



2014 Annual Report

Proxy Statement and Form 10-K

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENT: This annual report (including the Shareholder Letter) contains forward-looking statements that are subject to safe harbors under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Statements that refer to projections of our future financial performance, anticipated growth and trends in our businesses and in our industries, the actions we intend to take to accelerate our transformation and the expected impact thereof, our intent to pay quarterly cash dividends in the future, and other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. These statements are only predictions, based on our current expectations about future events and may not prove to be accurate. We do not undertake any obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events occurring or circumstances arising after the date of this report. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, and our actual results, performance, or achievements could differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements on the basis of several factors, including those that we discuss in the “Risk Factors” section and throughout our 2014 Form 10-K, which is included in this Annual Report. We encourage you to read that section carefully.

Dear Fellow Shareholders:

The world has continued to see a marked increase in the number of major data breaches and cyber attacks, including high-profile penetrations at major retailers and state-sponsored attacks on media and government websites. Enterprises, governments, and individuals need help now more than ever navigating the complex, rapidly evolving cyber security landscape. No company is better positioned to address these challenges than Symantec.



While most know us for our leading Norton security offerings, one of our main competitive advantages is that we operate the largest civilian cyberintelligence network in the world. We track 4 trillion threat indicators and update these at a rate of 200,000 new threats per second from hundreds of millions of mobile devices, endpoints, and servers across the globe. We secure customer data, ensure immediate access to that data from an increasing number of devices and platforms, and protect it wherever it resides.

Our leading security and information management solutions have never been more relevant than they are today. I am very excited to share what I believe are considerable opportunities for Symantec to capitalize on these secular trends to optimize our businesses for growth and profitability.

ACCELERATING OUR TRANSFORMATION

In fiscal 2014, the first year of our multi-year, company-wide transformation, we implemented several initiatives designed to improve overall performance, including: dividing sales into new business and renewal teams and increasing sales force specialization; simplifying our organizational structure; and announcing our new channel strategy with redesigned partner programs and incentives. These initiatives expanded non-GAAP¹ operating margin by nearly 280 basis points to 27.4%, in part, by reducing our sales and marketing expenses by more than \$300 million. As we completed the implementation of our go-to-market changes, we delivered non-GAAP revenue of \$6.7 billion. At the same time, we generated \$1.28 billion in cash from operations and returned \$918 million to shareholders in the form of dividends and share repurchases. While we have made tremendous progress, we still have more to accomplish to deliver on our long-term growth and margin targets.

Leading a complex transformation required us to make hard choices about our businesses and to reexamine how we run them. To address this challenge, we organized our efforts around five key operational priorities, which include: 1-managing our businesses as a portfolio and optimizing certain businesses for margin; 2-prioritizing investments for growth; 3-improving efficiencies and growing revenue through eight initiatives; 4-attracting talent to our executive team; and 5-returning significant cash to shareholders.

1. Managing our Businesses as a Portfolio and Optimizing Certain Businesses for Margin

We're evaluating every product line to balance profitability against growth. We're optimizing our more mature, lower growth Norton and storage management businesses to expand operating margin. As part of this effort, we formed a business unit for the Norton branded products. We are simplifying our offerings with the beta release of Norton Security and Norton Security with Backup. We are investing in the direct-to-consumer eCommerce channel and better managing our retail and OEM channels. And, we introduced Norton Small Business, our first Norton offering for small businesses.

We will also identify product lines to divest or end of life that don't fit either our margin or growth objectives.

¹Non-GAAP results are reconciled to GAAP on page 4

2. Prioritizing Investments for Growth

We plan to accelerate growth by prioritizing investments in backup and security. We have shifted resource funding in the R&D budget to put more dollars behind the most promising market opportunities. We're deploying savings generated from our high margin businesses and prioritizing investments in enterprise areas according to our growth objectives.

