

Match Group Reports Third Quarter 2020 Results

Dallas, TX—November 4, 2020—Match Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: MTCH; "Match Group" or "Company") reported third quarter 2020 financial results today and separately posted a Letter to Shareholders on the Investor Relations section of its website at https://ir.mtch.com.

Q3 2020 HIGHLIGHTS

- Total revenue grew 18% over the prior year quarter to \$640 million.
- Operating income was \$200 million, an increase of 14% over the prior year quarter for an operating margin of 31%.
- Adjusted EBITDA was \$249 million, an increase of 21% over the prior year quarter representing an Adjusted EBITDA margin of 39%.
- Average Subscribers increased 12% to 10.8 million, up from 9.6 million in the prior year quarter. ARPU was \$0.62, an increase of 4% over the prior year quarter.
- Tinder Direct Revenue grew 15% year-over-year, driven by 16% Average Subscriber growth to 6.6 million, partially offset by a 1% decline in ARPU.
- Non-Tinder brands collectively grew Direct Revenue 23% year-over-year, driven by growth in ARPU of 13%, Average Subscribers of 7%, and contributions from non-subscriber one-to-many video revenue, which launched earlier this year.
- Year-to-date operating cash flow and free cash flow both grew 11%, to \$519 million and \$486 million, respectively.

Key Financial and Operating Metrics

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Weighted average basic and diluted shares outstanding for all periods prior to the separation of Match Group from IAC/InterActiveCorp ("IAC") on June 30, 2020 reflect the share position of the Company formerly known as IAC/InterActiveCorp ("Former IAC"). See page 7 for additional information.

See reconciliations of GAAP to non-GAAP measures starting on page 9.

Revenue

(In thousands, except ARPU)	(Q3 2020	Q3 2019		Change
Direct Revenue:					
North America	\$	321,806	\$	268,863	20%
International		306,460		262,086	17%
Total Direct Revenue		628,266		530,949	18%
Indirect Revenue		11,504		10,544	9%
Total Revenue	\$	639,770	\$	541,493	18%
Average Subscribers					
North America		5,112		4,695	9%
International		5,684		4,917	16%
Total Average Subscribers		10,796		9,612	12%
(Change calculated using non-rounded numbers)					
ARPU					
North America	\$	0.66	\$	0.62	8%
International	\$	0.58	\$	0.57	1%
Total ARPU	\$	0.62	\$	0.59	4%

Growth in North America Average Subscribers was primarily driven by Tinder, Hinge, BLK, and Chispa. Growth in International Average Subscribers was primarily driven by Tinder, with growth at Pairs and Meetic also contributing. North America ARPU increased primarily due to increased purchases of à la carte features at Tinder, Hinge, and PlentyofFish, as well as optimized pricing at Hinge.

Operating Costs and Expenses

(In thousands)	 Q3 2020	% of Revenue	Q3 2019	% of Revenue	Change
Cost of revenue	\$ 169,823	27%	\$ 138,225	26%	23%
Selling and marketing expense	129,859	20%	113,581	21%	14%
General and administrative expense	88,961	14%	68,668	13%	30%
Product development expense	39,280	6%	36,609	7%	7%
Depreciation	11,221	2%	8,533	2%	32%
Amortization of intangibles	459	-%	641	-%	(28)%
Total operating costs and expenses	\$ 439,603	69%	\$ 366,257	68%	20%

Total operating costs and expenses increased 20% in total dollars and 1% as a percentage of revenue. Cost of revenue increased primarily due to an increase of in-app purchase fees and partner-related costs associated with one-to-many video. Total selling and marketing expense increased due to higher marketing spend to take advantage of favorable marketing rates available in the current environment. General and administrative expense increased primarily due to increased stock-based compensation due

to a modification charge, and increased headcount, partially offset by reductions in travel expenditures. Product development expense increased due to increased engineering-related headcount at Tinder.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

For the nine months ended September 30, 2020, we generated operating cash flow attributable to continuing operations of \$519 million and Free Cash Flow of \$486 million.

