WASTE MANAGEMENT INC

Form 4

January 26, 2007

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Aardsma David A

Symbol

WASTE MANAGEMENT INC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

[WMI]

(Last)

4000

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2007

1001 FANNIN STREET, SUITE

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

> _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Sr. VP, Sales and Marketing

below)

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

10% Owner Other (specify

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Estimated average

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Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative Derivative Conversion

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ear)	(Instr. 3 and 4	4)
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 0	01/25/2007		A	2.5385	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock	2.5385

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Aardsma David A 1001 FANNIN STREET, SUITE 4000 HOUSTON, TX 77002

Sr. VP, Sales and Marketing

Signatures

Linda J. Smith, attorney-in-fact

01/26/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Phantom stock units accrued under the Waste Management, Inc. Retirement Savings Restoration Plan, a supplemental retirement savings plan. A phantom stock unit is equivalent to one share of Common Stock.
- Participant's Company stock fund account on any given date may not exactly equal the number of share equivalents represented by a prior balance plus additions due to variables affecting the determination of Company stock fund unit values under the Plan on any such date.

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Reporting Owners 2

Consolidating Balance Sheet (Unaudited)

June 30, 2015

	WMG Acquisi	tion	Non-		WMG Acquisitio	WMG onHolding	Warner gsMusic	r	Warner Music Group
	Corp. (issuer) (in milli				Corp. on C onsolida	Corp. ate(dssuer)	Group Corp.	Elimina	Corp. tio 6 sonsolidate
Assets:									
Current assets:									
Cash and equivalents	\$ —	\$ 24	\$ 144	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 168	\$ —	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ —	\$ 168
Accounts receivable, net		156	187		343		_		343
Inventories	_	14	25		39	_	_		39
Royalty advances									
expected to be recouped	_	69	50		119	_	_	_	119
within one year									
Deferred tax assets	_	21	25	_	46	_	_	_	46
Prepaid and other	_								
current assets	5	11	42		58	_	_	_	58
Total current assets	5	295	473		773	_	_	_	773
Due (to) from parent					,,,				,,,,
companies	897	(340)	(557) —			_		_
Investments in and									
advances to (from)	2,353	1,218		(3,571) _	404	254	(658) _
consolidated subsidiaries		1,210		(3,371	, —	707	237	(030	, —
Royalty advances									
expected to be recouped		126	93		219				219
_	_	120	93		219	_	_	_	219
after one year									
Property, plant and	_	149	78	_	227				227
equipment, net		1.070	254		1.600				1.622
Goodwill	_	1,379	254	<u>—</u>	1,633	_	_	_	1,633
Intangible assets subject	_	1,294	1,303		2,597	_	_	_	2,597
to amortization, net		, -	,		,				,
Intangible assets not	_	71	49		120	_	_	_	120
subject to amortization									
Other assets	41	33	16	_	90	5			95
Total assets	\$3,296	\$ 4,225	\$ 1,709	\$ (3,571) \$ 5,659	\$ 409	\$ 254	\$ (658) \$ 5,664
Liabilities and Deficit:									
Current liabilities:									
Accounts payable	\$—	\$ 73	\$ 78	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 151	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ —	\$ 151
Accrued royalties	_	476	635		1,111	_	_	_	1,111
Accrued liabilities	_	82	153	_	235	_	_	_	235
Accrued interest	43	_			43	5			48
Deferred revenue	_	180	67	_	247	_	_	_	247
Current portion of	12				12				12
long-term debt	13				13				13
Other current liabilities	_	1	18	_	19	_	_	_	19

Total current liabilities	56	812	951		1,819	5			1,824
Long-term debt	2,833	_	_	_	2,833	150	_	_	2,983
Deferred tax liabilities, net		128	217	_	345	_	_		345
Other noncurrent liabilities	3	116	118	2	239	_	_	_	239
Total liabilities	2,892	1,056	1,286	2	5,236	155			5,391
Total Warner Music Group Corp. equity (deficit)	404	3,167	406	(3,573)	404	254	254	(658) 254
Noncontrolling interest		2	17		19				19
Total equity (deficit)	404	3,169	423	(3,573)	423	254	254	(658) 273
Total liabilities and equity (deficit)	\$3,296	\$ 4,225	\$ 1,709	\$ (3,571)	\$ 5,659	\$ 409	\$ 254	\$ (658) \$ 5,664

Consolidating Balance Sheet

September 30, 2014

	WMG				WMG	WMG	Warner	•	Warner
	Acquisi	tion	Non-		Acquisition	onHolding	gMusic		Music
	~	~	~		~	~	~		Group
	Corp.		r Guaranto		Corp.	Corp.	Group	Elimino	Corp. tio © onsolidate
	(in milli		168 uUSIUIA	i i ca ziiiiiiiatio		iidussuei)	Corp.	Ellillilla	HOMSOHSOHUALC
Assets:	(,							
Current assets:									
Cash and equivalents	\$	\$ 26	\$ 131	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ 157	\$ —	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ —	\$ 157
Accounts receivable, net	—	174	209		383				383
Inventories	_	13	26		39	_	_		39
Royalty advances									
expected to be recouped		62	40		102				102
within one year									
Deferred tax assets	_	21	25	_	46	_	_		46
Prepaid and other	_	10	40		<i></i>				5.5
current assets	5	10	40		55				55
Total current assets	5	306	471	_	782	_	_		782
Due (to) from parent	024	(2.42	(692	`					
companies	924	(242) (682) —					_
Investments in and									
advances to (from)	2,531	1,142	_	(3,673) —	525	371	(896) —
consolidated subsidiaries								Ì	
Royalty advances									
expected to be recouped		115	75		190				190
after one year									
Property, plant and		1.10	0.4		225				225
equipment, net	_	143	84		227	_	_		227
Goodwill	_	1,379	282	<u>—</u>	1,661	_	_		1,661
Intangible assets subject									
to amortization, net		1,372	1,512	_	2,884		_		2,884
Intangible assets not					400				100
subject to amortization		75	45		120				120
Other assets	46	10	28		84	6	_	_	90
Total assets		\$ 4,300	\$ 1,815	\$ (3,673) \$ 5,948	\$ 531	\$ 371	\$ (896) \$ 5,954
Liabilities and Deficit:	, - ,	, ,=	, ,	. (-)	, , - ,			, (223	, , , , , , , ,
Current liabilities:									
Accounts payable	\$38	\$ 91	\$ 86	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 215	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ —	\$ 215
Accrued royalties	Ψ <i>5</i> 0	531	601	_	1,132	-			1,132
Accrued liabilities		64	179	_	243				243
Accrued interest	50	_	_	_	50	10	_	<u> </u>	60
Deferred revenue									
		167	52		219				219
Current portion of	_	167	52	-	219	—		_	219
Current portion of long-term debt	13	167 —	52	_ _	219 13	_	_	_	13

Total current liabilities	101	854	920		1,875	10			1,885
Long-term debt	2,867		_	_	2,867	150		_	3,017
Deferred tax liabilities, net	_	128	255	_	383	_	_	_	383
Other noncurrent liabilities	13	124	142	_	279	_	_	_	279
Total liabilities	2,981	1,106	1,317	_	5,404	160			5,564
Total Warner Music Group Corp. equity (deficit)	525	3,192	481	(3,673)	525	371	371	(896) 371
Noncontrolling interest		2	17		19				19
Total equity (deficit)	525	3,194	498	(3,673)	544	371	371	(896) 390
Total liabilities and equity (deficit)	\$3,506	\$ 4,300	\$ 1,815	\$ (3,673)	\$ 5,948	\$ 531	\$ 371	\$ (896) \$ 5,954

Consolidating Statement of Operations (Unaudited)

For The Three Months Ended June 30, 2015

	WMG Acqui		,	Non-				WMG Acquisi	tioı	WMG Holdii		Warner Music		Warner Music	
	(issue	Guaran r)Subsidi				E limina		Corp.		Corp. ∉ä ssue		Group Corp.	Elimina	Group Corp. ati ©ns nsoli	dateo
		llions)		*		*		+ -						* = 4.0	
Revenues	\$ —	\$ 419		\$ 428		\$ (137)	\$ 710		\$ —		\$ <i>—</i>	\$ —	\$ 710	
Costs and expenses:															
Cost of revenue		(208)	(208)	43		(373)	_			_	(373)
Selling, general and															
administrative expenses		(215)	(130)	94		(251)	_		_	_	(251)
Amortization of intangible															
assets	—	(31)	(32)			(63)	_		_		(63)
Total costs and expenses		(454)	(370)	137		(687)	_				(687)
Operating (loss) income		(35)	58				23		_				23	
Interest income (expense), net	(22)	1		(19)			(40)	(5)			(45)
Equity gains (losses) from															
equity method investments	(9)	(52)			61		_		(39)	(44)	83	_	
Other income (expense), net	(4)			(13)			(17)			_		(17)
Income (loss) before income															
taxes	(35)	(86)	26		61		(34)	(44)	(44)	83	(39)
Income tax benefit (expense)	(4)	(9)	2		7		(4)	_		_	_	(4)
Net income (loss)	(39)	(95)	28		68		(38)	(44)	(44)	83	(43)
Less: income attributable to	Ì	Ì						,		Ì	ĺ	Ì		,	
noncontrolling interest		(1)			_		(1)			_	_	(1)
Net income (loss) attributable		·						`						·	
to Warner Music Group Corp.	\$(39)	\$ (96) :	\$ 28		\$ 68		\$ (39)	\$ (44)	\$ (44)	\$ 83	\$ (44)

Consolidating Statement of Operations (Unaudited)

For The Three Months Ended June 30, 2014

	WMG Acquis	ition		Non-				WMG Acquisi		WMG Holding	Warner s Music		Warner Music	
	Corp. (issuer) (in mill	Guaran Subsidi				Eslimina		Corp. Bonsoli		Corp.	Group Corp.	Elimina	Group Corp. tio ns olic	date
Revenues	\$—	\$ 408		\$ 534	9	\$ (154) 5	788		\$—	\$—	\$ —	\$ 788	
Costs and expenses:	•	,				. (-					·	·	,	
Cost of revenue	_	(188)	(280)	51		(417)				(417)
Selling, general and administrative expenses		(267)	(155)	103		(319)	_		_	(319)
Amortization of intangible		(= -	,	(,			((0.2)	
assets	_	(30)	(37)			(67)	_	_	_	(67)
Total costs and expenses	_	(485)	(472)	154		(803)				(803)
Operating income (loss)	_	(77)	62				(15)	_	_	_	(15	Ó
Loss on extinguishment of		· ·												
debt	(141)	_						(141)				(141)
Interest income (expense),													· ·	
net	(23)	2		(22)			(43)	(5)) —		(48)
Equity gains (losses) from equity method investments	(32)	31		_	Í	1			ĺ	(180)	(185)	365		
Other income (expense),														
net	_	1		3				4			—	—	4	
Income (loss) before														
income taxes	(196)	(43)	43		1		(195)	(185)	(185)	365	(200)
Income tax benefit														
(expense)	16	2		22		(24)	16		_	_	_	16	
Net income (loss)	(180)	(41)	65		(23)	(179)	(185)	(185)	365	(184)
Less: income attributable to														
noncontrolling interest	_	(1)	—		—		(1)	—	—		(1)
Net income (loss)														
attributable to Warner	\$ (190)	\$ (42	` `	\$ 65		¢ (22	\ ((100	`	¢ (105)	¢ (105)	¢ 265	¢ (105	
Music Group Corp.	\$(180)	φ (4Z) '	D OS		\$ (23)]	0 (100)	ф (19 3 -)	\$(185)	φ 303	\$ (185)

Consolidating Statement of Operations (Unaudited)

	WMG Acqui			Non-				WMG Acquisiti				Warner Music			Warner Music Group	
		Guaranto Subsidia: Ilions)				Elimina		Corp. G onsolid		Corp. (lissuer)		Group Corp.	Elim	inati	Corp.	datec
Revenues	\$	\$ 1,195		\$ 1,238		\$ (217)	\$ 2,216		\$ —	9	5 —	\$ —		\$ 2,216	
Costs and expenses:																
Cost of revenue		(578)	(671)	113		(1,136)			_	_		(1,136	
Selling, general and																
administrative expenses	1	(477)	(427)	104		(799)	_		_	_		(799)
Amortization of																
intangible assets	_	(91)	(100)	_		(191)	_		_	_		(191)
Total costs and expenses	1	(1,146)	(1,198)	217		(2,126)	_		_			(2,126)
Operating (loss) income	1	49		40		_		90		_		_	_		90	
Interest income																
(expense), net	(62)	5		(63)	—		(120)	(16))	_	_		(136)
Equity gains (losses) from equity method																
investments	26	(63)			38		1		(52))	(68)	12	0	1	
Other income (expense),		,														
net	(10)			(3)			(13)			_	_		(13)
Income (loss) before																
income taxes	(45)	(9)	(26)	38		(42)	(68))	(68)	12	0	(58)
Income tax benefit																
(expense)	(7)	(14)	1		13		(7)	_		_	_		(7)
Net income (loss)	(52)	(23)	(25)	51		(49)	(68))	(68)	12	0	(65)
Less: income attributable																
to noncontrolling interest	_	(1)	(2)	_		(3)	_		_	_		(3)
Net income (loss) attributable to Warner	Φ (50)	Φ.(2.4	`	Φ (25		Φ = 1		Φ. (52		.	4	h (60)	Φ 10	0	Φ./	
Music Group Corp.	\$(52)	\$ (24)	\$ (27) :	\$ 51		\$ (52)	\$ (68)) \$	(68)	\$ 120	0	\$ (68)

Consolidating Statement of Operations (Unaudited)