Backup: We are the leader in backup with 30% market share, according to IDC, and our NetBackup appliance is one of our fastest growing businesses, up 29% year-over-year. In 2014, we continued to innovate in this space, releasing NetBackup 7.6, Backup Exec 2014, and nearly doubling the capacity of our backup appliances.

Security: By correlating and analyzing threat indicators from billions of files and websites, we are able to leverage our considerable telemetry and customer footprint to protect, detect, and respond to emerging threats more efficiently than the competition. Competitive offerings tend to overwhelm enterprises with false positives and use third-party data to detect threats, thereby reducing response times.

- Throughout our services and products, we are addressing the advanced threat protection problem in a differentiated way, and launched our ATP managed security service (MSS-ATP) to correlate the telemetry of our endpoint security with third party network security products. This quarter, we introduced our managed incident response service, which provides emergency on-demand service to help customers recover from a breach. We believe we're the only company that will offer a cloud-based, hands-on cyber security simulation that customers can access from anywhere and engage in realistic training scenarios that approximate customers' data center environments. In addition, later this year, we'll be introducing an industry-leading ATP solution which integrates protection across a threat defense gateway, email, and endpoint to deliver better multi-tier security.
- In data loss prevention (DLP), we're extending our market leading DLP capabilities into our endpoint, email, and data center security products. By integrating DLP functionality into these areas, we will provide customers with complete visibility, consistent policy enforcement and unified governance of their information.
- In mobile, we are leveraging our strengths in identity and access, productivity enablement, and data and threat protection to drive innovation in the rapidly growing mobile enterprise management market, where we grew 77% year-over-year. We released mobile workforce productivity, which integrates application and device management capabilities into a holistic solution for enterprises. Within the next 12 months, we will be integrating our market-leading DLP technology into our mobile productivity suite.

3. Growing Revenue and Improving Efficiencies through Eight Initiatives

We can better manage our expenses and run our businesses more efficiently. We've created a project management office with detailed work streams to focus on the opportunities we've identified to improve revenue and reduce costs. To drive revenue growth, we are enhancing sales productivity, improving our renewal rates, increasing rigor on license compliance, and optimizing pricing. To expand margin, we have identified tangible ways to further reduce costs by increasing our R&D capacity, consolidating our global footprint, streamlining product support, and optimizing our Norton business.

4. Attracting Talent to our Executive Team

Over the past twelve months, we've addressed both risk and future strategy by carefully making a number of key additions to our executive team, including hiring our Chief Financial Officer, Chief Technology Officer, Chief Information Officer, Chief Human Resources Officer, and the Head of Asia, Pacific and Japan sales. Additionally, we are nearing the completion of our CEO search. During the

process, the Board search committee received strong inbound interest and met with a number of highly qualified candidates. We are confident that any one of these highly qualified candidates can lead the company.

5. Returning Significant Cash to Shareholders

We will continue to return significant cash to shareholders as we've done in the past. Over the past 10 years, we've repurchased over \$10 billion of our shares. In fiscal 2015, we expect to return approximately \$900 million to shareholders via dividends and share repurchases just as we did last year.

DEMONSTRATING OUR COMMITMENT TO CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY

Our Corporate Responsibility program supported our company's objectives in fiscal year 2014 by focusing on employee engagement, investing in the community, supporting the development of new information security talent, and reducing our environmental impacts. We improved communication and alignment across the organization by defining employee expectations and rewards, indexing employee feedback, and launching a new company-wide set of values. To enhance our ability to attract and retain the best talent, we appointed our first Chief Diversity Officer. We invested over \$28 million in software and cash to support nonprofits around the world, a 16% increase over the prior year. Our software donation program issued 432,111 licenses reaching more than 23,000 organizations in 29 countries. We are supporting our communities by launching an initiative that will create cyber career opportunities among underserved communities that helps meet demand for IT security professionals. In fiscal year 2014, greenhouse gas emissions from our global facilities decreased 2.4% year-over-year. We made progress towards the goal of LEED certification for newly owned and long-leased facilities by gaining two new certifications, raising the certified percentage of our eligible square-footage to 82%.

