted EPS:
Non-GAAP net income \$ 13,225 \$ 13,410 \$ 36,705 \$ 35,615
Weighted average Class A and B common stock, diluted 157,402 148,249 157,679 132,200
Non-GAAP diluted EPS \$ 0.08 \$ 0.09 \$ 0.23 \$ 0.27

¹2020 Non-GAAP net income presentation adjusted to conform to 2021 presentation. The presentation was modified in the fourth quarter 2020 to tax effect, at the statutory income tax rate, the related non-GAAP adjustments to GAAP net income or loss. Thus, the income tax benefit for 2020 was removed and a statutory tax rate applied to Non-GAAP income after the non-GAAP adjustments. This reduced Non-GAAP net income by \$8,229 and \$16,565 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2020, respectively.

Vertex, Inc. and Subsidiaries Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures (continued) (Unaudited)

		Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Mon Septem		
(Dollars in thousands)		2021		2020	2021			2020
Adjusted EBITDA:								
Net loss	\$	(3,948)	\$	(21,028)	\$	(852)	\$	(79,167)
Interest expense, net		521		1,796		671		3,424
Income tax benefit		(187)		(30,773)		(2,747)		(31,508)
Depreciation and amortization - property and equipment		3,082		2,735		8,787		8,109
Depreciation and amortization of capitalized software and								
acquired intangible assets - cost of subscription revenues		10,749		5,307		22,571		15,349
Amortization of acquired intangible assets - selling and marketing								
expense		375		128		545		128
Stock-based compensation expense		7,422		64,294		20,250		140,890
Severance expense		3,320		72		4,808		2,114
Transaction costs		21		<u> </u>		4,693		<u> </u>
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	21,355	\$	22,531	\$	58,726	\$	59,339
Adjusted EBITDA Margin:								
Total revenues	\$	110,718	\$	94,605	\$	313,892	\$	275,121
Adjusted EBITDA margin	<u> </u>	19.3 %	<u> </u>	23.8 %	<u> </u>	18.7 %	<u> </u>	21.6 %
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Free Cash Flow:								
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	26,203	\$	(712)	\$	52,668	\$	20,044
Property and equipment additions		(8,011)		(4,417)		(23,899)		(14,982)
Capitalized software additions		(2,777)		(1,982)		(7,902)		(9,246)
Redemption of Converted SARs				22,889		<u> </u>		22,889
Free cash flow	\$	15,415	\$	15,778	\$	20,867	\$	18,705
Free Cash Flow Margin:								
Total revenues	Ф	110,718	\$	04 605	\$	212 902	Ф	275 121
	\$		-	94,605	Ψ	313,892	Ф	275,121
Free cash flow margin		13.9 %	·	16.7 %		6.6 %		6.8 %

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