	WMG Acquist Corp. (issuer)	ition Guaranto Subsidia	or			Elimina		WMG Acquisiti Corp.	on	Corp.	Group	Elimin	Warner Music Group Corp. ati ©o nsolid	ateo
	(in mill	ions)									•			
Revenues	\$ —	\$ 1,115		\$ 1,377		\$ (236)	\$ 2,256		\$ <i>—</i>	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,256	
Costs and expenses:														
Cost of revenue		(479)	(823)	125		(1,177)	_	_		(1,177)
Selling, general and														
administrative expenses		(503)	(493)	111		(885)				(885)
Amortization of														
intangible assets		(90)	(109)	—		(199)	—	—		(199)
Total costs and														
expenses		(1,072)	(1,425)	236		(2,261)				(2,261)
Operating income (loss)		43		(48)			(5)				(5)
Loss on extinguishment														
of debt	(141)							(141)				(141)
Interest income														
(expense), net	(82)	6		(65)	_		(141)	(16)	_	_	(157)
Equity gains (losses)														
from equity method														
investments	(85)	17		_		68		_		(266)	(282)	548		
Other income	`													
(expense), net	15	(18)	_		_		(3)	_		_	(3)
Income (loss) before		`						,					·	
income taxes	(293)	48		(113)	68		(290)	(282)	(282)	548	(306)
Income tax benefit														
(expense)	27	(6)	32		(26)	27		_		_	27	
Net income (loss)	(266)	42		(81)	42		(263)	(282)	(282)	548	(279)
Less: income														
attributable to														
noncontrolling interest	_	(1)	(2)	_		(3)	_	_	_	(3)
Net income (loss) attributable to Warner		Ì		·				·					·	
Music Group Corp.	\$(266)	\$41		\$ (83)	\$ 42		\$ (266) :	\$ (282)	\$(282)	\$ 548	\$ (282)
	' (/									,	' \		, ,	

Consolidating Statement of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

For The Three Months Ended June 30, 2015

	WMG	r				,	WMG		WMG	j	Warn	er		7	Warne	r
	Acqui	sition	N	on-			Acquis	itio	Holdi	ngsl	Musi	c		1	Music	
														(Group	
	Corp.	Guarar	ntorG	luarai	ntor	(Corp.		Corp.	(Grou	p		(Corp.	
	•	r)Subsid llions)	iari S	ubsid	iar Fek imin	atio	fio nsol	lida	didsue	r) (Corp	. I	Elimin	atio	Consol	idated
Net (loss) income	\$(39)	\$ (95) \$	28	\$ 68	(\$ (38)	\$ (44) \$	(44) \$	\$ 83	9	\$ (43)
Other comprehensive income																
(loss), net of tax:																
Foreign currency adjustment	41	_		41	(41)	41		41		41		(82)	41	
Other comprehensive income																
(loss), net of tax:	41			41	(41)	41		41		41		(82)	41	
Total comprehensive (loss)																
income	2	(95)	69	27		3		(3)	(3)	1		(2)
Less: income attributable to																
noncontrolling interest	_	(1)	_	_		(1)	_		—		_		(1)
Comprehensive (loss) income																
attributable to Warner Music																
Group																
Corp.	\$2	\$ (96) \$	69	\$ 27		\$ 2		\$ (3) \$	\$ (3) \$	\$ 1	9	\$ (3)

Consolidating Statement of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

For The Three Months Ended June 30, 2014

	WMG						7	WMG		WMG		Warner			•	Warner	
	Acquisi	tion	N	on-			1	Acquisi	tio	nHoldin	ıgs	Music]	Music	
															(Group	
	Corp.	Guarar	itorG	uarar	itor		(Corp.		Corp.		Group			(Corp.	
	(issuer) (in mill		iari s :	ubsid	iar Fels i	mina	atio	nsoli	dat	¢i ksuer	.)	Corp.	Е	limina	atio	asonsoli	dated
Net (loss) income	\$(180)	\$ (41) \$	65	\$ (23) 5	\$ (179)	\$ (185)	\$(185)	\$	365	9	\$ (184)
Other comprehensive income																	
(loss), net of tax:																	
Foreign currency adjustment	4	_		4	(4)	4		4		4		(8)	4	
Other comprehensive income																	
(loss), net of tax:	4	_		4	(4)	4		4		4		(8)	4	
Total comprehensive (loss)																	
income	(176)	(41)	69	(27)	(175)	(181)	(181))	357		(180)
Less: income attributable to																	
noncontrolling interest	—	(1)		_	_		(1)					—		(1)
Comprehensive (loss) income																	
attributable to Warner Music																	
Group																	
Corp.	\$(176)	\$ (42) \$	69	\$ (27) 5	\$ (176)	\$ (181)	\$(181)	\$	357	(\$ (181)

Consolidating Statement of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

	WMG Acquis	itio	n		Non-			WM Acqu		WM0 onHoldi		Warn s Music			Warner Music	
	Corp. (issuer)	Su	ıbsid		Guarai Su bsid		Eslimina	Corp tio ©s ns		Corp.		Group Corp.		Elimina	Group Corp. atio Go nsoli	idate
Net (loss) income	\$(52))	\$ (25) 5	\$ 51	\$ (49)	\$ (68)	\$(68)	\$ 120	\$ (65)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:	` ′							, (,							
Foreign currency adjustment	(49)		_		(49)	49	(49)	(49)	(49)	98	(49)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:	(49)		_		(49)	49	(49))	(49)	(49)	98	(49)
Total comprehensive (loss) income	(101)		(23)	(74)	100	(98	3)	(11)	7)	(117	")	218	(114)
Less: income attributable to noncontrolling interest	_		(1)	(2)		(3)					_	(3)
Comprehensive (loss) income attributable to Warner Music Group					·			·	·						·	
Corp.	\$(101)	\$	(24)	\$ (76) 5	\$ 100	\$ (10)1)	\$ (11	7)	\$(117	')	\$ 218	\$ (117)

Consolidating Statement of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

	WMC	ì						WMC	3	Warner						
	Acqui	sitio	on	N	lon-			Acqu	isitio	n H oldir	ıgs	Music	2		Music	
											Group			Group		
	Corp.	o. Guaranto Guarantor er) Subsidiar Sas bsidiari Estimina				Corp.							Corp.			
	(issue (in mi	-		liar S	us bsid	iari₽	simin	ati ©os ns	olida	t ¢i ksuei	:)	Corp.		Elimina	tio © onsoli	date
Net (loss) income	\$(266) \$	42	\$	(81) \$	42	\$ (26	3)	\$ (282)	\$ (282	2)	\$ 548	\$ (279)
Other comprehensive income																
(loss), net of tax:																
Foreign currency adjustment	(2)	—		(2)	2	(2)	(2)	(2)	4	(2)
Other comprehensive income																
(loss), net of tax:	(2)	_		(2)	2	(2)	(2)	(2)	4	(2)
Total comprehensive (loss)																
income	(268)	42		(83)	44	(26	5)	(284)	(284)	1)	552	(281)
Less: income attributable to																
noncontrolling interest			(1)	(2)		(3)						(3)
Comprehensive (loss) income																
attributable to Warner Music																
Group																
Corp.	\$(268) \$	41	\$	(85) \$	44	\$ (26	8)	\$ (284)	\$ (284	1)	\$ 552	\$ (284)

Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	WMG Acquisition								WMG Acquisi		WMG Holding	Warner gsMusic	r	Warr Musi Grou	c
	Corp. (issue (in m	er) S	Subsid		Guaran S ubsidi		slimin	atio	Corp. Go nsoli		Corp. (itsuer)	Group Corp.	Elimina	Corp tionGons	
Cash flows from operating activities															
Net (loss) income	\$(52) \$	6 (23) :	\$ (25) \$	5 51		\$ (49)	\$ (68)	\$ (68)	\$ 120	\$ (65	j)
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by															
operating activities:															
Depreciation and															
amortization			121		112				233					23:	3
Unrealized gains/losses and remeasurement of foreign denominated															
loans	93		46		(120)	_		19				_	19	
Deferred income taxes	_		_		(17)			(17)		_	_	(17	7)
Non-cash interest expense	7				_	,	_		7	,	1	_	_	8	
Non-cash share-based														_	
compensation expense					_				_			_	_	_	
Equity losses (gains),															
including distributions	(26)	63		_		(38)	(1)	52	68	(120) (1)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:															
Accounts receivable	_		18		(2)	_		16			_	_	16	
Inventories	_		(1)	(2)	—		(3)				(3)
Royalty advances	_		(18)	(37)	_		(55)		_	_	(55	j)
Accounts payable and															
accrued liabilities	_		(93)	20		(13)	(86)				(86	5)
Royalty payables	<u> </u>		(55)	90		—		35			_	_	35	
Accrued interest	(7)							(7)	(5)			(12	2)
Deferred revenue		,	18		21		_		39		_		_	39	
Other balance sheet changes	(1)	(6)	14		_		7			_	_	7	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	14		70		54				138		(20)			113	2
Cash flows from investing activities	14		70		34		_		136		(20)	_	_	110	0
Acquisition of music															
publishing rights, net	_		(8)	(4)	_		(12)	_	_	_	(12	2)
Capital expenditures	_		(38)	(13)	_		(51)	_			(51	-
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Investments and acquisitions														
of businesses, net	_	(9)	(7)			(16)	—	_	_	(16)
Advances to issuer	16			—		(16)			—				
Net cash provided by (used														
in) investing activities	16	(55)	(24)	(16)	(79)	—	_	_	(79)
Cash flows from financing activities														
Dividend by Acquisition														
Corp. to Holdings Corp.	(20)	_		_		_		(20)	20		_	_	
Proceeds from the Revolving														
Credit Facility	258			_		_		258		_			258	
Repayment of the Revolving														
Credit Facility	(258)			_		_		(258)	_			(258)
Repayment of Acquisition														
Corp. Senior Term Loan														
Facility	(10)							(10)				(10)
Distribution to														
noncontrolling interest holder		(1)	(2)	—		(3)	—	_	_	(3)
Repayment of capital lease														
obligations		_		(2)	—		(2)	_	_	_	(2)
Change in due to (from)														
issuer	_	(16)	_		16		_		—	_	_	_	
Net cash provided by (used														
in) financing activities	(30)	(17)	(4)	16		(35)	20	_	_	(15)
Effect of exchange rate														
changes on cash and														
equivalents	_	_		(13)	_		(13)	_	_	_	(13)
Net increase (decrease) in														
cash and equivalents	_	(2)	13		_		11		_		_	11	
Cash and equivalents at														
beginning of period	_	26		131		_		157		_	_	_	157	
Cash and equivalents at end														
of period	\$—	\$ 24	5	144	\$	S —	\$	5 168		\$ —	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ —	\$ 168	

Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	WMG Acquisi	ition	N					WMG Acquisi	itio	WMG rHolding	Warner s Music	Warner Music		
	Corp. (issuer) (in mill					dimin		Corp. G o nsoli	idat	Corp. t ∉it suer)	Group Corp.	Eliminatio	Group Corp.	date
Cash flows from operating activities														
Net (loss) income	\$(266)	\$ 42	\$	8 (81) \$	42		\$ (263)	\$ (282)	\$(282)	\$ 548	\$ (279)
Adjustments to reconcile net														
(loss) income to net cash provided														
by operating activities:														
Loss on extinguishment of														
debt	141			_		_		141		_		_	141	
Depreciation and														
amortization	_	117		121		_		238		_	_	_	238	
Unrealized gains/losses and remeasurement of foreign denominated														
loans	1	(22)	(20)	_		(41)		_	_	(41)
Deferred income taxes	_	_		(47)	—		(47)	_	_	_	(47)
Non-cash interest expense	10			_		_		10		1	_	_	11	
Non-cash share-based														
compensation expense	_	5		—		—		5		—		_	5	
Equity losses (gains),														
including distributions	85	(17)	_		(68)	_		266	282	(548)		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:														
Accounts receivable		24		43				67				_	67	
Inventories	_	_		(4)	_		(4)	_	_	_	(4)
Royalty advances	_	5		(29)	_		(24)	_	_	_	(24)
Accounts payable and														
accrued liabilities	_	(90)	(32)	26		(96)	_	_	_	(96)
Royalty payables	_	(52)	63		_		11		_	_		11	
Accrued interest	(20)			_		_		(20)	(5)	_	_	(25)
Deferred revenue	_	84		9		_		93		_	_	_	93	
Other balance sheet changes	_	(2)	(7)	_		(9)	_	_	_	(9)
Net cash provided by (used														
in) operating activities	(49)	94		16		_		61		(20)) —		41	
Cash flows from investing activities														
activities		(13)	(7)			(20)			_	(20)
		(13	,	(,	,			(20	,				(20	,

Acquisition of music														
publishing rights, net														
Capital expenditures	_	(31)	(15)	_		(46)	_	_	_	(46)
Investments and acquisitions	3													
of businesses, net		(10)	(16)	_		(26)	_	_		(26)
Advances to issuer	22	_		—		(22)	_		_	_	_	_	
Net cash provided by (used														
in) investing activities	22	(54)	(38)	(22)	(92)	_	_	_	(92)
Cash flows from financing														
activities														
Dividend by Acquisition														
Corp. to Holdings Corp.	(20)	_		_		_		(20)	20	_	_	_	
Proceeds from the														
Revolving Credit Facility	490			—		_		490		—	_	_	490	
Repayment of the Revolving	,													
Credit Facility	(490)							(490)				(490)
Proceeds from issuance of														
Acquisition Corp. 5.625%														
Senior Secured Notes	275	_		_		_		275		_	_	_	275	
Proceeds from issuance of														
Acquisition Corp. 6.75%														
Senior Notes	660							660				_	660	
Repayment of Acquisition														
Corp. 11.5% Senior Notes	(765)					_		(765)	_		_	(765)
Financing costs paid	(104)			_		_		(104)	_	_	_	·)
Deferred financing costs														
paid	(12)					_		(12)	_		_	(12)
Repayment of Term Loan	(7)			_		_		(7)	_			(7)
Repayment of capital lease	,													
obligations		_		(2)	_		(2)		_	_	(2)
Distribution to					,									,
noncontrolling interest														
holder	_	_		(2)			(2)			_	(2)
Change in due to (from)				(-	,			(-	,				(-	
issuer		(22)	_		22				_	_	_	_	
Net cash provided by (used		(,											
in) financing activities	27	(22)	(4)	22		23		20			43	
Effect of exchange rate		(22	,	('	,					_0			10	
changes on cash and														
equivalents				(5)			(5)			_	(5)
Net increase (decrease) in				(3	,			(3	,				(3	,
cash and equivalents		18		(31)			(13)			_	(13)
Cash and equivalents at		10		(31	,			(13	,				(13	,
beginning of period		16		139				155					155	
Cash and equivalents at end		10		137				133					133	
of period	\$ —	\$ 34	4	5 108		S —	4	5 142		\$—	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 142	
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ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

You should read the following discussion of our results of operations and financial condition with the unaudited interim financial statements included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2015 (the "Quarterly Report").