THE PATH FORWARD

We're confident that the changes we've made in fiscal year 2014 and the initiatives currently underway position Symantec to capitalize on growth opportunities, drive margin expansion, and deliver sustainable shareholder value. We would like to thank our employees and partners for their commitment, and our customers for their support. We are excited about our future and are confident in our ability to create long-term shareholder value.

Thank you for your continued confidence and support.

Regards,



Michael Brown
Interim President and Chief Executive Officer

Three Year Summary of Selected Financial Data¹

(\$ in millions, except per share data)

	FY2014	FY2013	FY2012
Non-GAAP Financial Results			
Net revenue	\$6,701	\$6,906	\$6,730
Operating income	1,838	1,702	1,677
Operating margin	27.4%	24.6%	24.9%
Net income attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders	\$1,370	\$1,186	\$1,198
Diluted earnings per share	\$1.95	\$1.67	\$1.60
Diluted weighted-average shares outstanding	704	711	748
GAAP Financial Results			
Net revenue	\$6,676	\$6,906	\$6,730
Operating income	1,183	1,106	1,104
Net income attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders	\$898	\$755	\$1,187
Diluted earnings per share	\$1.28	\$1.06	\$1.59
Diluted weighted-average shares outstanding	704	711	748
Cash position (including short-term investments)	\$4,084	\$4,747	\$3,211
Total assets	13,539	14,508	13,158
Deferred revenue	\$3,903	\$4,080	\$4,040
Long-term debt	2,095	2,094	2,039
Total stockholders' equity	5,797	5,476	5,237
Cash flow from operations	\$1,281	\$1,593	\$1,901
Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Adjustments			
Gross profit			
GSA investigation	\$25	\$ -	\$ -
Stock-based compensation	19	15	16
Amortization of intangible assets	54	69	91
Total gross profit adjustment	\$98	\$84	\$107
Operating expense			
Stock-based compensation	\$137	\$149	\$148
Amortization of intangible assets	156	286	289
Restructuring and transition	264	77	29
Total operating expense adjustment	\$557	\$512	\$466
Operating income adjustment	\$655	\$596	\$573
Net income			
Joint venture: Amortization of intangible assets	\$ -	\$ -	\$4
Gain from sale of joint venture	-	-	(526)
Income tax effect on above items	(183)	(165)	(40)
Total net income adjustment	\$472	\$431	\$11
Diluted earnings per share			
Stock-based compensation adjustment per share, net of tax	\$0.17	\$0.17	\$0.16
Other non-GAAP adjustments per share, net of tax	0.50	0.44	(0.15)
Total diluted earnings per share adjustment	\$0.67	\$0.61	\$0.01

¹ Non-GAAP measures have been revised to reflect a change in methodology that reduces the number of adjustments to GAAP measures. From time to time, the Company performs a comprehensive review of its non-GAAP financial measures. Effective in the first quarter of fiscal 2015, non-GAAP financial measures adjust for the following items: stock-based compensation expense; charges related to the amortization of intangible assets; certain other income and expense items that management considers unrelated to the Company's core operations; and the associated income tax effects of the adjustments. By limiting the number and nature of adjustments, our management team believes this supplemental information will provide more meaningful insight into the performance of the Company's core business and enhance investors' ability to compare the Company's performance to its peers. The adoption of the change in methodology has been applied retrospectively to prior periods to facilitate comparability across periods.

Dear Fellow Shareholders:

Our primary focus is to create long-term, sustainable value for our shareholders through our commitment to world-class corporate governance, ensuring we have the right CEO to lead our company, creating performance based compensation plans for our executives, fostering a diverse and independent board, and developing a long term strategy that leverages our unique assets in an ever changing landscape.