As of September 30, 2020, the Company had \$399 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$3.5 billion of long-term debt, including \$1.7 billion of Exchangeable Senior Notes. The Company's \$750 million revolving credit facility was undrawn as of September 30, 2020. The following table sets forth the trailing twelve-month leverage and trailing twelve-month leverage excluding the Exchangeable Senior Notes on a gross and net basis:

	March 31, 2020	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020
Trailing twelve-month leverage			
Gross basis	4.8x	4.8x	4.5x
Net basis	3.8x	4.6x	4.0x
Trailing twelve-month leverage exc	luding the Exchangeab	le Senior Notes	
Gross basis	2.7x	2.7x	2.6x
Net basis	1.7x	2.6x	2.1x

Income Taxes

In the third quarter of 2020 and 2019, Match Group recorded an income tax provision from continuing operations of \$24 million and \$1 million, for effective tax rates of 15% and 1%, respectively. The tax rate in both quarters benefited from excess tax benefits generated by the exercise or vesting of stock-based awards.

Conference Call

Match Group will audiocast a conference call to answer questions regarding its third quarter financial results on Thursday, November 5, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time. This call will include the disclosure of certain information, including forward-looking information, which may be material to an investor's understanding of Match Group's business. The live audiocast will be open to the public on Match Group's investor relations website at https://ir.mtch.com.

GAAP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MATCH GROUP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	Th	ree Months End	led S	d September 30, Nine Months End			ed Se	eptember 30,
		2020		2019		2020		2019
			(In thousands, ex	сер	t per share data)		
Revenue	\$	639,770	\$	541,493	\$	1,739,862	\$	1,504,091
Operating costs and expenses:								
Cost of revenue (exclusive of depreciation shown separately below)		169,823		138,225		462,570		385,114
Selling and marketing expense		129,859		113,581		345,150		327,132
General and administrative expense		88,961		68,668		236,484		187,135
Product development expense		39,280		36,609		124,979		113,563
Depreciation		11,221		8,533		30,284		25,578
Amortization of intangibles		459		641		7,262		1,464
Total operating costs and expenses	_	439,603	_	366,257	_	1,206,729	_	1,039,986
Operating income	_	200,167	_	175,236	_	533,133		464,105
Interest expense		(43,189)		(38,993)		(131,485)		(99,990)
Other (expense) income, net		(1,923)		2,788		19,341		3,838
Earnings from continuing operations, before tax		155,055		139,031		420,989		367,953
Income tax (provision) benefit		(23,568)		(1,240)		(7,257)		6,746
Net earnings from continuing operations		131,487		137,791		413,732		374,699
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax		508		21,981		(366,070)		44,849
Net earnings		131,995		159,772		47,662		419,548
Net loss (earnings) attributable to noncontrolling interests		586		(31,228)		(59,680)		(88,842)
Net earnings (loss) attributable to Match Group, Inc. shareholders	\$	132,581	\$	128,544	\$	(12,018)	\$	330,706
Net earnings per share from continuing operations:								
Basic	\$	0.51	\$	0.60	\$	1.69	\$	1.63
Diluted	\$	0.45	\$	0.52	\$	1.53	\$	1.42
Net earnings (loss) per share attributable to Match Group, Inc. shareholders:								
Basic	\$	0.51	\$	0.71	\$	(0.06)	\$	1.82
Diluted	\$	0.46	\$	0.63	\$	(0.10)	\$	1.60
Basic shares outstanding		260,744		182,154		209,113		181,624
Diluted shares outstanding		289,950		193,151		225,399		194,140
Stock-based compensation expense by function:								
Cost of revenue	\$	1,007	\$	919	\$	3,143	\$	2,860
Selling and marketing expense		1,402		1,199		3,844		3,925
General and administrative expense		26,870		10,854		48,385		33,915
Product development expense		8,056	_	7,833	_	25,275	_	30,117
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$	37,335	\$	20,805	\$	80,647	\$	70,817