"SAFE HARBOR" STATEMENT UNDER PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995

This Quarterly Report includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this Quarterly Report, including, without limitation, statements regarding our future financial position, business strategy, cost savings, industry trends and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. In addition, forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "may," "will," "expect," "intend," "estimate," "anticipate," "believe" or "continue" or the negative thereof variations thereon or similar terminology. Such statements include, among others, statements regarding our ability to develop talent and attract future talent, our ability to reduce future capital expenditures, our ability to monetize our music-based content, including through new distribution channels and formats to capitalize on the growth areas of the music industry, our ability to effectively deploy our capital, the development of digital music and the effect of digital distribution channels on our business, including whether we will be able to achieve higher margins from digital sales, the success of strategic actions (including the acquisition of Parlophone Label Group) we are taking to accelerate our transformation as we redefine our role in the music industry, the effectiveness of our ongoing efforts to reduce overhead expenditures and manage our variable and fixed cost structure and our ability to generate expected cost savings from such efforts, including expected cost savings and other synergies and benefits from our acquisition of Parlophone Label Group, our success in limiting piracy, our ability to compete in the highly competitive markets in which we operate, the growth of the music industry and the effect of our and the music industry's efforts to combat piracy on the industry, our intention to pay dividends or repurchase our outstanding notes in open market purchases, privately or otherwise, the impact on us of potential strategic transactions, our ability to fund our future capital needs and the effect of litigation on us. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to have been correct.

There are a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained in this Quarterly Report. Additionally, important factors could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements we make in this Quarterly Report. As stated elsewhere in this Quarterly Report, such risks, uncertainties and other important factors include, among others:

the continued decline in the global recorded music industry and the rate of overall decline in the music industry as music consumption shifts from physical to digital;

downward pressure on our pricing and our profit margins and reductions in shelf space;

our ability to identify, sign and retain artists and songwriters and the existence or absence of superstar releases; threats to our business associated with home copying and digital downloading;

the significant threat posed to our business and the music industry by organized industrial piracy;

the popular demand for particular recording artists and/or songwriters and albums and the timely completion of albums by major recording artists and/or songwriters;

the diversity and quality of our portfolio of songwriters;

the diversity and quality of our album releases;

the impact of legitimate channels for digital distribution of our creative content;

our dependence on a limited number of digital music services, in particular Apple's iTunes Music Store, for the online sale of our music recordings and their ability to significantly influence the pricing structure for online music stores; our involvement in intellectual property litigation;

our ability to continue to enforce our intellectual property rights in digital environments;

the ability to develop a successful business model applicable to a digital environment and to enter into artist services and expanded-rights deals with recording artists in order to broaden our revenue streams in growing segments of the music business;

the impact of heightened and intensive competition in the recorded music and music publishing businesses and our inability to execute our business strategy;

risks associated with our non-U.S. operations, including limited legal protections of our intellectual property rights and restrictions on the repatriation of capital;

significant fluctuations in our operations and cash flows from period to period;

our inability to compete successfully in the highly competitive markets in which we operate;

trends, developments or other events in some foreign countries in which we operate;

local economic conditions in the countries in which we operate;

our failure to attract and retain our executive officers and other key personnel;

the impact of rate regulations on our Recorded Music and Music Publishing businesses;

the impact of rates on other income streams that may be set by arbitration proceedings on our business;

an impairment in the carrying value of goodwill or other intangible and long-lived assets;

unfavorable currency exchange rate fluctuations;

our failure to have full control and ability to direct the operations we conduct through joint ventures;

legislation limiting the terms by which an individual can be bound under a "personal services" contract;

a potential loss of catalog if it is determined that recording artists have a right to recapture rights in their recordings under the U.S. Copyright Act;

trends that affect the end uses of our musical compositions (which include uses in broadcast radio and television, film and advertising businesses);

the growth of other products that compete for the disposable income of consumers;

the impact of, and risks inherent in, acquisitions or business combinations;

risks inherent to our outsourcing of IT infrastructure and certain finance and accounting functions;

our ability to maintain the security of information relating to our customers, employees and vendors and our music-based content;

the fact that we have engaged in substantial restructuring activities in the past, and may need to implement further restructurings in the future and our restructuring efforts may not be successful or generate expected cost-savings; the impact of our substantial leverage on our ability to raise additional capital to fund our operations, on our ability to react to changes in the economy or our industry and on our ability to meet our obligations under our indebtedness; the ability to generate sufficient cash to service all of our indebtedness, and the risk that we may be forced to take other actions to satisfy our obligations under our indebtedness, which may not be successful;

the fact that our debt agreements contain restrictions that limit our flexibility in operating our business;

our indebtedness levels, and the fact that we may be able to incur substantially more indebtedness which may increase the risks created by our substantial indebtedness;

the significant amount of cash required to service our indebtedness and the ability to generate cash or refinance indebtedness as it becomes due depends on many factors, some of which are beyond our control;

risks of downgrade, suspension or withdrawal of the rating assigned by a rating agency to us could impact our cost of capital;

risks relating to Access, which indirectly owns all of our outstanding capital stock, and controls our company and may have conflicts of interest with the holders of our debt or us in the future. Access may also enter into, or cause us to enter into, strategic transactions that could change the nature or structure of our business, capital structure or credit profile;

our reliance on one company as the primary supplier for the manufacturing, packaging and physical distribution of our products in the United States and Canada and parts of Europe;

risks related to evolving regulations concerning data privacy which might result in increased regulation and different industry standards;

changes in law and government regulations; and

risks related to other factors discussed under "Risk Factors" of this Quarterly Report and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014.

There may be other factors not presently known to us or which we currently consider to be immaterial that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statements we make. You should read carefully the "Risk Factors" section of this Quarterly Report to better understand the risks and uncertainties inherent in our business and underlying any forward-looking statements.

All forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf apply only as of the date of this Quarterly Report and are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements included in this Quarterly Report. We disclaim any duty to update or revise forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

INTRODUCTION

Warner Music Group Corp. (the "Company") was formed on November 21, 2003. The Company is the direct parent of WMG Holdings Corp. ("Holdings"), which is the direct parent of WMG Acquisition Corp. ("Acquisition Corp."). Acquisition Corp. is one of the world's major music-based content companies.

The Company and Holdings are holding companies that conduct substantially all of their business operations through their subsidiaries. The terms "we," "us," "our," "ours," and the "Company" refer collectively to Warner Music Group Corp. an its consolidated subsidiaries, except where otherwise indicated.

Management's discussion and analysis of results of operations and financial condition ("MD&A") is provided as a supplement to the unaudited financial statements and footnotes included elsewhere herein to help provide an understanding of our financial condition, changes in financial condition and results of our operations. MD&A is organized as follows:

Overview. This section provides a general description of our business, as well as a discussion of factors that we believe are important in understanding our results of operations and financial condition and in anticipating future trends.

Results of operations. This section provides an analysis of our results of operations for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014. This analysis is presented on both a consolidated and segment basis. Financial condition and liquidity. This section provides an analysis of our cash flows for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014 as well as a discussion of our financial condition and liquidity as of June 30, 2015. The discussion of our financial condition and liquidity includes a summary of the key debt covenant compliance measures under our debt agreements.

Use of OIBDA

We evaluate our operating performance based on several factors, including our primary financial measure of operating income (loss) before non-cash depreciation of tangible assets and non-cash amortization of intangible assets ("OIBDA"). We consider OIBDA to be an important indicator of the operational strengths and performance of our businesses. However, a limitation of the use of OIBDA as a performance measure is that it does not reflect the periodic costs of certain capitalized tangible and intangible assets used in generating revenues in our businesses. Accordingly, OIBDA should be considered in addition to, not as a substitute for, operating income (loss), net income (loss) attributable to Warner Music Group Corp. and other measures of financial performance reported in accordance with U.S. GAAP. In addition, our definition of OIBDA may differ from similarly titled measures used by other companies. A reconciliation of consolidated OIBDA to operating income (loss) and net income (loss) attributable to Warner Music Group Corp. is provided in our "Results of Operations."

Use of Constant Currency

As exchange rates are an important factor in understanding period to period comparisons, we believe the presentation of results on a constant-currency basis in addition to reported results helps improve the ability to understand our operating results and evaluate our performance in comparison to prior periods. Constant-currency information compares results between periods as if exchange rates had remained constant period over period. We use results on a constant-currency basis as one measure to evaluate our performance. We calculate constant currency by calculating prior-year results using current-year foreign currency exchange rates. We generally refer to such amounts calculated on a constant-currency basis as "excluding the impact of foreign currency exchange rates." These results should be considered in addition to, not as a substitute for, results reported in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Results on a constant-currency basis, as we present them, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies and are not a measure of performance presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

OVERVIEW

We are one of the world's major music-based content companies. We classify our business interests into two fundamental operations: Recorded Music and Music Publishing. A brief description of each of those operations is presented below.

Recorded Music Operations

Our Recorded Music business primarily consists of the discovery and development of artists and the related marketing, distribution and licensing of recorded music produced by such artists. We play an integral role in virtually all aspects of the recorded music value chain from discovering and developing talent to producing albums and promoting artists and their products.

In the United States, our Recorded Music operations are conducted principally through our major record labels—Warner Bros. Records and Atlantic Records. Our Recorded Music operations also include Rhino, a division that specializes in marketing our music catalog through compilations and reissuances of previously released music and video titles. We also conduct our Recorded Music operations through a collection of additional record labels, including, Asylum, Big Beat, Canvasback, East West, Elektra, Erato, FFRR, Fueled by Ramen, Nonesuch, Parlophone, Reprise, Roadrunner, Rykodisc, Sire, Warner Classics, Warner Music Nashville and Word.

Outside the United States, our Recorded Music activities are conducted in more than 50 countries through various subsidiaries, affiliates and non-affiliated licensees. Internationally, we engage in the same activities as in the United States: discovering and signing artists and distributing, marketing and selling their recorded music. In most cases, we also market and distribute the records of those artists for whom our domestic record labels have international rights. In certain smaller markets, we license the right to distribute our records to non-affiliated third-party record labels. Our international artist services operations include a network of concert promoters through which we provide resources to coordinate tours for our artists and other artists as well as management companies that guide artists with respect to their careers.

Our Recorded Music distribution operations include Warner-Elektra-Atlantic Corporation ("WEA Corp."), which markets and sells music and video products to retailers and wholesale distributors; Alternative Distribution Alliance ("ADA"), which distributes the products of independent labels to retail and wholesale distributors; various distribution centers and ventures operated internationally; and an 80% interest in Word, which specializes in the distribution of music products in the Christian retail marketplace.

In addition to our Recorded Music products being sold in physical retail outlets, our Recorded Music products are also sold in physical form to online physical retailers such as Amazon.com, barnesandnoble.com and bestbuy.com and in digital form to digital download services such as Apple's iTunes and Google Play, and are offered by digital streaming

services such as Apple Music, Deezer, Rhapsody, Spotify and YouTube, including digital radio services such as iTunes Radio, iHeart Radio and Pandora.

We have integrated the exploitation of digital content into all aspects of our business, including artist and repertoire ("A&R"), marketing, promotion and distribution. Our business development executives work closely with A&R departments to ensure that while a record is being produced, digital assets are also created with all distribution channels in mind, including streaming services, social networking sites, online portals and music-centered destinations. We also work side-by-side with our online and mobile partners to test new concepts. We believe existing and new digital businesses will be a significant source of growth for at least the next several years and will provide new opportunities to successfully monetize our assets and create new revenue streams. The proportion of digital revenues attributed to each distribution channel varies by region and proportions may change as the roll out of new technologies continues. As an owner of music content, we believe we are well positioned to take advantage of growth in digital distribution and emerging technologies to maximize the value of our assets.

We have diversified our revenues beyond our traditional businesses by entering into expanded-rights deals with recording artists in order to partner with artists in other aspects of their careers. Under these agreements, we provide services to and participate in artists' activities outside the traditional recorded music business such as touring, merchandising and sponsorships. We have built artist services capabilities and platforms for exploiting this broader set of music-related rights and participating more widely in the monetization of the artist brands we help create.

We believe that entering into expanded-rights deals and enhancing our artist services capabilities in areas such as concert promotion and management has permited us to diversify revenue streams and capitalize on other revenue opportunities. This provides for improved long-term relationships with artists and allows us to more effectively connect artists and fans.

Recorded Music revenues are derived from four main sources:

Physical: the rightsholder receives revenues with respect to sales of physical products such as CDs, vinyl and DVDs; Digital: the rightsholder receives revenues with respect to digital download services, streaming services and other online and mobile digital music services;

Artist services and expanded-rights: the rightsholder receives revenues with respect to artist services businesses and our participation in expanded-rights associated with our artists, including sponsorship, fan clubs, artist websites, merchandising, touring, concert promotion, ticketing and artist and brand management; and Licensing: the rightsholder receives royalties or fees for the right to use sound recordings in combination with visual images such as in films or television programs, television commercials and videogames; the rightsholder also receives royalties if sound recordings are performed publicly through broadcast of music on television, radio, cable and satellite, and in public spaces such as shops, workplaces, restaurants, bars and clubs.