Hiring the Most Capable Leader for Our Business: The markets we serve are some of the most exciting, competitive, and fast growing in software. The threat landscape is increasingly complex and customers need our solutions more than ever. We are actively engaged with management in a thorough strategic review of the Company as the basis for identifying the right new CEO to lead Symantec. To spearhead the search, we formed a three-person committee that is leading this effort with the expert assistance of Russell Reynolds. We are seeking an executive with a deep understanding of the evolving technology landscape, expertise growing multi-product businesses at scale, and a track record of building shareholder value through collaborative leadership.

Aligning Compensation with Performance: We remain committed to rewarding our executives based on performance. Our Compensation and Leadership Development Committee rigorously reviews proposed executive compensation plans to ensure they are fair and sufficient to attract and retain experienced, talented leaders. The Committee ties compensation to both short and long-term company and individual performance using formulaic annual and long-term performance-based incentive plans. Each plan is scrutinized to ensure it avoids creating risks that may have a materially adverse effect on our company. Our compensation review process includes a comprehensive performance evaluation comparison with other companies' practices as well as consultation with independent experts. As we prepare to hire a new CEO, we are committed to developing a compensation package consistent with these principles.

Ensuring Depth and Breadth of Board Experience: We believe that having a variety of independent viewpoints in the boardroom is essential for Symantec's success. As such, over the past year, we recruited Anita Sands and Suzanne Vautrinot, who bring broad experience in financial services, government, and cyber security. We are confident that having a balance of new and tenured board members allows us to evaluate Symantec's opportunities with a fresh perspective without sacrificing long-term continuity. We remain committed to refreshing our Board as necessary, reflecting the evolving market and competitive conditions. In the Board's succession planning, we will continue to emphasize diversity and a demonstrated ability to address the major technological trends impacting our business.

Looking into fiscal 2015, we are enthusiastic about Symantec's prospects and highly confident that the Company will continue to execute on our transformation, improve financial and operating performance, and create long-term shareholder value. Thank you for your continued support.

Regards, the Board of Directors of Symantec Corporation



Daniel H. Schulman,
Chairman of the Board, Symantec



350 Ellis Street
Mountain View, California 94043

NOTICE OF 2014 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
to be held on:
October 28, 2014
9:00 a.m. Pacific Time

Dear Stockholder:

You are cordially invited to attend our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be held at 9:00 a.m. (Pacific Time) on Tuesday, October 28, 2014, at Symantec Corporation's offices located at 350 Ellis Street, Mountain View, California 94043. For your convenience, we are pleased to offer a live and re-playable webcast of the Annual Meeting at www.symantec.com/invest.

We are holding the Annual Meeting for the following purposes, which are more fully described in the proxy statement:

1. To elect the nine nominees named in the proxy statement to Symantec's Board of Directors;
2. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as Symantec's independent registered public accounting firm for the 2015 fiscal year;
3. To hold an advisory vote to approve executive compensation; and
4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

We are furnishing proxy materials to our stockholders primarily via the Internet to expedite stockholders' receipt of proxy materials, lower the cost of the Annual Meeting and help conserve natural resources. On or about September 8, 2014, we expect to send to our stockholders (other than those who previously requested electronic or paper delivery) a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials containing instructions on how to access our proxy materials, including our proxy statement and our annual report, and to vote through the Internet or by telephone.

Only stockholders of record as of the close of business on August 29, 2014 are entitled to notice of, and vote at the Annual Meeting or any postponement or adjournment thereof. A list of stockholders entitled to vote will be available for inspection at our offices for ten days prior to the Annual Meeting. If you would like to view this stockholder list, please contact Investor Relations at (650) 527-5523.

Your vote is very important. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, please vote at your earliest convenience by following the instructions in the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials or the proxy card you received in the mail. You may revoke your proxy at any time before it is voted. Please refer to the "Meeting Information" section of the proxy statement for additional information.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Taylor".