MATCH GROUP CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents \$ 398,884 \$ Accounts receivable, net 199,682 Other current assets 139,593 Current assets of discontinued operations — Total current assets 738,159 Property and equipment, net 106,006 Goodwill 1,252,715	465,676 116,459 97,850 3,028,079 3,708,064 101,065 1,239,839
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Intangible assets, net 226,126	228,324
Deferred income taxes 236,500	192,496
Other non-current assets 110,586	64,232
Non-current assets of discontinued operations	2,830,783
TOTAL ASSETS \$ 2,670,092 \$	8,364,803
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable \$ 16,347 \$	20,191
Deferred revenue 240,954	218,843
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities 230,894	182,250
Current liabilities of discontinued operations —	588,896
Total current liabilities 488,195	1,010,180
Long-term debt, net 3,521,092	2,889,626
Income taxes payable 13,147	30,295
Deferred income taxes 17,721	18,285
Other long-term liabilities 70,258	26,158
Non-current liabilities of discontinued operations —	447,414
Redeemable noncontrolling interest 2,240	44,527
Commitment and contingencies	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	
Common stock 264	_
Former IAC common stock —	263
Former IAC class B convertible common stock —	16
Additional paid-in capital 7,296,618	11,683,799
Retained (deficit) earnings (8,631,705)	1,689,925
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (108,111)	(136,349)
Treasury stock	(10,309,612)
Total Match Group, Inc. shareholders' equity (1,442,934)	2,928,042
Noncontrolling interests <u>373</u>	970,276
Total shareholders' equity (1,442,561)	3,898,318
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY \$ 2,670,092 \$	8,364,803

MATCH GROUP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Nine Months 2020	Ended Sep	2019		
		thousands			
Cash flows from operating activities attributable to continuing operations:	(in	thousands	·)		
Net earnings from continuing operations	\$ 413,7	732 \$	374,699		
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings from continuing operations to net cash provided by operating activities attributable to continuing operations:	,,	,	51 ,,000		
Stock-based compensation expense	80,6	547	70,817		
Depreciation	30,2	284	25,578		
Amortization of intangibles	7,2	262	1,464		
Deferred income taxes	(6,5	594)	(26,184		
Other adjustments, net	57,0)42	22,912		
Changes in assets and liabilities					
Accounts receivable	(87,9) 20)	(68,557		
Other assets	(26,1	L32)	3,253		
Accounts payable and other liabilities	18,2	281	45,712		
Income taxes payable and receivable	5,3	315	(6,006		
Deferred revenue	26,9	928	24,570		
Net cash provided by operating activities attributable to continuing operations	518,8	345	468,255		
Cash flows from investing activities attributable to continuing operations:					
Net cash used in business combinations		_	(3,759		
Capital expenditures	(32,3	376)	(30,273		
Purchases of investments	(9,1	115)	_		
Net cash distribution related to Separation of IAC	(3,870,5	550)	_		
Other, net		(93)	1,071		
Net cash used in investing activities attributable to continuing operations	(3,912,1	134)	(32,961		
Cash flows from financing activities attributable to continuing operations:					
Borrowings under the Credit Facility	20,0	000	40,000		
Proceeds from Senior Notes offerings	1,000,0	000	350,000		
Proceeds from Exchangeable Notes offerings		_	1,150,000		
Principal payments on Credit Facility	(20,0	000)	(300,000		
Principal payments on Senior Notes	(400,0	000)	_		
Purchase of exchangeable note hedges		_	(303,428		
Proceeds from issuance of warrants		_	166,520		
Debt issuance costs	(13,5	517)	(27,815		
Proceeds from stock offering	1,421,8	301	_		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock pursuant to stock-based awards	79,5	528	_		
Withholding taxes paid on behalf of employees on net settled stock-based awards of Former Match Group and Match Group	(211,9	958)	(167,183		
Purchase of Former Match Group treasury stock	(132,8	368)	(175,736		
Purchase of noncontrolling interests	(15,8	327)	_		
Other, net	(15,1	188)	(25		
Net cash provided by financing activities attributable to continuing operations	1,711,9	971	732,333		
Total cash (used in) provided by continuing operations	(1,681,3	318)	1,167,627		
Net cash provided by operating activities attributable to discontinued operations	13,6	530	220,511		
Net cash used in investing activities attributable to discontinued operations	(963,4	120)	(374,333		
Net cash used in financing activities attributable to discontinued operations	(110,9	959)	(196,803		
Total cash used in discontinued operations	(1,060,7	749)	(350,62		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	7	725	(2,534		
Net (decrease) increase in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	(2,741,3	342)	814,468		
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at beginning of period	3,140,3		2,133,68		
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at end of period	\$ 399,0		2,948,153		