Artist and repertoire costs—the costs associated with (i) paying royalties to artists, producers, songwriters, other copyright holders and trade unions; (ii) signing and developing artists; and (iii) creating master recordings in the studio;

The principal costs associated with our Recorded Music operations are as follows:

Product costs—the costs to manufacture, package and distribute products to wholesale and retail distribution outlets, the royalty costs associated with distributing products of independent labels to wholesale and retail distribution outlets, as well as the costs related to our artist services business;

Selling and marketing expenses—the costs associated with the promotion and marketing of artists and recorded music products, including costs to produce music videos for promotional purposes and artist tour support; and General and administrative expenses—the costs associated with general overhead and other administrative expenses. Music Publishing Operations

While recorded music is focused on exploiting a particular recording of a composition, music publishing is an intellectual property business focused on the exploitation of the composition itself. In return for promoting, placing, marketing and administering the creative output of a songwriter, or engaging in those activities for other rightsholders, our Music Publishing business garners a share of the revenues generated from use of the composition.

Our Music Publishing operations are conducted principally through Warner/Chappell, our global music publishing company headquartered in Los Angeles with operations in over 50 countries through various subsidiaries, affiliates and non-affiliated licensees. We own or control rights to more than one million musical compositions, including numerous pop hits, American standards, folk songs and motion picture and theatrical compositions. Assembled over decades, our award-winning catalog includes over 65,000 songwriters and composers and a diverse range of genres including pop, rock, jazz, classical, country, R&B, hip-hop, rap, reggae, Latin, folk, blues, symphonic, soul, Broadway, techno, alternative, gospel and other Christian music. Warner/Chappell also administers the music and soundtracks of several third-party television and film producers and studios, including Lucasfilm, Ltd., Hallmark Entertainment and Disney Music Publishing. Through consistent and tactical talent investment, Warner Chappell has developed a broad array of talent across all genres, resulting in Warner/Chappell being awarded ASCAP's Top

Publisher of the Year for Latin Music in 2015, to add to the successes of Top Publisher in each of Pop, Country and Urban categories in 2014. Our production music library business includes Non-Stop Music, Groove Addicts Production Music Library, Carlin Recorded Music Library, 615 Music and Frank Gari Productions and Gari Communications, collectively branded as Warner/Chappell Production Music.

Music Publishing revenues are derived from five main sources:

Performance: the rightsholder receives revenues if the composition is performed publicly through broadcast of music on television, radio, cable and satellite, live performance at a concert or other venue (e.g., arena concerts and nightclubs), and performance of music in staged theatrical productions;

Mechanical: the rightsholder receives revenues with respect to compositions embodied in recordings sold in any physical format or configuration such as CDs, vinyl and DVDs;

Digital: the rightsholder receives revenues with respect to compositions embodied in recordings sold in digital download services, streaming services and other online and mobile digital music services;

Synchronization: the rightsholder receives revenues for the right to use the composition in combination with visual images such as in films or television programs, television commercials and videogames as well as from other uses such as in toys or novelty items and merchandise; and

Other: the rightsholder receives revenues for use in printed sheet music and other uses.

The principal costs associated with our Music Publishing operations are as follows:

Artist and repertoire costs—the costs associated with (i) paying royalties to songwriters, co-publishers and other copyright holders in connection with income generated from the exploitation of their copyrighted works and (ii) signing and developing songwriters; and

General and administrative expenses—the costs associated with general overhead and other administrative expenses. Recent Developments

Sirius XM

On September 11, 2013, we joined with Capitol Records, LLC, Sony Music Entertainment, UMG Recordings, Inc. and ABKCO Music & Records, Inc. in a lawsuit brought in California Superior Court against Sirius XM Radio Inc., alleging copyright infringement for Sirius XM's use of pre-1972 sound recordings under California law. A nation-wide settlement was reached on June 17, 2015 pursuant to which Sirius XM paid the plaintiffs, in the aggregate, \$210 million on July 29, 2015 and the plaintiffs dismissed their lawsuit with prejudice. The settlement resolves all past claims as to Sirius XM's use of pre-1972 recordings owned or controlled by the plaintiffs and enables Sirius XM, without any additional payment, to reproduce, perform and broadcast such recordings in the United States through December 31, 2017. As part of the settlement, Sirius XM has the right, to be exercised before December 31, 2017, to enter into a license with each plaintiff to reproduce, perform and broadcast its pre-1972 recordings from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022. The royalty rate for each such license will be determined by negotiation or, if the parties are unable to agree, binding arbitration on a willing buyer/willing seller standard. The allocation of the settlement proceeds among the plaintiffs has not yet been determined. We intend to share our allocation of the settlement proceeds with our artists on the same basis as statutory revenue from Sirius XM is shared, i.e., the artist share of our allocation will be paid to artists by SoundExchange. We will record the settlement in our financial statements once it is realized, which is expected to be at the time the allocation to the Company can be reasonably determined.

Factors Affecting Results of Operations and Financial Condition

PLG Related Costs

Subsequent to the close of the PLG Acquisition, we incurred integration and other nonrecurring costs related to the PLG Acquisition. Total professional fees and integration costs amounted to approximately \$4 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and were recorded in the consolidated statements of operations within general and administrative expense. These costs amounted to approximately \$51 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 and were recorded in the consolidated statements of operations, with \$4 million within product costs and \$47 million within general and administrative expense. All material integration costs are expected to be incurred by the end of fiscal 2015.

Restructuring Costs and Expected Cost Savings and Other Synergies from the PLG Acquisition

In conjunction with the PLG Acquisition, we undertook a plan to achieve cost savings (the "Restructuring Plan"), primarily through headcount reductions and real estate consolidation. The Restructuring Plan was approved by our CEO prior to the close of the PLG Acquisition. Under the Restructuring Plan, we currently expect to record an aggregate of approximately \$75 million in restructuring costs, currently estimated to be made up of employee-related costs of \$68 million, real estate costs of \$5 million and other costs of \$2 million. Total restructuring costs of \$2 million was incurred during the nine months ended June 30, 2015 with respect to these actions, which consisted of \$1 million of employee-related costs and \$1 million of real estate costs. Total restructuring costs of \$42 million of employee-related costs, \$4 million of real estate costs and \$1 million of other costs. Total restructuring costs of \$74 million have been incurred to date under the Restructuring Plan, including total cash payments of \$71 million. Employee-related costs include all cash compensation and other employee benefits paid to terminated employees. Real estate costs include costs that will continue to be incurred without economic benefit to us, such as, among others, operating lease payments for office space no longer being used and moving costs incurred during relocation, costs incurred to close a facility and IT costs to wire a new facility. The remainder of the Restructuring Plan is expected to be completed by the end of fiscal 2015.

The \$75 million in expected restructuring costs do not include other integration and other nonrecurring costs related to the PLG Acquisition noted above of \$85 million, which do not qualify as restructuring costs. As of June 30, 2015, these actions were completed and resulted in cost savings and other synergies of approximately \$70 million.

Expanding Business Models to Drive Incremental Revenue

Digital

The global recorded music industry is moving increasingly to digital with access models and downloads enabling additional channels of revenue generation. We intend to continue to extend our global reach by developing and optimizing business models that will enable us to monetize our content across platforms, services and devices. In the United States, for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, our Recorded Music digital revenue exceeded our physical revenue. While there are signs of industry stabilization, the industry continues to be impacted as a result of the transition to digital. It is believed within the recorded music industry that digital revenues will re-establish a growth pattern for recorded music but the timing of that recovery cannot be established with accuracy, nor can it be determined how those changes will affect individual markets.

Streaming models are becoming more prevalent. According to industry shipments and revenue data released by the RIAA, streaming revenues rose 29% year-over-year in calendar year 2014 in the United States, growing streaming's share of overall industry revenues from 21% to 27%. While streaming revenue growth has offset the decline in download revenue, declines in physical revenue continue to outpace digital revenue's growth in the recorded music industry. As the digital transition develops, it is reasonable to expect that margins may trend higher given the elimination of certain costs associated with physical products, such as manufacturing, distribution, inventory and returns. Partially eroding that benefit are certain digital-specific variable costs and infrastructure investments necessary to produce, market and sell music in digital formats, as well as increases in copyright royalties payable to music publishers. As consumer purchasing patterns change over time and new digital models are launched and continue to grow, we may see fluctuations in operating margin depending on the overall sales mix.

Artist Services and Expanded-Rights Deals

As another means to offset declines in physical revenues and download revenues in Recorded Music, for many years we have signed recording artists to expanded-rights deals. Under our expanded-rights deals, we participate in the recording artist's revenue streams, other than from recorded music sales, such as touring, merchandising and

sponsorships. Artist services and expanded-rights revenue, which includes revenue from our artist services businesses as well as revenue from expanded-rights deals, represented approximately 9% of our total revenue during the nine months ended June 30, 2015. Artist services and expanded-rights revenue will fluctuate from period to period depending upon touring schedules, among other things. Margins for the various artist services and expanded-rights revenue streams can vary significantly. The overall impact on margins will, therefore, depend on the composition of the various revenue streams in any particular period. For instance, participation in revenue from touring under our expanded-rights deals typically flows straight through to operating income with little associated cost. Revenue from some of our artist services businesses such as our management business and revenue from participation in touring and sponsorships under our expanded-rights deals are all high margin, while merchandising revenue under our expanded-rights deals and revenue from some of our artist services businesses such as our concert promotion businesses tend to be lower margin than our traditional revenue streams in Recorded Music.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended June 30, 2015 Compared with Three Months Ended June 30, 2014

Consolidated Results

Revenues

Our revenues were composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended											
		ne 30,		20)14		2015 vs \$ Chan					
Revenue by Type												
Physical	\$	161		\$	202		\$(41)	-20	%			
Digital		293			299		(6)	-2	%			
Total Physical and Digital		454			501		(47)	-9	%			
Artist services and expanded-rights		73			92		(19)	-21	%			
Licensing		65			63		2	3	%			
Total Recorded Music		592			656		(64)	-10	%			
Performance		49			52		(3)	-6	%			
Mechanical		25			31		(6)	-19	%			
Digital		23			27		(4)	-15	%			
Synchronization		23			25		(2)	-8	%			
Other		3			2		1	50	%			
Total Music Publishing		123			137		(14)	-10	%			
Intersegment eliminations		(5)		(5) —		%			
Total Revenue	\$	710		\$	788		\$(78)	-10	%			
Revenue by Geographical Location												
U.S. Recorded Music	\$	241		\$	253		\$(12)	-5	%			
U.S. Music Publishing		48			51		(3)	-6	%			
Total U.S.		289			304		(15)	-5	%			
International Recorded Music		351			403		(52)	-13	%			
International Music Publishing		75			86		(11)	-13	%			
Total International		426			489		(63)	-13	%			
Intersegment eliminations		(5)		(5) —	_	%			
Total Revenue	\$	710		\$	788		\$(78)	-10	%			

Total Revenue

Total revenue decreased by \$78 million, or 10%, to \$710 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$788 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, total revenue decreased by \$5 million, or 1%. Prior to intersegment eliminations, Recorded Music and Music Publishing revenues represented 83% and 17% of total revenue for both the three months ended June 30, 2015 and for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Prior to intersegment eliminations, U.S. and international revenues represented

40% and 60% of total revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 38% and 62% of total revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2014, respectively.

Total digital revenue after intersegment eliminations decreased by \$10 million, or 3%, to \$314 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$324 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, total digital revenue after intersegment eliminations increased by \$11 million, or 4%. Total digital revenue represented 44% and 41% of consolidated revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. Prior to intersegment eliminations, total digital revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2015 was comprised of U.S. revenue of \$156 million and international revenue of \$160 million, or 49% and 51% of total digital revenue, respectively. Prior to intersegment eliminations, total digital revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2014 was comprised of U.S. revenue of \$164 million and international revenue of \$162 million, or 50% and 50% of total digital revenue, respectively.

Recorded Music revenue decreased by \$64 million, or 10%, to \$592 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$656 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, Recorded Music revenue decreased by \$4 million, or 1%. U.S. Recorded Music revenues were \$241 million and \$253 million, or 41% and 39% of consolidated Recorded Music revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. International Recorded Music revenues were \$351 million and \$403 million, or 59% and 61% of consolidated Recorded Music revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

The overall decrease in Recorded Music revenue was mainly driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, digital and licensing revenues increased, while physical and artist services and expanded-rights revenue decreased. Digital revenue decreased by \$6 million, or increased \$14 million excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, as a result of the success of the Wiz Khalifa (featuring Charlie Puth) single "See You Again" on the Furious 7: Original Motion Picture Soundtrack, the carry over success of releases from Ed Sheeran and David Guetta and the continued growth in streaming. Revenue from streaming services grew by \$22 million, or \$32 million excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, and was offset by digital download declines of \$23 million, or \$14 million excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates. Licensing revenue grew as a result of increased synchronization activity in the quarter as well as the inclusion of PLG repertoire in broadcast fee income for the first time since the PLG acquisition in certain territories. The physical revenue decrease was driven by the shift from physical revenue to digital revenue and physically-centric releases such as the releases from Coldplay and Linkin Park in the three months ended June 30, 2014. The decrease in artist services and expanded-rights revenue was driven by the timing of tours in the concert promotion business.

Music Publishing revenues decreased by \$14 million, or 10%, to \$123 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$137 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, Music Publishing revenue decreased by \$1 million, or 1%. U.S. Music Publishing revenues were \$48 million and \$51 million, or 39% and 37% of Music Publishing revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. International Music Publishing revenues were \$75 million and \$86 million, or 61% and 63%, of Music Publishing revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

The overall decrease in Music Publishing revenue was mainly driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, Music Publishing performance revenue increased due to the timing of collection society distributions, which was offset by decreases in mechanical revenue and digital revenue. The decrease in mechanical revenue was attributable to an ongoing shift towards digital product in the industry. The decrease in digital revenue was driven by an increase in streaming services revenue that was more than offset by a decrease in digital download revenue.