SCOTT C. TAYLOR
*Executive Vice President, General
Counsel and Secretary*

Mountain View, California
September 4, 2014

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE STOCKHOLDER MEETING TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2014. The proxy statement and Symantec's Form 10-K for the 2014 fiscal year are available at <http://investor.symantec.com/investor-relations/financial-reports/annual-reports/default.aspx>.

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PROXY SUMMARY

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2014 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS INFORMATION

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Pacific Time
 Place: Symantec Corporation's offices located at 350 Ellis Street, Mountain View, California 94043
 Webcast: A live and re-playable webcast of the Annual Meeting is available on our Investor Relations website at www.symantec.com/invest
 Record Date: August 29, 2014

VOTING MATTERS

<u>Proposals</u>	<u>Board Recommendation</u>	<u>Page Number for Additional Information</u>
1. Election of Directors	FOR	13
2. Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm	FOR	20
3. Advisory Vote to Approve Executive Compensation	FOR	22

OUR DIRECTOR NOMINEES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Director Since</u>	<u>Principal Occupation</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Committee Memberships</u>			<u>Other Current Public Boards</u>
					<u>AC</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>NGC</u>	
Michael A. Brown	55	2005	Interim President and Chief Executive Officer	No	●		●	1
Frank E. Dangeard	56	2007	Managing Partner, Harcourt	Yes	■		■	3
Geraldine B. Laybourne	67	2008	Chairman of the Board, Defy Media, LLC	Yes		●	■	—
David L. Mahoney	60	2003	Director	Yes		●	■	2
Robert S. Miller	72	1994	Chairman of the Board, American International Group	Yes	●		■	1
Anita M. Sands	38	2013	Director	Yes	●			1
Daniel H. Schulman	56	2000	Group President-Enterprise Growth, American Express	Yes		●	■	1
V. Paul Unruh	65	2005	Director	Yes	■			3
Suzanne M. Vautrinot	54	2013	President, Kilovolt Consulting Inc.	Yes	■			1

AC = Audit Committee Governance Committee CC = Compensation and Leadership Development Committee NGC = Nominating & Governance Committee

● = Member ■ = Chair

















OUR CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FACTS

Current size of Board	9
Current number of Independent Directors	8
Board Committees Consist Entirely of Independent Directors	Yes
All Directors Attended at least 75% of Meetings Held	Yes
Annual Election of All Directors	Yes
Majority Voting for Directors	Yes
Separate Chairman and CEO	Yes
Chairman is Independent Director	Yes
Independent Directors Meet Regularly in Executive Session	Yes
Annual Board and Committee Self-Evaluations	Yes
Risk Oversight by Full Board and Committees	Yes
Stockholder Ability to Call Special Meetings (15% threshold)	Yes
Stockholder Ability to Act by Written Consent	Yes
Non-stockholder Approved Poison Pill	No
Annual Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation	Yes
Prohibit Short-selling, Hedging and Pledging Symantec Securities	Yes
Stock Ownership Requirements for Directors and Executive Officers	Yes

OUR EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION PHILOSOPHY AND PRACTICES

The overriding principle driving our compensation programs continues to be our belief that it benefits our employees, customers, partners and stockholders to have management’s compensation tied to our current and long-term performance. The following factors demonstrate our continued and heightened commitment to pay-for-performance and to corporate governance best practices:

OUR COMPENSATION GOVERNANCE FACTS

<u>What We Do:</u>	<u>What We Do Not Do:</u>
 We reward outstanding performance that meets our performance goals.	 We do not payout performance-based cash or equity awards for unmet performance goals.
 We cap payouts under our plans to discourage excessive or inappropriate risk taking by our NEOs.	 Our compensation plans do not have minimum guaranteed payout levels.
 We have a representative and relevant peer group.	 We do not permit short-sales, hedging or pledging of our stock.
 We have long-standing stock ownership guidelines for our executives, which includes stock holding requirements until threshold has been met.	 We do not provide tax gross-ups under §4999 of IRC for our NEOs.
 Our compensation plans contain clawback provisions.	 We do not provide material perquisites.
 We have double-trigger change in control provisions.	 We do not permit repricing underwater stock options without stockholder approval.
 We limit any potential severance payments to well under 3x our NEOs’ total target cash compensation.	
 Our Compensation Committee retains an independent compensation consultant.	
 We hold an annual advisory vote on executive compensation.	
 We seek feedback on executive compensation through stockholder engagement.	