MATCH GROUP EARNINGS PER SHARE

Weighted average basic and diluted shares outstanding for all periods prior to the separation of Match Group from IAC on June 30, 2020 reflect the share position of Former IAC multiplied by the separation exchange ratio of 2.1584.

The following tables set forth the computation of the basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to Match Group shareholders:

	Three Months Ended September 30,							
	2020					20	19	
	Basic Diluted					Basic		Diluted
		(In	thou	sands, exc	ept	per share da	ata)	
Numerator								
Net earnings from continuing operations	\$ 1	131,487	\$ 3	131,487	\$	137,791	\$	137,791
Net loss (earnings) attributable to noncontrolling interests		586		586		(29,317)		(29,317)
Impact from subsidiaries' dilutive securities				(395)				(7,334)
Net earnings from continuing operations attributable to Match Group, Inc. shareholders	\$ 1	132,073	\$ 1	131,678	\$	108,474	\$	101,140
Earnings from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$	508	\$	508	\$	21,981	\$	21,981
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests of discontinued operations		_		_		(1,911)		(1,911)
Impact from subsidiaries' dilutive securities of discontinued operations		_		_		_		(8)
Net earnings from discontinued operations attributable to shareholders		508		508		20,070		20,062
Net earnings attributable to Match Group, Inc. shareholders	\$ 1	32,581	\$ 2	132,186	\$	128,544	\$	121,202
Denominator								
Weighted average basic shares outstanding	2	260,744	2	260,744		182,154		182,154
Dilutive securities		_		29,206		_		10,997
Denominator for earnings per share—weighted average shares	2	260,744		289,950		182,154		193,151
Earnings per share:								
Earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	0.51	\$	0.45	\$	0.60	\$	0.52
Earnings per share from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$	_	\$	_	\$	0.11	\$	0.10
Earnings per share attributable to Match Group, Inc. shareholders	\$	0.51	\$	0.46	\$	0.71	\$	0.63

	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
	2020 2019						
		Basic	Diluted		Basic		Diluted
	(In thousands, except per share data)						
Numerator							
Net earnings from continuing operations	\$ 42	13,732	\$ 413,732	\$	374,699	\$ 3	374,699
Net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests	(:	59,999)	(59,999))	(78,124)		(78,124)
Impact from subsidiaries' dilutive securities			(9,823))			(20,107)
Net earnings from continuing operations attributable to Match Group, Inc. shareholders	\$ 35	53,733	\$ 343,910	\$	296,575	\$ 2	276,468
(Loss) earnings from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$(36	56,070)	\$(366,070)) \$	44,849	\$	44,849
Net loss (earnings) attributable to noncontrolling interests of discontinued operations		319	319		(10,718)		(10,718)
Impact from subsidiaries' dilutive securities of discontinued operations			(240))			(67)
Net (loss) earnings from discontinued operations attributable to shareholders	(36	55,751)	(365,991))	34,131		34,064
Net (loss) earnings attributable to Match Group, Inc. shareholders	\$ (2	12,018)	\$ (22,081)		330,706	\$ 3	310,532
Denominator							
Weighted average basic shares outstanding	20	09,113	209,113		181,624	1	181,624
Dilutive securities			16,286				12,516
Denominator for earnings per share—weighted average shares	20	09,113	225,399	-	181,624	1	194,140
Earnings per share:							
Earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	1.69	\$ 1.53	\$	1.63	\$	1.42
(Loss) earnings per share from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$	(1.75)	\$ (1.62)) \$	0.19	\$	0.18
(Loss) earnings per share attributable to Match Group, Inc. shareholders	\$	(0.06)	\$ (0.10)) \$	1.82	\$	1.60