Revenue by Geographical Location

U.S. revenue decreased by \$15 million, or 5%, to \$289 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$304 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. U.S. Recorded Music revenue decreased by \$12 million, or 5%. Physical revenue and digital revenue from U.S. Recorded Music decreased, while licensing revenue and artist services and expanded-rights revenue increased in the U.S. The physical decrease was driven by strong physically-centric releases in the three months ended June 30, 2014. U.S. Recorded Music digital revenue continued to experience growth in streaming services, however this was more than offset by declines in digital download revenue. U.S. Recorded Music licensing revenue increased due to strong synchronization activity in the quarter and artist services and expanded-rights revenue increased due to increases in tour revenue and merchandise sales. U.S. Music Publishing revenue declined by \$3 million, or 6%, to \$48 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$51 million for

the three months ended June 30, 2014 due to slight declines in mechanical revenue and digital revenue.

International revenue decreased by \$63 million, or 13%, to \$426 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$489 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. This decrease was due to the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates of \$73 million and increased \$10 million excluding this. International Recorded Music revenue decreased \$52 million due to the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates of \$60 million and decreases in physical revenue of \$10 million and artist services and expanded-rights revenue of \$8 million, excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates. International Recorded Music physical revenue decreased due to strong physically-centric releases in the three months ended June 30, 2014, being replaced by more digitally-centric releases in the three months ended June 30, 2015. The main driver of the decrease in International Recorded Music artist services and expanded-rights revenue was declines in concert promotion revenue in Europe as a result of the timing of tours. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, International Recorded Music digital revenue increased by \$20 million, as the decline in digital download revenue was more than offset by an increase in streaming services revenue of \$25 million. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, International Recorded Music licensing revenue increased by \$6 million. The decrease in International Music Publishing revenue of \$11 million was mainly due to the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates.

Cost of revenues

Our cost of revenues was composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	Fo	For the Three Months Ended									
	Ju	ne 30,					2015 v	s. 2014			
	20	15		20	14		\$ Chan	ge Char	nge		
Artist and repertoire costs	\$	257		\$	270		\$(13)	-5	%		
Product costs		116			147		(31)	-21	%		
Total cost of revenues	\$	373		\$	417		\$(44)	-11	%		

Total cost of revenues decreased by \$44 million to \$373 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$417 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Expressed as a percentage of revenues, cost of revenues remained consistent at 53% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Artist and repertoire costs decreased by \$13 million, to \$257 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$270 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Artist and repertoire costs as a percentage of revenue increased to 36% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 34% for the three months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to changes in revenue mix.

Product costs decreased by \$31 million, to \$116 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$147 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Product costs as a percentage of revenue decreased to 16% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 19% for the three months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the decline in physical revenue and artist services and expanded-rights revenue, which carry higher product costs as a percentage of revenue.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Our selling, general and administrative expenses were composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Three		
	June 30, 2015	2014	2015 vs. 2014 \$ Chan@cChange
General and administrative expense (1)	\$ 134	\$ 176	\$(42) -24 %
Selling and marketing expense	103	128	(25) -20 %
Distribution expense	14	15	(1) -7 %
Total selling, general and administrative expense	\$ 251	\$ 319	\$(68) -21 %

(1) Includes depreciation expense of \$14 million for both the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014.

Total selling, general and administrative expense decreased by \$68 million, or 21%, to \$251 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$319 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Expressed as a percentage of revenues, selling, general and administrative expense decreased to 35% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 41% for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

General and administrative expense declined by \$42 million, or 24%, to \$134 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$176 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. The decline in general and administrative expense was primarily due to a decline in restructuring costs of \$16 million, which primarily relates to PLG, decreased professional fees and other integration costs primarily associated with the PLG Acquisition of \$14 million, a \$6 million decline in rent expense primarily associated with moving to our new headquarters, and a \$4 million decline in compensation due to ongoing cost containment initiatives. General and administrative expense decreased to 19% of revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 22% of revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Selling and marketing expense decreased by \$25 million, or 20%, to \$103 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$128 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. The decrease in selling and marketing expense was primarily due to ongoing cost containment initiatives. Expressed as a percentage of revenue, selling and marketing expense decreased to 15% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 16% for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Distribution expense decreased by \$1 million, or 7%, to \$14 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$15 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. Expressed as a percentage of revenue, distribution expense remained flat at 2% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014.

Reconciliation of Consolidated OIBDA to Operating Income (Loss) and Net Loss Attributable to Warner Music Group Corp.

As previously described, we use OIBDA as our primary measure of financial performance. The following table reconciles OIBDA to operating income (loss), and further provides the components from operating income (loss) to net loss attributable to Warner Music Group Corp. for purposes of the discussion that follows (in millions):

	Fo	or the T	hree	Mo	nths Er	ded			
		ne 30,		20)14		2015 vs	s. 2014 % Char	ισe
OIBDA	\$	100		\$			\$34	52	%
Depreciation expense		(14)		(14)		_	%
Amortization expense		(63)		(67)	4	6	%
Operating income (loss)		23			(15)	38		%
Loss on extinguishment of debt		—			(141)	141	100	%
Interest expense, net		(45)		(48)	3	6	%
Other (expense) income, net		(17)		4		(21)	_	%
Loss before income taxes		(39)		(200)	161	81	%
Income tax (expense) benefit		(4)		16		(20)	-125	%
Net loss		(43)		(184)	141	77	%
Less: Income attributable to noncontrolling interest		(1)		(1)	<u> </u>	_	%
Net loss attributable to Warner Music Group Corp.	\$	(44)	\$	(185		\$141	76	%

OIBDA

OIBDA increased by \$34 million, or 52%, to \$100 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 as compared to \$66 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 as a result of continued cost containment initiatives, lower restructuring and integration costs related to the PLG Acquisition and a decrease in selling and marketing and product costs. Expressed as a percentage of total revenue, OIBDA increased to 14% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 8% for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Depreciation expense

Our depreciation expense remained consistent at \$14 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Amortization expense

Our amortization expense decreased by \$4 million, or 6%, to \$63 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$67 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 primarily due to the impact of foreign currency exchange rates.

Operating income (loss)

Our operating income (loss) increased by \$38 million to \$23 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from an operating loss of \$15 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. The increase in operating income (loss) was due to the factors that led to the increase in OIBDA and decrease in amortization expense as noted above.

Loss on extinguishment of debt

On April 9, 2014, we completed the 2014 Refinancing. We made a redemption payment of \$869 million, which included the repayment of our previously outstanding \$765 million 11.5% Senior Notes due 2018, tender/call premiums of \$85 million and consent fees of approximately \$19 million. As a result, we recorded a \$141 million loss on the extinguishment of debt for the three months ended June 30, 2014, which represents the difference between the redemption payment and the carrying value of the debt, including unamortized discounts of \$13 million and unamortized debt and issuance costs of \$24 million as of the refinancing date.

Interest expense, net

Our interest expense, net, decreased by \$3 million, or 6%, to \$45 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$48 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. This was primarily driven by lower interest rates as a result of our refinancing in fiscal 2014 partially offset by additional principal amount of debt outstanding in the current period.

Other income (expense)

Our other income (expense), net primarily consists of currency exchange movements associated with our Euro denominated debt and intercompany receivables and payables that are short term in nature. The current quarter expense is primarily due to currency exchange losses on our Euro denominated debt of \$5 million and losses on our intercompany loans of \$15 million.

Income tax benefit

We recognized income tax expense of \$4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$16 million of income tax benefit for the three months ended June 30, 2014. The increase of \$20 million in income tax expense primarily relates to a lower pretax loss for the three months ended June 30, 2015 as compared to the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Net loss

Net loss decreased by \$141 million, or 77%, to \$43 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$184 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 as a result of the factors described above.

Noncontrolling interest

Income attributable to noncontrolling interest was \$1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014.

Business Segment Results

Revenue, OIBDA and operating income (loss) by business segment were as follows (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended								
		ne 30, 015		20)14		2015 vs \$ Chan	J J .	nge
Recorded Music									
Revenue	\$	592		\$	656		\$(64)	-10	%
OIBDA		100			71		29	41	%
Operating income (loss)		43			11		32		%
Music Publishing									
Revenue		123			137		(14)	-10	%
OIBDA		20			24		(4)	-17	%
Operating income		3			6		(3)	-50	%
Corporate expenses and eliminations									
Revenue elimination		(5)		(5)			%
OIBDA		(20)		(29)	9	31	%
Operating loss		(23)		(32)	9	28	%
Total									
Revenue		710			788		(78)	-10	%
OIBDA		100			66		34	52	%

Operating income (loss) 23 (15) 38 — %

Recorded Music

Revenues

Recorded Music revenue decreased by \$64 million, or 10%, to \$592 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$656 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. U.S. Recorded Music revenues were \$241 million and \$253 million, or 41% and 39% of consolidated Recorded Music revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. International Recorded Music revenues were \$351 million and \$403 million, or 59% and 61% of consolidated Recorded Music revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

The overall decrease in Recorded Music revenue was mainly driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates as described in the "Total Revenues" and "Revenue by Geographical Location" sections above.

Cost of revenues

Recorded Music cost of revenues was composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended								
	Ju	ne 30,					2015	vs. 2014	
	20	15		20	14		\$ Cha	n ‰ Cha	nge
Artist and repertoire costs	\$	173		\$	178		\$(5)	-3	%
Product costs		116			147		(31)	-21	%
Total cost of revenues	\$	289		\$	325		\$(36)	-11	%

Recorded Music cost of revenues decreased by \$36 million, or 11%, to \$289 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$325 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. The decrease in product costs was primarily due to the decreases in physical revenue and artist services and expanded-rights revenue as these revenue streams carry proportionately higher product costs. Expressed as a percentage of Recorded Music revenue, Recorded Music cost of revenues decreased to 49% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 50% for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Selling, general and administrative expense

Recorded Music selling, general and administrative expenses were composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended						
	June 30,		2015 vs. 2014				
	2015	2014	\$ Change Change				
General and administrative expense (1)	\$ 97	\$ 128	\$(31) -24 %				
Selling and marketing expense	102	126	(24) -19 %				
Distribution expense	14	15	(1) -7 %				
Total selling, general and administrative expense	\$ 213	\$ 269	\$(56) -21 %				

(1) Includes depreciation expense of \$10 million and \$9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

Recorded Music selling, general and administrative expense decreased by \$56 million, or 21%, to \$213 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$269 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. The decrease in Recorded Music selling, general and administrative expense was primarily due to a decline in restructuring costs of \$17 million, which primarily related to PLG, decreased professional fees and other integration costs primarily associated with the PLG Acquisition of \$14 million, a \$6 million decline in rent expense primarily associated with moving to our new headquarters, a \$4 million decline in compensation due to ongoing cost containment initiatives. Expressed as a percentage of Recorded Music revenue, Recorded Music selling, general and administrative expense decreased to 36% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 41% for the three months

ended June 30, 2014.

OIBDA and Operating income (loss)

Recorded Music operating income (loss) included the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended								
	Ju	ne 30,					2015	vs. 2014	ļ.
	20	15		20	14		\$ Cha	af/g c Chan	ige
OIBDA	\$	100		\$	71		\$29	41	%
Depreciation and amortization		(57)		(60)	3	5	%
Operating income (loss)	\$	43		\$	11		\$32	_	%

Recorded Music OIBDA increased by \$29 million, or 41%, to \$100 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$71 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 as a result of continued cost containment initiatives, lower restructuring, and lower integration costs related to the PLG Acquisition. Expressed as a percentage of Recorded Music revenue, Recorded Music OIBDA increased to 17% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 11% for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Recorded Music operating income increased by \$32 million to \$43 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$11 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 due to the factors that led to the increase in Recorded Music OIBDA noted above.

Music Publishing

Revenues

Music Publishing revenues decreased by \$14 million, or 10%, to \$123 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$137 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014. U.S. Music Publishing revenues were \$48 million and \$51 million, or 39% and 37%, of Music Publishing revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. International Music Publishing revenues were \$75 million and \$86 million, or 61% and 63%, of Music Publishing revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

The overall decrease in Music Publishing revenue was mainly driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates as described in the "Total Revenues" and "Revenue by Geographical Location" sections above.

Cost of revenues

Music Publishing cost of revenues were composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended									
	Jun	ie 30,					2015 v	s. 2014		
	201	15		201	4		\$ Char	WgeChan	ge	
Artist and repertoire costs	\$	89		\$	97		\$(8)	-8	%	
Total cost of revenues	\$	89		\$	97		\$(8)	-8	%	

Music Publishing cost of revenues decreased by \$8 million, or 8%, to \$89 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$97 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 due to the decrease in revenue and the timing of A&R investments to sign and develop songwriters. Expressed as a percentage of Music Publishing revenue, Music Publishing cost of revenues increased to 72% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 71% for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Selling, general and administrative expense

Music Publishing selling, general and administrative expenses were comprised of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Thre	For the Three Months Ended						
	June 30, 2015	2014	2015 vs. 2014 \$ Cha₩g€hange					
General and administrative expense (1)	\$ 15	\$ 17	\$(2) -12 %					
Selling and marketing expense	_	1	(1) -100 %					

Total selling, general and administrative expense \$ 15 \$ 18 \$(3) -17 %

(1) Includes depreciation expense of \$1 million and \$2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Music Publishing selling, general and administrative expense decreased by \$3 million, or 17%, to \$15 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$18 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 mainly due to the impact of foreign exchange rate movements. Expressed as a percentage of Music Publishing revenue, Music Publishing selling, general and administrative expense decreased to 12% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 13% for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

OIBDA and Operating income

Music Publishing operating income included the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended									
	Ju	ne 30,					2015	vs. 2014	4	
	20	15		20	14		\$ Cha	₩g€han	ige	
OIBDA	\$	20		\$	24		\$(4)	-17	%	
Depreciation and amortization		(17)		(18)	1	6	%	
Operating income	\$	3		\$	6		\$(3)	-50	%	

Music Publishing OIBDA decreased by \$4 million, or 17%, to \$20 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$24 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 as a result of lower Music Publishing revenue and higher proportionate artist and repertoire costs noted above. Expressed as a percentage of Music Publishing revenue, Music Publishing OIBDA decreased to 16% for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from 18% for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

Music Publishing operating income decreased by \$3 million, or 50%, to \$3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 due to the factors that led to the decrease in Music Publishing OIBDA noted above.