COMPENSATION COMPONENTS FOR FISCAL 2014:

<u>Component</u>	<u>Key Characteristics</u>
Base Salary	Based on talent, experience, performance, contribution levels, individual role, positioning relative to market, and our overall salary budget.
Executive Annual Incentive Award	Our executive officers were eligible to receive performance-based compensation contingent upon (i) our achievement of targeted non-GAAP operating income; (ii) modified by our achievement of targeted revenue; and (iii) individual performance.
Restricted Stock Units	Restricted stock units vest over four years.
Performance-based Restricted Stock Units (PRUs)	Under our PRUs, our executive officers were eligible to receive shares following the third fiscal year following the award based upon (i) our achievement of targeted annual non-GAAP earnings per share for the first fiscal year covered by the award; and (ii) the achievement of the total shareholder return (“TSR”) ranking for our company as compared to the S&P 500 for the two and three years ended as of the end of the second and third fiscal year, respectively, covered by the award.
Performance-Contingent Stock Units (PCUs)	In fiscal 2013 we introduced PCUs as a component in our CEO’s compensation, which derive their value solely on the basis of increases in our stock price, rewarding our CEO for providing tangible value to our stockholders. In the event that none of the stock performance metrics were met during the term of the award, the PCUs would have been forfeited.

MEETING INFORMATION

We provide information about Symantec’s 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”), voting and additional information starting on page 65.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Symantec is strongly committed to good corporate governance practices. These practices provide an important framework within which our Board and management can pursue our strategic objectives for the benefit of our stockholders.

Corporate Governance Guidelines

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines generally specify the distribution of rights and responsibilities of Symantec Corporation's Board of Directors (the "Board"), management and stockholders, and detail the rules and procedures for making decisions on corporate affairs. In general, the stockholders elect the Board and vote on certain extraordinary matters; the Board is responsible for the general governance of our company, including selection and oversight of key management; and management is responsible for running our day-to-day operations.

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines are available on the Investor Relations section of our website, which is located at www.symantec.com/invest, by clicking on "Company Charters," under "Corporate Governance." The Corporate Governance Guidelines are reviewed at least annually by our Nominating and Governance Committee, and changes are recommended to our Board for approval as appropriate. The fundamental premise of our board-level corporate governance guidelines is the independent nature of our Board and its responsibility to our stockholders.

Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics

We have adopted a code of conduct that applies to all of our Board members, officers and employees. We have also adopted a code of ethics for our Chief Executive Officer and senior financial officers, including our principal financial officer and principal accounting officer. Our *Code of Conduct* and *Code of Ethics for Chief Executive Officer and Senior Financial Officers* are posted on the Investor Relations section of our website located at www.symantec.com/invest, by clicking on "Company Charters," under "Corporate Governance." Any amendments or waivers of our *Code of Conduct* and *Code of Ethics for Chief Executive Officer and Senior Financial Officers* pertaining to a member of our Board or one of our executive officers will be disclosed on our website at the above-referenced address.

Policy Against Short-Selling, Hedging and Pledging Symantec Securities

Our Insider Trading Policy prohibits all directors and employees from short-selling Symantec stock or engaging in transactions involving Symantec-based derivative securities, including hedging transactions. This policy was established in part because there is often a conflict of interest involved when an employee bets against or hedges a bet regarding our company's performance. In addition, our Insider Trading Policy prohibits pledging Symantec stock as collateral for a loan, since the stock may be sold in foreclosure if the borrower defaults on the loan at a time when the pledgor is aware of material, nonpublic information.