MATCH GROUP COMPONENTS OF INTEREST EXPENSE

	Three Months Ended September 30,					ine Months End	ed September 30,		
	2020 2019			2019		2020		2019	
Credit Facility, Term Loan, and Senior Notes	\$	25,203	\$	22,672	\$	78,284	\$	68,575	
Exchangeable Senior Notes		17,986		16,321		53,201		31,415	
Total Match Group interest expense	\$	43,189	\$	38,993	\$	131,485	\$	99,990	

RECONCILIATIONS OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP MEASURES

MATCH GROUP RECONCILIATION OF NET EARNINGS TO ADJUSTED EBITDA

	Three Months Ended September 30,					line Months End	ed September 30,		
	_	2020 2019				2020		2019	
	(Dollars in thousands)								
Net earnings (loss) attributable to Match Group, Inc. shareholders	\$	132,581	\$	128,544	\$	(12,018)	\$	330,706	
Add back:									
Net (loss) earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests		(586)		31,228		59,680		88,842	
(Earnings) loss from discontinued operations, net of tax		(508)		(21,981)		366,070		(44,849)	
Income tax provision (benefit)		23,568		1,240		7,257		(6,746)	
Other expense (income), net		1,923		(2,788)		(19,341)		(3,838)	
Interest expense		43,189		38,993		131,485		99,990	
Operating Income		200,167		175,236		533,133		464,105	
Stock-based compensation expense		37,335		20,805		80,647		70,817	
Depreciation		11,221		8,533		30,284		25,578	
Amortization of intangibles		459		641		7,262		1,464	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	249,182	\$	205,215	\$	651,326	\$	561,964	
Revenue	\$	639,770	\$	541,493	\$	1,739,862	\$	1,504,091	
Operating income margin		31%		32%		31%		31%	
Adjusted EBITDA margin		39%		38%		37%		37%	

MATCH GROUP RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING CASH FLOW ATTRIBUTABLE TO CONTINUING OPERATIONS TO FREE CASH FLOW

	Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	2020			2019		
		(In thou	ısand	s)		
Net cash provided by operating activities attributable to continuing operations	\$	518,845	\$	468,255		
Capital expenditures		(32,376)		(30,273)		
Free Cash Flow	\$	486,469	\$	437,982		

MATCH GROUP RECONCILIATION OF GAAP REVENUE TO NON-GAAP REVENUE, EXCLUDING FOREIGN EXCHANGE EFFECTS

(Dollars in thousands, except ARPU)	_	Three months ended September 30,					
		2020	Change		% Change	2019	
Revenue, as reported	\$	639,770	\$	98,277	18%		541,493
Foreign exchange effects		(3,085)					
Revenue Excluding Foreign Exchange Effects	\$	636,685	\$	95,192	18%	\$	541,493
(Change calculated using non-rounded numbers, rounding different	ces n	nay occur)					
ARPU, as reported	\$	0.62			4%	\$	0.59
Foreign exchange effects		0.00					
ARPU, excluding foreign exchange effects	\$	0.62			4%	\$	0.59
International ARPU, as reported	\$	0.58			1%	\$	0.57
Foreign exchange effects		(0.01)					
International ARPU, excluding foreign exchange effects	\$	0.57			- %	\$	0.57