Corporate Expenses and Eliminations

Our OIBDA loss from corporate expenses and eliminations decreased by \$9 million to \$20 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$29 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 due to a decline in rent expense associated with moving to our new headquarters and the current year benefit of ongoing cost containment initiatives.

Our operating loss from corporate expenses and eliminations decreased by \$9 million to \$23 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$32 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 due to the factors that led to the decrease in OIBDA loss noted above.

Nine Months Ended June 30, 2015 Compared with Nine Months Ended June 30, 2014

Consolidated Results

Revenues

Our revenues were composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Nine Months Ended							
	June 30, 2015	2014	2015 vs \$ Chang		ge			
Revenue by Type								
Physical	\$611	\$620	\$(9)	-2	%			
Digital	839	828	11	1	%			
Total Physical and Digital	1,450	1,448	2	0	%			
Artist services and expanded-rights	204	238	(34)	-14	%			
Licensing	216	196	20	10	%			
Total Recorded Music	1,870	1,882	(12)	-1	%			
Performance	138	150	(12)	-8	%			
Mechanical	68	80	(12)	-15	%			
Digital	71	71			%			
Synchronization	75	78	(3)	-4	%			
Other	7	8	(1)	-13	%			
Total Music Publishing	359	387	(28)	-7	%			
Intersegment eliminations	(13)	(13)			%			
Total Revenue	\$2,216	\$2,256	\$(40)	-2	%			
Revenue by Geographical Location								
U.S. Recorded Music	\$718	\$702	\$16	2	%			
U.S. Music Publishing	141	144	(3)	-2	%			
Total U.S.	859	846	13	2	%			
International Recorded Music	1,152	1,180	(28)	-2	%			
International Music Publishing	218	243	(25)	-10	%			
Total International	1,370	1,423	(53)	-4	%			
Intersegment eliminations	(13)	(13)		_	%			
Total Revenue	\$2,216	\$2,256	\$(40)	-2	%			

Total Revenue

Total revenue decreased by \$40 million, or 2%, to \$2,216 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$2,256 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, total revenue increased by \$122 million, or 6%. Prior to intersegment eliminations, Recorded Music and Music Publishing revenues represented 84% and 16% of total revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and 83% and 17% of total revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 2014, respectively. Prior to intersegment eliminations, U.S. and international revenues represented 39% and 61% of total revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and 37% and 63% of total revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Total digital revenue after intersegment eliminations increased by \$11 million, or 1%, to \$906 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$895 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, total digital revenue after intersegment eliminations increased by \$58 million, or 7%. Total digital revenue represented 41% and 40% of consolidated revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. Prior to intersegment eliminations, total digital revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 was comprised of U.S. revenue of \$457 million and international revenue of \$453 million, or 50% and 50% of total digital revenue, respectively. Prior to intersegment eliminations, total digital revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 was comprised of U.S. revenue of \$450 million and international revenue of \$449 million, or 50% and 50% of total digital revenue, respectively.

Recorded Music revenue decreased by \$12 million, or 1%, to \$1,870 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$1,882 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, Recorded Music revenue increased by \$122 million, or 7%. U.S. Recorded Music revenues were \$718 million and \$702 million, or 38% and 37%, of consolidated Recorded Music revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. International Recorded Music revenues were \$1,152 million and \$1,180 million, or 62% and 63%, of consolidated Recorded Music revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

The overall decrease in Recorded Music revenue was mainly driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, physical revenue, digital revenue and licensing revenue all increased partially offset by decreases from artist services and expanded-rights revenue. The physical revenue decrease of \$9 million, or increase of \$40 million excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, was driven by physically-centric releases from key artists such as Josh Groban, Pink Floyd and Led Zeppelin, as well as local releases in physically-centric territories such as France. Digital revenue increased by \$11 million, or \$55 million excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, as a result of strong releases from Ed Sheeran, David Guetta and Wiz Khalifa, as well as the carryover success of Ed Sheeran's album "x" and Michael Bublé's "Christmas", and the continued growth in streaming. Revenue from streaming services grew by \$73 million and was partially offset by digital download declines of \$52 million. Licensing revenue increased by \$20 million as a result of increased synchronization activity in the year as well as the inclusion of PLG repertoire in broadcast fee income for the first time since the PLG Acquisition in certain territories. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in artist services and expanded-rights revenue, driven by declines in concert promotion revenue in Europe due to the timing of tours. The comparative prior period included significant tours from Ligabue, Bruno Mars and Laura Pausini.

Music Publishing revenues decreased by \$28 million, or 7%, to \$359 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$387 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, Music Publishing revenue remained flat. U.S. Music Publishing revenues were \$141 million and \$144 million, or 39% and 37%, of Music Publishing revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. International Music Publishing revenues were \$218 million and \$243 million, or 61% and 63%, of Music Publishing revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

Music Publishing digital revenue remained flat while we saw decreases in performance revenue of \$12 million, mechanical revenue of \$12 million, synchronization revenue of \$3 million and other revenue of \$1 million. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, digital revenue increased by \$3 million primarily due to an increase in streaming services revenue of \$8 million. The offsetting decrease in performance revenue and mechanical revenue is attributable to an ongoing shift towards digital products in the industry.

Revenue by Geographical Location

U.S. revenue increased by \$13 million, or 2%, to \$859 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$846 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. U.S. Recorded Music revenue increased by \$16 million or 2%. The primary drivers were increases in digital revenue of \$8 million, licensing revenue of \$5 million, and artist services and expanded-rights revenue of \$3 million. Physical revenue remained flat at \$189 million. U.S. Recorded Music digital revenue increased due to strong releases and the continued growth in streaming services. U.S. Music Publishing revenue decreased by \$3 million.

International revenue decreased by \$53 million, or 4%, to \$1,370 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$1,423 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Excluding the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, International revenue increased by \$109 million, or 9%. International Recorded Music revenue

decreased \$28 million primarily due to decreases in physical revenue of \$9 million and artist services and expanded-rights revenue of \$37 million, partially offset by increases in digital revenue of \$3 million, and licensing revenue of \$15 million. International Recorded Music physical revenue decreased due to the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates of \$49 million, partially offset by the success of key physically-centric international artists such as Pink Floyd and Led Zeppelin as well as local release success in France. International Recorded Music artist services and expanded-rights revenue decreased \$11 million due to declines in concert promotion revenue in Europe due to the timing of tours and decreased \$26 million due to the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates. The main driver of the increase in International Recorded Music digital revenue was a \$44 million increase in streaming services revenue due to the increasing availability of streaming access models internationally and strong releases from Ed Sheeran, David Guetta, and Wiz Khalifa. This growth in streaming was partially offset by a \$32 million decline in digital download revenue. The main driver of the increase in International Recorded Music licensing revenue was the inclusion of PLG repertoire in broadcast fee income and the timing of collection society distributions. The decrease in International Music Publishing revenue of \$25 million was due to the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates.

Cost of revenues

Our cost of revenues was composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Months				
	June 30.	, 2014	2015 vs \$ Chan		ige
Artist and repertoire costs	\$752	\$753	\$(1)	0	%
Product costs	384	424	(40)	-9	%
Total cost of revenues	\$1,136	\$1,177	\$(41)	-4	%

Total cost of revenues decreased by \$41 million to \$1,136 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$1,177 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Expressed as a percentage of revenues, cost of revenues decreased to 51% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 52% for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Artist and repertoire costs decreased by \$1 million to \$752 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$753 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Artist and repertoire costs as a percentage of revenue increased slightly to 34% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 33% for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Product costs decreased by \$40 million, or 9%, to \$384 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$424 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Product costs as a percentage of revenue decreased to 17% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 19% for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. The decrease was primarily driven by lower costs associated with artist services and expanded-rights revenue, specifically the decline in concert promotion revenue, which tends to have higher costs and yield lower margins than our traditional revenue streams.

Selling, general and administrative expense

Our selling, general and administrative expenses were composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Nine Months Ended				
	June 3	30,	2015 vs	s. 2014	
	2015	2014	\$ Chan	g eChar	ıge
General and administrative expense (1)	\$429	\$496	\$(67)	-14	%
Selling and marketing expense	326	344	(18)	-5	%
Distribution expense	44	45	(1)	-2	%
Total selling, general and administrative expense	\$799	\$885	\$(86)	-10	%

(1) Includes depreciation expense of \$42 million and \$39 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

Total selling, general and administrative expense decreased by \$86 million, or 10%, to \$799 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$885 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Expressed as a percentage of revenues, selling, general and administrative expense decreased to 36% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 39% for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

General and administrative expense declined by \$67 million, or 14%, to \$429 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$496 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. The decline in general and administrative expense was primarily due to a decline in restructuring costs of \$34 million, decreased professional fees and other integration costs primarily associated with the PLG Acquisition of \$47 million and savings resulting from cost containment initiatives. These decreases were partially offset by increased variable compensation expense of \$21 million, due to non-recurring performance driven reductions in bonus expense in the prior year. General and administrative expense decreased to 19% of revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 22% of revenue for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Selling and marketing expense decreased by \$18 million, or 5%, to \$326 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$344 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Expressed as a percentage of revenue, selling and marketing expense remained flat at 15% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Distribution expense decreased by \$1 million, or 2%, to \$44 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$45 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Expressed as a percentage of revenue, distribution expense remained flat at 2% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014.

Reconciliation of Consolidated OIBDA to Operating Income and Net Loss Attributable to Warner Music Group Corp.

As previously described, we use OIBDA as our primary measure of financial performance. The following table reconciles OIBDA to operating income, and further provides the components from operating income to net loss attributable to Warner Music Group Corp. for purposes of the discussion that follows (in millions):

	For the Nine Months Ended			
	June 30,	2015 vs	. 2014	
	2015 2014	\$ Chang	% Chan	ge
OIBDA	\$323 \$233	\$90	39	%
Depreciation expense	(42) (39)	(3)	-8	%
Amortization expense	(191) (199)	8	4	%
Operating income (loss)	90 (5)	95		%
Loss on extinguishment of debt	— (141)	141	100	%
Interest expense, net	(136) (157)	21	13	%
Other expense, net	(12) (3)	(9)		%
Loss before income taxes	(58) (306)	248	81	%
Income tax (expense) benefit	(7) 27	(34)	-126	%
Net loss	(65) (279)	214	77	%
Less: Income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(3) (3)	—	—	%
Net loss attributable to Warner Music Group Corp.	\$(68) \$(282)	\$214	76	%

OIBDA

OIBDA increased by \$90 million, or 39%, to \$323 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 as compared to \$233 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 as a result of continued cost containment initiatives and lower restructuring and integration costs related to the PLG Acquisition. Expressed as a percentage of total revenue, OIBDA increased to 15% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 10% for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Depreciation expense

Our depreciation expense increased by \$3 million, or 8%, to \$42 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$39 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014, primarily as a result of depreciation relating to our new headquarters.

Amortization expense

Our amortization expense decreased by \$8 million, or 4%, to \$191 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$199 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 largely due to the impact of foreign currency exchange rates.

Operating income (loss)

Our operating income increased by \$95 million to \$90 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from an operating loss of \$5 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. The increase in operating income was due to the factors that led to the increase in OIBDA noted above.

Loss on extinguishment of debt

On April 9, 2014, we completed the 2014 Refinancing. We made a redemption payment of \$869 million, which included the repayment of our previously outstanding \$765 million 11.5% Senior Notes due 2018, tender/call premiums of \$85 million and consent fees of \$19 million. As a result, we recorded a \$141 million loss on the extinguishment of debt for the nine months ended June 30, 2014, which represents the difference between the redemption payment and the carrying value of the debt, including unamortized discounts of \$13 million and unamortized debt and issuance costs of \$24 million as of the refinancing date.

Interest expense, net

Our interest expense, net, decreased by \$21 million, or 13%, to \$136 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$157 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. This was primarily driven by lower interest rates as a result of our refinancing in fiscal 2014 partially offset by additional principal amount of debt outstanding in the current period.

Other expense

Other expense primarily consists of currency exchange movements associated with our Euro denominated debt and intercompany receivables and payables that are short term in nature. The current year expense is primarily due to currency exchange gains on our Euro denominated debt of \$25 million, offset by losses on our intercompany loans of \$42 million.

Income tax (expense) benefit

Our income tax expense increased \$34 million to \$7 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$27 million of income tax benefit for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. The increase of \$34 million in the income tax expense primarily relates to a lower pretax loss and the impact of the losses in certain jurisdictions for which no tax benefit could be recorded for the nine months ended June 30, 2015.

Net loss

Net loss decreased by \$214 million, or 77%, to \$65 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$279 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 as a result of the factors described above.

Noncontrolling interest

Income attributable to noncontrolling interest was \$3 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and \$3 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Business Segment Results

Revenue, OIBDA and operating income (loss) by business segment were as follows (in millions):

For the Nine Months Ended					
June 30, 2015 vs. 2014				ge.	
2013	2014	ψ Chang	c Chan	gc	
\$1,870	\$1,882	\$(12)	-1	%	
302	203	99	49	%	
130	27	103		%	
359	387	(28)	-7	%	
88	98	(10)	-10	%	
	Months June 30, 2015 \$1,870 302 130 359	Months Ended June 30, 2015 2014 \$1,870 \$1,882 302 203 130 27 359 387	Months Ended June 30, 2015 vs. 2015 2014 \$ Change \$1,870 \$1,882 \$(12) 302 203 99 130 27 103 359 387 (28)	Months Ended June 30, 2015 vs. 2014 2015 2014 \$ Change Chan \$1,870 \$1,882 \$(12) -1 302 203 99 49 130 27 103 — 359 387 (28) -7	

Operating income	36		45		(9)	-20	%
Corporate expenses and eliminations							
Revenue elimination	(13)	(13)			%
OIBDA	(67)	(68)	1	2	%
Operating loss	(76)	(77)	1	1	%
Total							
Revenue	2,216	6	2,25	6	(40)	-2	%
OIBDA	323		233		90	39	%
Operating income (loss)	90		(5)	95		%

Recorded Music

Revenues

Recorded Music revenue decreased by \$12 million, or 1%, to \$1,870 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$1,882 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. U.S. Recorded Music revenues were \$718 million and \$702 million, or 38% and 37% of consolidated Recorded Music revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. International Recorded Music revenues were \$1,152 million and \$1,180 million, or 62% and 63% of consolidated Recorded Music revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

The overall decrease in Recorded Music revenue was mainly driven by unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates as described in the "Total Revenues" and "Revenue by Geographical Location" sections above.