Stock Ownership Guidelines

It is the policy of the Board that our directors and officers interests align with those of our stockholders. In furtherance of this policy, our Board adopted stock ownership guidelines to better align our directors' and officers' interests with those of our stockholders. Details of our directors' stock ownership guidelines are disclosed under Director Compensation on page 19, and details of our executive officers' stock ownership guidelines are disclosed under Stock Ownership Requirements on page 46. The Compensation and Leadership Development Committee determine the stock ownership guidelines and the Nominating and Governance Committee monitor compliance under such guidelines.

Stockholder Engagement

We are committed to ongoing engagement with our stockholders to gain valuable insight into the issues that matter most to them and to enable our company to address them effectively. This past year we engaged with our top investors representing approximately 44% of our outstanding shares to discuss corporate governance and executive compensation matters, including board composition and our former CEO compensation. A summary of the feedback we received was provided to the Board for review and consideration.

Majority Vote Standard and Director Resignation Policy

Our Bylaws and Corporate Governance Guidelines provide for a majority voting standard for the election of directors. Under the majority vote standard, each nominee must be elected by a majority of the votes cast by the shares present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at any meeting for the election of directors at which a quorum is present. A “majority of the votes cast” means the votes cast “for” a nominee’s election must exceed the votes cast “against” that nominee’s election. A plurality voting standard will apply instead of the majority voting standard if: (i) a stockholder has provided us with notice of a nominee for director in accordance with our Bylaws; and (ii) that nomination has not been withdrawn as of 10 days before we first deliver proxy materials to stockholders.

To effectuate this policy with regard to incumbent directors, the Board will not nominate an incumbent director for re-election unless prior to such nomination the director has agreed to promptly tender a resignation if such director fails to receive a sufficient number of votes for re-election at the stockholder meeting with respect to which such nomination is made. Such resignation will be effective upon the earlier of (i) the Board’s acceptance of such resignation or (ii) the 90th day after certification of the election results of the meeting; provided, however, that prior to the effectiveness of such resignation, the Board may reject such resignation and permit the director to withdraw such resignation.

If an incumbent director fails to receive the required vote for re-election, the Nominating and Governance Committee shall act on an expedited basis to determine whether to recommend acceptance or rejection of the director’s resignation and will submit such recommendation for prompt consideration by the Board. The Board intends to act promptly on the Committee’s recommendation and will decide to accept or reject such resignation and publicly disclose its decision within 90 days from the date of certification of the election results. The Nominating and Governance Committee and the Board may consider such factors they deem relevant in deciding whether to accept or reject a resignation tendered in accordance with this policy. The Board expects a director whose resignation is under consideration to abstain from participating in any decision regarding the resignation.

Board Leadership Structure

Our Board does not have a policy on whether the roles of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman should be separate. Instead, it retains the flexibility to determine on a case-by-case basis whether the Chief Executive Officer, or an independent director, should serve as Chairman. During those periods in which the positions of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer are combined, the independent directors appoint an independent director as a Lead Independent Director. Currently, the roles of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman are separate. Daniel Schulman, one of our independent directors, was appointed as non-executive Chairman of the Board in January 2013. The Board believes that having an independent director serve as the non-executive Chairman of the Board is the appropriate leadership structure for our company at this time because it allows our Chief Executive Officer to focus on executing our company’s strategic plan and managing our company’s operations and performance, while allowing the Chairman of the Board to focus on the effectiveness of the Board and independent oversight of our senior management team.