(Dollars in thousands, except ARPU)	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
	:	2020		Change	% Change		2019
Revenue, as reported	\$1,7	39,862	\$	235,771	16%	\$1,5	504,091
Foreign exchange effects		16,370					
Revenue Excluding Foreign Exchange Effects	\$1,7	56,232	\$	252,141	17%	\$1,5	04,091
(Change calculated using non-rounded numbers, rounding differen	ces ma	y occur)					
ARPU, as reported	\$	0.60			2%	\$	0.58
Foreign exchange effects		0.00					
ARPU, excluding foreign exchange effects	\$	0.60			3%	\$	0.58
International ARPU, as reported	\$	0.55			(1)%	\$	0.56
Foreign exchange effects		0.01					
International ARPU, excluding foreign exchange effects	\$	0.56			-%	\$	0.56

DILUTIVE SECURITIES

Match Group has various tranches of dilutive securities. The table below details these securities and their potentially dilutive impact (shares in millions; rounding differences may occur).

	Average. Exercise Price	10/30/2020
Share Price		\$116.78
Absolute Shares		266.0
<u>Vested Options</u>		
Match Group Options	\$13.32	2.4
Match Group Options, converted from Former IAC Options	\$23.40	2.9
Total Dilution - Vested Options		5.2
Unvested Options and Awards		
Match Group Options	\$20.41	1.9
Match Group RSUs and subsidiary denominated equity awards	_	4.8
Total Dilution - Unvested Options and Awards		6.7
Outstanding Warrants		
Warrants expiring on January 1, 2023 (11.8 million outstanding)	\$68.22	4.9
Warrants expiring on September 15, 2026 (6.6 million outstanding)	\$134.76	_
Warrants expiring on April 15, 2030 (6.8 million outstanding)	\$134.82	_
Total Dilution - Outstanding Warrants		4.9
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Total Dilution		16.9
% Dilution		6.0%
Total Diluted Shares Outstanding	=	282.8

The dilutive securities presentation above is calculated using the methods and assumptions described below; these are different from GAAP dilution, which is calculated based on the treasury stock method.

Options — The table above assumes the option exercise price is used to repurchase Match Group shares.

RSUs and subsidiary denominated equity awards — The table above assumes RSUs are fully dilutive. All performance-based and market-based awards reflect the expected shares that will vest based on current performance or market estimates. The table assumes no change in the fair value estimate of the subsidiary denominated equity awards from the values used for GAAP purposes at September 30, 2020.

Exchangeable Senior Notes — The Company has three series of Exchangeable Senior Notes outstanding. In the event of an exchange, each series of Exchangeable Senior Notes can be settled in cash, shares, or a combination of cash and shares. At the time of each Exchangeable Senior Notes issuance, the Company purchased call options with a strike price equal to the exchange price of each series of Exchangeable Senior Notes ("Note Hedge"), which can be used to offset the dilution of each series of the Exchangeable Senior Notes. No dilution is reflected in the table above for any of the Exchangeable Senior Notes, of which only the 2022 Exchangeable Senior Notes are currently exchangeable, because it is the Company's intention to settle the Exchangeable Senior Notes with cash equal to the face amount of the notes; any shares issued would be offset by shares received upon exercise of the Note Hedge.

Warrants — At the time of the issuance of each series of Exchangeable Senior Notes, the Company also sold warrants for the number of shares with the strike prices reflected in the table above. The cash generated from the exercise of the warrants is assumed to be used to repurchase Match Group shares and the resulting net dilution, if any, is reflected in the table above.