Cost of revenues

Recorded Music cost of revenues was composed of the following amounts (in millions):

	For th Month Ended				
	,		2015 vs \$ Chang	-	ige
Artist and repertoire costs	\$541	\$529	\$12	2	%
Product costs	384	424	(40)	-9	%
Total cost of revenues	\$925	\$953	\$(28)	-3	%

Recorded Music cost of revenues decreased by \$28 million, or 3%, to \$925 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$953 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. The increase in artist and repertoire costs was primarily due to higher spend on developing unproven artists. The decrease in product costs was primarily driven by lower costs associated with artist services and expanded-rights revenue, specifically the decline in concert promotion revenue, which tends to have higher costs and yield lower margins than our traditional revenue streams. Expressed as a percentage of Recorded Music revenue, Recorded Music cost of revenues decreased to 50% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 51% for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Selling, general and administrative expense

Recorded Music selling, general and administrative expenses were composed of the following amounts (in millions):

For the Nine 2015 vs. 2014
Months
Ended

	June 30,					
	2015	2014	\$ Chan	g eChar	nge	
General and administrative expense (1)	\$306	\$367	\$(61)	-17	%	
Selling and marketing expense	322	340	(18)	-5	%	
Distribution expense	44	45	(1)	-2	%	
Total selling, general and administrative expense	\$672	\$752	\$(80)	-11	%	

(1) Includes depreciation expense of \$29 million and \$26 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

Recorded Music selling, general and administrative expense decreased by \$80 million, or 11%, to \$672 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$752 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. The decrease in Recorded Music general and administrative expense was primarily due to a decline in restructuring costs of \$36 million, decreased professional fees and other integration costs primarily associated with the PLG Acquisition of \$47 million and cost savings related to cost containment initiatives, partially offset by increased variable compensation expense of \$21 million, primarily due to non-recurring performance driven reductions in bonus expense in the prior year. Expressed as a percentage of Recorded Music revenue, Recorded Music selling, general and administrative expense decreased to 36% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 40% for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

OIBDA and Operating income

Recorded Music operating income included the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Months Ended				
	June 30	•		rs. 2014	
	2015	2014	\$ Char	n ge Chan	ge
OIBDA	\$302	\$203	\$99	49	%
Depreciation and amortization	(172)	(176)	4	2	%
Operating income	\$130	\$27	\$103	_	%

Recorded Music OIBDA increased by \$99 million, or 49%, to \$302 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$203 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 as a result of decreased restructuring and other integration costs related to the PLG Acquisition. Expressed as a percentage of Recorded Music revenue, Recorded Music OIBDA increased to 16% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 11% for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Recorded Music operating income increased by \$103 million to \$130 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$27 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 due to the factors that led to the increase in Recorded Music OIBDA noted above.

Music Publishing

Revenues

Music Publishing revenues decreased by \$28 million, or 7%, to \$359 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$387 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. U.S. Music Publishing revenues were \$141 million and \$144 million, or 39% and 37%, of Music Publishing revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively. International Music Publishing revenues were \$218 million and \$243 million, or 61% and 63%, of Music Publishing revenues for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, respectively.

The overall decrease in Music Publishing revenue was mainly driven by the unfavorable impact of foreign currency exchange rates, which resulted in decreases in performance revenue and mechanical revenue offset by an increase in digital revenue as described in the "Total Revenues" and "Revenue by Geographical Location" sections above.

Cost of revenues

Music Publishing cost of revenues was composed of the following amounts (in millions):

For the Nine	2015 vs. 2014
Months	
Ended	

June 30,							
	2015	2014	\$ Chang	& Chan	ige		
Artist and repertoire costs	\$224	\$237	\$(13)	-6	%		
Total cost of revenues	\$224	\$237	\$(13)	-6	%		

Music Publishing cost of revenues decreased by \$13 million, or 6%, to \$224 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$237 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014, primarily driven by the decrease in revenue. Expressed as a percentage of Music Publishing revenue, Music Publishing cost of revenues increased to 62% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from 61% for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

Selling, general and administrative expense

Music Publishing selling, general and administrative expenses were comprised of the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Month Ended				
	June 30,		2015 v	s. 2014	
	2015 2014		4 \$ Char@cChan		ge
General and administrative expense (1)	\$ 50	\$ 55	\$(5)	-9	%
Selling and marketing expense	1	1			%
Total selling, general and administrative expense	\$ 51	\$ 56	\$(5)	-9	%

(1) Includes depreciation expense of \$4 million for both the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014. Music Publishing selling, general and administrative expense decreased by \$5 million, or 9%, to \$51 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$56 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. Expressed as a percentage of Music Publishing revenue, Music Publishing selling, general and administrative expense remained flat at 14% for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014.

OIBDA and Operating income

Music Publishing operating income included the following amounts (in millions):

	For the Month Ended	ıs			
	June 3	*	2015 vs		
	2015	2014	\$ Chan	ge Char	ıge
OIBDA	\$88	\$98	\$(10)	-10	%
Depreciation and amortization	(52)	(53)	1	2	%
Operating income	\$36	\$45	\$(9)	-20	%

Music Publishing OIBDA decreased by \$10 million, or 10%, to \$88 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$98 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 as a result of lower Music Publishing revenue noted above. Expressed as a percentage of Music Publishing revenue, Music Publishing OIBDA remained flat at 25% for both the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014.

Music Publishing operating income decreased by \$9 million, or 20%, to \$36 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$45 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 due to the factors that led to the decrease in Music Publishing OIBDA noted above.

Corporate Expenses and Eliminations

Our OIBDA loss from corporate expenses and eliminations decreased by \$1 million, or 2%, to \$67 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$68 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 due to cost containment initiatives offset by variable compensation.

Our operating loss from corporate expenses and eliminations decreased by \$1 million, or 1%, to \$76 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 from \$77 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY

Financial Condition at June 30, 2015

At June 30, 2015, we had \$2.996 billion of debt, \$168 million of cash and equivalents (net debt of \$2.828 billion, defined as total long-term debt, including the current portion, less cash and equivalents) and \$254 million of Warner Music Group Corp. equity. This compares to \$3.030 billion of debt, \$157 million of cash and equivalents (net debt of \$2.873 billion) and \$371 million of Warner Music Group Corp. equity at September 30, 2014.

The \$117 million decrease in Warner Music Group Corp.'s equity during the nine months ended June 30, 2015 was due to our \$68 million net loss and foreign currency adjustments of \$49 million.

Cash Flows

The following table summarizes our historical cash flows. The financial data for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014 are unaudited and are derived from our interim financial statements included elsewhere herein. The cash flow is composed of the following (in millions):

	For the Nine Months Ended	
	June 3 2015	· ·
Cash provided by (used in):		
Operating Activities	\$118	\$41
Investing Activities	(79)	(92)
Financing Activities	(15)	43

Operating Activities

Cash provided by operating activities was \$118 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 as compared with cash provided by operating activities of \$41 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. The primary drivers of the \$77 million increase in cash provided by operating activities were an increase in comparative OIBDA of \$90 million and lower comparative cash interest payments of \$31 million due to our lower cost of debt. Offsetting this was the final PLG Acquisition cash payment and declines in deferred revenue and accounts receivable as a source of cash due to the timing of contractual advances on large digital service deals.

Investing Activities

Cash used in investing activities was \$79 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 as compared with cash used in investing activities of \$92 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2014. The \$79 million of cash used in investing activities in the nine months ended June 30, 2015 consisted of \$16 million of business acquisitions, \$12 million to acquire music publishing rights and \$51 million of capital expenditures. The \$92 million of cash used in investing activities in the nine months ended June 30, 2014 consisted of \$26 million of business acquisitions, \$20 million to acquire music publishing rights and \$46 million of capital expenditures.

Financing Activities

Cash used in financing activities was \$15 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$43 million of cash provided by financing activities for the nine months ended June 30, 2014.

The \$15 million of cash used in financing activities for the nine months ended June 30, 2015 represented \$10 million in amortization payments on the Senior Term Loan Facility, \$2 million repayment on our capital lease obligation and a \$3 million distribution to our non-controlling interest holders.

The \$43 million of cash used in financing activities for the nine months ended June 30, 2014 includes the \$54 million net proceeds from the 2014 Refinancing, which included proceeds from the issuance of \$935 million in new notes offset by \$765 million in repayment of principal debt, \$104 million of premiums and consent fees and \$12 million of deferred financing costs. It also included \$7 million in amortization payments on the Senior Term Loan Facility, a \$2

million repayment on our capital lease obligation and a \$2 million distribution to our non-controlling interest holders.

The \$258 million proceeds from the Revolving Credit Facility during the nine months ended June 30, 2015 were an aggregate of all drawdowns during the current period. Individual amounts were drawn and repaid in full during the current period, with no Revolving Credit Facility balance outstanding at June 30, 2015. Amounts were drawn during the current period to supplement short-term U.S. operating liquidity needs throughout the period. As of June 30, 2015, a significant portion of our operating cash balance resided outside of our U.S. operating companies.

Liquidity

Our primary sources of liquidity are the cash flows generated from our subsidiaries' operations, available cash and equivalents and funds available for drawing under our Revolving Credit Facility. These sources of liquidity are needed to fund our debt service requirements, working capital requirements, capital expenditure requirements, strategic acquisitions and investments, and any dividends, prepayments of debt or repurchases of our outstanding notes in open market purchases, privately negotiated purchases or otherwise, we may elect to pay or make in the future. We believe that our existing sources of cash will be sufficient to support our existing operations over the next fiscal year.

Existing Debt as of June 30, 2015

As of June 30, 2015, our long-term debt, including the current portion, was as follows (in millions):

Revolving Credit Facility—Acquisition Corp. (a)	\$—
Senior Term Loan Facility due 2020—Acquisition Corp. (b)	1,285
5.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2022—Acquisition Corp.	275
6.00% Senior Secured Notes due 2021—Acquisition Corp.	450
6.25% Senior Secured Notes due 2021—Acquisition Corp. (c)	176
6.75% Senior Notes due 2022—Acquisition Corp.	660
13.75% Senior Notes due 2019—Holdings	150
Total long-term debt, including the current portion	\$2,996

- (a) Reflects \$150 million of commitments under the Revolving Credit Facility, less letters of credit outstanding of approximately \$5 million at June 30, 2015. There were no loans outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility at June 30, 2015.
- (b) Principal amount of \$1.290 billion less unamortized discount of \$5 million at June 30, 2015. Of this amount, \$13 million, representing the scheduled amortization of the Term Loan, was included in the current portion of long-term debt at June 30, 2015.
- (c) Face amount of €158 million. Above amount represents the dollar equivalent of such notes at June 30, 2015. For further discussion of our debt agreements, please see "Liquidity" in the "Financial Condition and Liquidity" section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014.

Covenant Compliance

The Company was in compliance with its covenants under its outstanding notes, Revolving Credit Facility and Senior Term Loan Facility as of June 30, 2015.

Our Revolving Credit Facility contains a springing leverage ratio that is tied to a ratio based on Consolidated EBITDA, which is defined under the Credit Agreement governing the Revolving Credit Facility. Our ability to borrow funds under our Revolving Credit Facility may depend upon our ability to meet the leverage ratio test at the end of a fiscal quarter to the extent we have drawn a certain amount of revolving loans. Consolidated EBITDA differs from the term "EBITDA" as it is commonly used. For example, the definition of Consolidated EBITDA, in addition to adjusting net income to exclude interest expense, income taxes, and depreciation and amortization, also adjusts net income by excluding items or expenses not typically excluded in the calculation of "EBITDA" such as, among other items, (1) the amount of any restructuring charges or reserves; (2) any non-cash charges (including any impairment charges); (3) any

net loss resulting from hedging currency exchange risks; (4) the amount of management, monitoring, consulting and advisory fees paid to Access under the Management Agreement (as defined in the Credit Agreement); (5) business optimization expenses (including consolidation initiatives, severance costs and other costs relating to initiatives aimed at profitability improvement); (6) transaction expenses and (7) share-based compensation expense. It also includes an adjustment for the pro forma impact of certain projected cost-savings and synergies. The indentures governing our notes and our Senior Term Loan Facility use financial measures called "Consolidated EBITDA" or "EBITDA" that have the same definition as Consolidated EBITDA as defined under the Credit Agreement governing the Revolving Credit Facility.

Consolidated EBITDA is presented herein because it is a material component of the leverage ratio contained in our Revolving Credit Agreement. Non-compliance with the leverage ratio could result in the inability to use our Revolving Credit Facility, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position and cash flow. Consolidated EBITDA does not represent net income or cash from operating activities as those terms are defined by U.S. GAAP and does not necessarily indicate whether cash flows will be sufficient to fund cash needs. While Consolidated EBITDA and similar measures are frequently used as measures of operations and the ability to meet debt service requirements, these terms are not necessarily comparable to other similarly titled captions of other companies due to the potential inconsistencies in the method of calculation. Consolidated EBITDA does not reflect the impact of earnings or charges resulting from matters that we may consider not to be indicative of our ongoing operations. In particular, the definition of Consolidated EBITDA in the Revolving Credit Agreement allows us to add back certain non-cash, extraordinary, unusual or non-recurring charges that are deducted in calculating net income. However, these are expenses that may recur, vary greatly and are difficult to predict.