PRINCIPLES OF FINANCIAL REPORTING

Match Group reports Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA Margin, Free Cash Flow, and Revenue Excluding Foreign Exchange Effects, all of which are supplemental measures to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA Margin, and Free Cash Flow measures are among the primary metrics by which we evaluate the performance of our business, on which our internal budget is based and by which management is compensated. Revenue Excluding Foreign Exchange Effects provides a comparable framework for assessing the performance of our business without the effect of exchange rate differences when compared to prior periods. We believe that investors should have access to, and we are obligated to provide, the same set of tools that we use in analyzing our results. These non-GAAP measures should be considered in addition to results prepared in accordance with GAAP, but should not be considered a substitute for or superior to GAAP results. Match Group endeavors to compensate for the limitations of the non-GAAP measures presented by providing the comparable GAAP measures with equal or greater prominence and descriptions of the reconciling items, including quantifying such items, to derive the non-GAAP measures. We encourage investors to examine the reconciling adjustments, which we describe below, between the GAAP and non-GAAP measures. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for a full year.

Definitions of Non-GAAP Measures

Adjusted Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (Adjusted EBITDA) is defined as operating income excluding: (1) stock-based compensation expense; (2) depreciation; and (3) acquisition-related items consisting of (i) amortization of intangible assets and impairments of goodwill and intangible assets, if applicable, and (ii) gains and losses recognized on changes in the fair value of contingent consideration arrangements, as applicable. We believe Adjusted EBITDA is useful for analysts and investors as this measure allows a more meaningful comparison between our performance and that of our competitors. The above items are excluded from our Adjusted EBITDA measure because they are non-cash in nature. Adjusted EBITDA has certain limitations because it excludes certain expenses.

Adjusted EBITDA Margin is defined as Adjusted EBITDA divided by revenues. We believe Adjusted EBITDA margin is useful for analysts and investors as this measure allows a more meaningful comparison between our performance and that of our competitors. Adjusted EBITDA margin has certain limitations in that it does not take into account the impact to our consolidated statement of operations of certain expenses.

<u>Free Cash Flow</u> is defined as net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations, less capital expenditures. We believe Free Cash Flow is useful to investors because it represents the cash that our operating businesses generate, before taking into account non-operational cash movements. Free Cash Flow has certain limitations in that it does not represent the total increase or decrease in the cash balance for the period, nor does it represent the residual cash flow for discretionary expenditures. Therefore, we think it is important to evaluate Free Cash Flow along with our consolidated statement of cash flows.

We look at Free Cash Flow as a measure of the strength and performance of our businesses, not for valuation purposes. In our view, applying "multiples" to Free Cash Flow is inappropriate because it is subject to timing, seasonality and one-time events. We manage our business for cash and we think it is of utmost importance to maximize cash — but our primary valuation metric is Adjusted EBITDA.

Revenue Excluding Foreign Exchange Effects is calculated by translating current period revenues using prior period exchange rates. The percentage change in Revenue Excluding Foreign Exchange Effects is calculated by determining the change in current period revenues over prior period revenues where current period revenues are translated using prior period exchange rates. We believe the impact of foreign exchange rates on Match Group, due to its global reach, may be an important factor in understanding period over period comparisons if movement in rates is significant. Since our results are reported in U.S. dollars, international revenues are favorably impacted as the U.S. dollar weakens relative to other foreign currencies, and unfavorably impacted as the U.S dollar strengthens relative to other foreign currencies. We believe the presentation of revenue excluding foreign exchange effects in addition to reported revenue helps improve the ability to understand Match Group's performance because it excludes the impact of foreign currency volatility that is not indicative of Match Group's core operating results.

Non-Cash Expenses That Are Excluded From Our Non-GAAP Measures

Stock-based compensation expense consists principally of expense associated with the grants of stock options, RSUs, performance-based RSUs and market-based awards. These expenses are not paid in cash, and we include the related shares in our fully diluted shares outstanding using the treasury stock method. Performance-based RSUs and market-based awards are included only to the extent the applicable performance or market condition(s) have been met (assuming the end of the reporting period is the end of the contingency period). To the extent stock-based awards are settled on a net basis, the Company remits the required tax-withholding amounts from its current funds.

<u>Depreciation</u> is a non-cash expense relating to our property and equipment and is computed using the straight-line method to allocate the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated useful lives, or, in the case of leasehold improvements, the lease term, if shorter.

Amortization of intangible assets and impairments of goodwill and intangible assets are non-cash expenses related primarily to acquisitions. At the time of an acquisition, the identifiable definite-lived intangible assets of the acquired company, such as customer lists, trade names and technology, are valued and amortized over their estimated lives. Value is also assigned to acquired indefinite-lived intangible assets, which comprise trade names and trademarks, and goodwill that are not subject to amortization. An impairment is recorded when the carrying value of an intangible asset or goodwill exceeds its fair value. We believe that intangible assets represent costs incurred by the acquired company to build value prior to acquisition and the related amortization and impairment charges of intangible assets or goodwill, if applicable, are not ongoing costs of doing business.

DEFINITIONS

Direct Revenue - is revenue that is received directly from end users of our products and includes both subscription and à la carte revenue.

Indirect Revenue - is revenue that is not received directly from end users of our products, substantially all of which is advertising revenue.

Subscribers - are users who purchase a subscription to one of our products. Users who purchase only à la carte features are not included in Subscribers.

Average Subscribers - is the number of Subscribers at the end of each day in the relevant measurement period divided by the number of calendar days in that period.

Average Revenue per Subscriber ("ARPU") - is Direct Revenue from Subscribers in the relevant measurement period (whether in the form of subscription or à la carte) divided by the Average Subscribers in such period and further divided by the number of calendar days in such period. Direct Revenue from users who are not Subscribers and have purchased only à la carte features is not included in ARPU.

Leverage on a gross basis - is calculated as principal debt balance divided by Adjusted EBITDA for the period referenced.

Leverage on a net basis - is calculated as principal debt balance less cash and cash equivalents divided by Adjusted EBITDA for the period referenced.

OTHER INFORMATION

Safe Harbor Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995

This press release and our conference call, which will be held at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time on November 5, 2020, may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements that are not historical facts are "forward looking statements." The use of words such as "anticipates," "estimates," "expects," "plans" and "believes," among others, generally identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include, among others, statements relating to: Match Group's future financial performance, Match Group's business prospects and strategy, anticipated trends, and other similar matters. These forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations and assumptions about future events, which are inherently subject to uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. Actual results could differ materially from those contained in these forward-looking statements for a variety of reasons, including, among others: competition, our ability to maintain user rates on our higher monetizing dating products, our ability to attract users to our dating products through cost-effective marketing and related efforts, foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations, our ability to distribute our dating products through third parties and offset related fees, the integrity and scalability of our systems and infrastructure (and those of third parties) and our ability to adapt ours to changes in a timely and cost-effective manner, our ability to protect our systems from cyberattacks and to protect personal and confidential user information, risks relating to certain of our international operations and acquisitions, certain risks relating to our relationship with IAC postseparation, the impact of the outbreak of COVID-19 coronavirus, and the risks inherent in separating Match Group from IAC, including uncertainties related to, among other things, the costs and expected benefits of the proposed transaction, any litigation arising out of or relating to the transaction, the expected tax treatment of the transaction, and the impact of the transaction on the businesses of Match Group. Certain of these and other risks and uncertainties are discussed in Match Group's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Other unknown or unpredictable factors that could also adversely affect Match Group's business, financial condition and results of operations may arise from time to time. In light of these risks and uncertainties, these forward-looking statements may not prove to be accurate. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on these forwardlooking statements, which only reflect the views of Match Group management as of the date of this press release. Match Group does not undertake to update these forward-looking statements.

About Match Group

Match Group (NASDAQ: MTCH), through its portfolio companies, is a leading provider of dating products available globally. Our portfolio of brands includes Tinder[®], Match[®], Meetic[®], OkCupid[®], Hinge[®], Pairs[™], PlentyOfFish[®], and OurTime[®], as well as a number of other brands, each designed to increase our users' likelihood of finding a meaningful connection. Through our portfolio companies and their trusted brands, we provide tailored products to meet the varying preferences of our users. Our products are available in over 40 languages to our users all over the world.

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