Consolidated EBITDA as presented below is not a measure of the performance of our business and should not be used by investors as an indicator of performance for any future period. Further, our debt instruments require that it be calculated for the most recent four fiscal quarters. As a result, the measure can be disproportionately affected by a particularly strong or weak quarter. Further, it may not be comparable to the measure for any subsequent four quarter period or any complete fiscal year. In addition, our debt instruments require that the leverage ratio be calculated on a pro forma basis for certain transactions including acquisitions as if such transactions had occurred on the first date of the measurement period and may include expected cost savings and synergies resulting from or related to any such transaction. There can be no assurances that any such cost savings or synergies will be achieved in full.

The following is a reconciliation of net loss, which is a U.S. GAAP measure of our operating results, to Consolidated EBITDA as defined, and the calculation of the Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Consolidated EBITDA ratio, which we refer to as the Leverage Ratio, under our Revolving Credit Agreement for the most recently ended four fiscal quarters, or twelve months ended June 30, 2015. The terms and related calculations are defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement. All amounts in the reconciliation below reflect WMG Acquisition Corp. (in millions, except ratio):

	Twelve Months	
	Ended	
	June 30, 2015	
Net Loss	\$ (71)
Income tax expense	9	
Interest expense, net	162	
Depreciation and amortization	316	
Restructuring costs (a)	22	
Net hedging and foreign exchange losses (b)	18	
Management fees (c)	9	
Transaction costs (d)	12	
Business optimization expenses (e)	11	
Share based compensation expense (f)	2	
Other non-cash charges (g)	9	
Gain on sale of marketable securities	(2)
Pro forma impact of specified transactions and	27	

cost containment initiatives (h)	
Pro Forma Consolidated EBITDA	\$ 524
Consolidated Funded Indebtedness (i)	\$ 2,756
Leverage Ratio (j)	5.26

- (a) Reflects severance costs and other restructuring related expenses.
- (b) Reflects net losses from hedging activities and unrealized losses due to foreign exchange.
- (c) Reflects management fees paid to Access, including an annual fee and related expenses (excludes expenses reimbursed related to certain consultants with full-time roles at the Company). Pursuant to the Company's and Holdings' management agreement with Access, the base amount of the annual fee is approximately \$9 million, subject to certain potential upward adjustments.
- (d) Reflects integration and other nonrecurring costs related to the PLG Acquisition.
- (e) Reflects primarily costs associated with IT systems updates.
- (f) Reflects compensation expense related to the Warner Music Group Corp. Senior Management Free Cash Flow Plan.
- (g) Reflects non-cash charges not included in other items above, including but not limited to loss on lease terminations.
- (h) Pro forma savings reflected in the table above relate to expected savings resulting from our cost containment initiatives.

- (i) Reflects the principal balance of external debt at Acquisition Corp. of approximately \$2.851 billion, plus the annualized daily Revolving Credit Facility borrowings of \$32 million, plus contractual obligations of deferred purchase price of \$4 million, plus contingent consideration related to acquisitions of \$2 million, plus the implied principal component under capital lease obligation of \$17 million, less cash of \$150 million.
- (j) Reflects the ratio of Consolidated Funded Indebtedness to Pro Forma Consolidated EBITDA as of the twelve months ended June 30, 2015. This is calculated net of cash and equivalents of the Company as of June 30, 2015 not exceeding \$150 million. If the outstanding aggregate principal amount of borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility is greater than \$30 million at the end of a fiscal quarter, the maximum leverage ratio permitted under our Revolving Credit Facility would have been 5.75x as of the quarter ending June 30, 2015. The maximum leverage ratio permitted will be 5.75x as of the end of each fiscal quarter of fiscal 2015. The Company's Revolving Credit Facility does not impose any "leverage ratio" restrictions on the Company when the aggregate principal amount of borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility is less than \$30 million at the end of a fiscal quarter.

Summary

Management believes that funds generated from our operations and borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility will be sufficient to fund our debt service requirements, working capital requirements and capital expenditure requirements for the foreseeable future. We also have additional borrowing capacity under our indentures and Senior Term Loan Facility. However, our ability to continue to fund these items and to reduce debt may be affected by general economic, financial, competitive, legislative and regulatory factors, as well as other industry-specific factors such as the ability to control music piracy and the continued transition from physical to digital sales in the recorded music business. We or any of our affiliates may also, from time to time depending on market conditions and prices, contractual restrictions, our financial liquidity and other factors, seek to prepay outstanding debt or repurchase Holdings' or Acquisition Corp.'s outstanding debt securities through open market purchases, privately negotiated purchases or otherwise. The amounts involved in any such transactions, individually or in the aggregate, may be material and may be funded from available cash or from additional borrowings. In addition, we may from time to time, depending on market conditions and prices, contractual restrictions, our financial liquidity and other factors, seek to refinance our Senior Credit Facilities or our or Holdings' outstanding debt securities with existing cash and/or with funds provided from additional borrowings.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

As discussed in Note 14 to our audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, the Company is exposed to market risk arising from changes in market rates and prices, including movements in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. As of June 30, 2015, other than as described below, there have been no material changes to the Company's exposure to market risk since September 30, 2014.

Foreign Currency Risk

Within our global business operations we have transactional exposures that may be adversely affected by changes in foreign currency exchange rates relative to the U.S. dollar. We may at times choose to use foreign exchange currency derivatives, primarily forward contracts, to manage the risk associated with the volatility of future cash flows denominated in foreign currencies, such as unremitted or future royalties and license fees owed to our U.S. domestic companies for the sale, or anticipated sale, of U.S.-copyrighted products sold abroad, that may be adversely affected by changes in foreign currency exchange rates. We focus on managing the level of exposure to the risk of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations on major currencies, which can include the British Pound, Euro, Japanese Yen, Canadian dollar, Swedish Krona and Australian Dollar, and in many cases we have natural hedges where we have expenses associated with local operations that offset the revenue in local currency and our Euro-denominated debt, which can offset declines in the Euro. As of June 30, 2015, the Company had outstanding hedge contracts for the sale of \$103 million and the purchase of \$63 million of foreign currencies at fixed rates. Subsequent to June 30, 2015, certain of our foreign exchange contracts expired and were renewed with new foreign exchange contracts with similar features.

The fair value of foreign exchange contracts is subject to changes in foreign currency exchange rates. For the purpose of assessing the specific risks, we use a sensitivity analysis to determine the effects that market risk exposures may have on the fair value of our financial instruments. For foreign exchange forward contracts outstanding at June 30, 2015, assuming a hypothetical 10% depreciation of the U.S. dollar against foreign currencies from prevailing foreign currency exchange rates and assuming no change in interest rates, the fair value of the foreign exchange forward contracts would have decreased by \$4 million. Because our foreign exchange contracts are entered into for hedging purposes, these losses would be largely offset by gains on the underlying transactions.

Interest Rate Risk

We had \$3.001 billion of principal debt outstanding at June 30, 2015, of which \$1.290 billion was variable rate debt and \$1.711 billion was fixed rate debt. As such, we are exposed to changes in interest rates. At June 30, 2015, 57% of the Company's debt was at a fixed rate. In addition, at June 30, 2015, all of our floating rate debt under our Senior Term Loan Facility was subject to a LIBOR floor of 1.0%, which is in excess of the current LIBOR rate. The LIBOR floor has effectively turned these LIBOR loans into fixed rate debt until such time as the LIBOR rate moves higher than the floor.

Based on the level of interest rates prevailing at June 30, 2015, the fair value of the fixed rate and variable rate debt was approximately \$3.001 billion. Further, based on the amount of its fixed rate debt, a 25 basis point increase or decrease in the level of interest rates would decrease or increase the fair value of the fixed rate debt by approximately \$17 million. Due to the LIBOR floor of 1.0%, a 25 basis point increase or decrease in the level of interest rates would have no impact on the fair value of the Company's variable rate debt. This potential increase or decrease is based on the simplified assumption that the level of fixed-rate debt remains constant with an immediate across the board increase or decrease in the level of interest rates with no subsequent changes in rates for the remainder of the period.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES Certification

The certifications of the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer (or persons performing similar functions) required by Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Certifications") are filed as exhibits to this report. This section of the report contains the information concerning the evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) ("Disclosure Controls") and changes to internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) ("Internal Controls") referred to in the Certifications and this information should be read in conjunction with the Certifications for a more complete understanding of the topics presented.

Introduction

The Securities and Exchange Commission's rules define "disclosure controls and procedures" as controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by public companies in the reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by public companies in the reports that they file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to a company's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

The Securities and Exchange Commission's rules define "internal control over financial reporting" as a process designed by, or under the supervision of, a public company's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by our board of directors, management and other personnel, 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, or U.S. GAAP, including those policies and procedures that: (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company, (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Company and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Our management, including the principal executive officer and principal financial officer, does not expect that our Disclosure Controls or Internal Controls will prevent or detect all error and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Because of the limitations in any and all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within our company have been detected. Further, the design of any control system is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Because of these inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected even when effective Disclosure Controls and Internal Controls are in place.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Based on our management's evaluation (with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer), as of the end of the period covered by this report, our principal executive officer and principal financial

officer have concluded that our Disclosure Controls are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act will be recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms, including that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in our Internal Controls over financial reporting or other factors during the quarter ended June 30, 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our Internal Controls.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS Pricing of Digital Music Downloads

On December 20, 2005 and February 3, 2006, the Attorney General of the State of New York served the Company with requests for information in connection with an industry-wide investigation as to the pricing of digital music downloads. On February 28, 2006, the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice served us with a Civil Investigative Demand, also seeking information relating to the pricing of digitally downloaded music. Both investigations were ultimately closed, but subsequent to the announcements of the investigations, more than thirty putative class action lawsuits were filed concerning the pricing of digital music downloads. The lawsuits were consolidated in the Southern District of New York. The consolidated amended complaint, filed on April 13, 2007, alleges conspiracy among record companies to delay the release of their content for digital distribution, inflate their pricing of CDs and fix prices for digital downloads. The complaint seeks unspecified compensatory, statutory and treble damages. On October 9, 2008, the District Court issued an order dismissing the case as to all defendants, including us. However, on January 12, 2010, the Second Circuit vacated the judgment of the District Court and remanded the case for further proceedings and on January 10, 2011, the Supreme Court denied the defendants' petition for Certiorari.

Upon remand to the District Court, all defendants, including the Company, filed a renewed motion to dismiss challenging, among other things, plaintiffs' state law claims and standing to bring certain claims. The renewed motion was based mainly on arguments made in defendants' original motion to dismiss, but not addressed by the District Court. On July 18, 2011, the District Court granted defendants' motion in part, and denied it in part. Notably, all claims on behalf of the CD-purchaser class were dismissed with prejudice. However, a wide variety of state and federal claims remain for the class of internet download purchasers. Plaintiffs filed an operative consolidated amended complaint on August 31, 2011. Pursuant to the terms of an August 15, 2011 stipulation and order, the case is currently in discovery. Disputes regarding the scope of discovery are ongoing. Plaintiffs filed a Class Certification brief on March 14, 2014. The Company's reply date has not yet been set. The Company intends to defend against these lawsuits vigorously, but is unable to predict the outcome of these suits. Regardless of the merits of the claims, this and any related litigation could continue to be costly, and divert the time and resources of management. The potential outcomes of these claims that are reasonably possible cannot be determined at this time and an estimate of the reasonably possible loss or range of loss cannot presently be made.

Other Matters

In addition to the matters discussed above, the Company is involved in various litigation and regulatory proceedings arising in the normal course of business. Where it is determined, in consultation with counsel based on litigation and settlement risks, that a loss is probable and estimable in a given matter, the Company establishes an accrual. In none of the currently pending proceedings is the amount of accrual material. An estimate of the reasonably possible loss or range of loss in excess of the amounts already accrued cannot be made at this time due to various factors typical in contested proceedings, including (1) the results of ongoing discovery; (2) uncertain damage theories and demands; (3) a less than complete factual record; (4) uncertainty concerning legal theories and their resolution by courts or regulators; and (5) the unpredictable nature of the opposing party and its demands. However, the Company cannot predict with certainty the outcome of any litigation or the potential for future litigation. As such, the Company continuously monitors these proceedings as they develop and adjusts any accrual or disclosure as needed. Regardless of the outcome, litigation could have an adverse impact on the Company, including the Company's brand value, because of defense costs, diversion of management resources and other factors and it could have a material effect on

the Company's results of operations for a given reporting period.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, certain risk factors should be considered carefully in evaluating our business. A wide range of risks may affect our business and financial results, now and in the future. We consider the risks described in Part I, Item 1A "Risk Factors" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014, to be the most significant. There may be other currently unknown or unpredictable economic, business, competitive, regulatory or other factors that could have material adverse effects on our future results.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS Not applicable.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES Not applicable.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES Not applicable.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION Not Applicable

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

The agreements and other documents filed as exhibits to this report are not intended to provide factual information or other disclosure other than with respect to the terms of the agreements or other documents themselves, and you should not rely on them for that purpose. In particular, any representations and warranties made by us in these agreements or other documents were made solely within the specific context of the relevant agreement or document and may not describe the actual state of affairs as of the date they were made or at any other time.

Exhibit

Number Description

- 10.1(1) Separation and Release Agreement, dated as of June 16, 2015, between Warner Music Group Corp. and Robert Wiesenthal
- 31.1* Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended
- 31.2* Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended
- 32.1** Certification of the Chief Executive Officer 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 the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 101.1* Financial statements from the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Warner Music Group Corp. for the quarter ended June 30, 2015, filed on August 6, 2015, formatted in XBRL: (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) Consolidated Statements of Operations, (iii) Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Loss, (iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, (v) Consolidated Statements of Equity and (vi) Notes to Consolidated Interim Financial Statements

*Filed herewith

- **Pursuant to SEC Release No. 33-8212, this certification will be treated as "accompanying" this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and not "filed" as part of such report for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended, and this certification will not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except to the extent that the registrant specifically incorporates it by reference
- (1) Incorporated by reference to Warner Music Group Corp.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 17, 2015 (File No. 001-32502)

SIGNATURES

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

August 6, 2015

Warner Music Group Corp.

By: /S/ STEPHEN COOPER

Name: Stephen Cooper

Title: Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

By: /s/ ERIC LEVIN

Name: Eric Levin

Title: Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial

Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)