Board Independence

It is the policy of the Board and NASDAQ’s rules require that listed companies have a board of directors with at least a majority of independent directors, as defined under NASDAQ’s Marketplace Rules. Currently, each member of our Board, other than our interim President and Chief Executive Officer, Michael A. Brown, is an independent director and all standing committees of the Board are composed entirely of independent directors, in each case under NASDAQ’s independence definition. The NASDAQ independence definition includes a series of objective tests, such as that the director is not an employee of the company and has not engaged in various types of business dealings with the company. In addition, the Board has made a subjective determination as to each independent director that no relationship exists which, in the opinion of the Board, would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director. In making these determinations, the directors reviewed and discussed information provided by the directors and our company with regard to each director’s business and other activities as they may relate to Symantec and our management. Based on

this review and consistent with our independence criteria, the Board has affirmatively determined that the following current directors and director nominees are independent: Frank E. Dangeard, Geraldine B. Laybourne, David L. Mahoney, Robert S. Miller, Anita M. Sands, Daniel H. Schulman, V. Paul Unruh and Suzanne M. Vautrinot.

Change in Director Occupation

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines include a policy that our Board should consider whether a change in any director's professional responsibilities directly or indirectly impacts that person's ability to fulfill his or her directorship obligations. To facilitate the Board's consideration, all directors shall submit a resignation as a matter of course upon retirement, a change in employer, or other significant change in their professional roles and responsibilities. Such resignation may be accepted or rejected in the discretion of the Board.

Board and Committee Effectiveness

It is important to Symantec that our Board and its committees are performing effectively and in the best interests of our company and its stockholders. The Nominating and Governance Committee reviews the size, composition and needs of the Board with established criteria to ensure the Board has the appropriate skills and expertise to effectively carry out its duties and responsibilities. In addition, an evaluation of the Board's and its committees' operations and performance is conducted annually by the Nominating and Governance Committee. Changes are recommended by the Nominating and Governance Committee for approval by the full Board as appropriate.

Board's Role in Risk Oversight

The Board executes its risk management responsibility directly and through its committees. The Audit Committee has primary responsibility for overseeing our company's enterprise risk management process. The Audit Committee receives updates and discusses individual and overall risk areas during its meetings, including our company's financial risk assessments, risk management policies and major financial risk exposures and the steps management has taken to monitor and control such exposures. The Compensation Committee oversees risks associated with our compensation policies and practices with respect to both executive compensation and compensation generally. The Compensation Committee receives reports and reviews whether Symantec's compensation policies and practices to confirm that they are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on our company or encourage unnecessary risk-taking. The Nominating and Governance Committee oversee the management of risks that may arise in connection with our company's governance structures, processes and policies.

The Board is kept abreast of its committees' risk oversight and other activities via reports of the committee chairmen to the full Board during the Board meetings. In addition, the Board participates in regular discussions with our senior management of many core subjects, including strategy, operations and finance, in which risk oversight is an inherent element. The Board believes that its leadership structure, as described above under "Board Leadership Structure," facilitates the Board's oversight of risk management because it allows the Board, with leadership from the independent, non-executive Chairman and each independent committee chair, to participate actively in the oversight of management's actions.

Outside Advisors

The Board and its committees are free to engage independent outside financial, legal and other advisors as they deem necessary to provide advice and counsel on various topics or issues, at Symantec's expense, and are provided full access to our officers and employees.

Board Structure and Meetings

The Board and its committees meet throughout the year on a set schedule, and also hold special meetings and act by written consent from time to time. The Board held a total of twelve meetings during fiscal 2014. During this time, no directors attended fewer than 75% of the aggregate of the total number of meetings held by the Board and the total number of meetings held by all committees of the Board on which such director served (during the period which such director served).

Agendas and topics for board and committee meetings are developed through discussions between management and members of the Board and its committees. Information and data that are important to the issues to be considered are distributed in advance of each meeting. Board meetings and background materials focus on key strategic, operational, financial, governance and compliance matters applicable to us, including the following:

- Reviewing annual and longer-term strategic and business plans;
- Reviewing key product, industry and competitive issues;
- Reviewing and determining the independence of our directors;
- Reviewing and determining the qualifications of directors to serve as members of committees, including the financial expertise of members of the Audit Committee;
- Selecting and approving director nominees;
- Selecting, evaluating and compensating the Chief Executive Officer;
- Reviewing and discussing succession planning for the senior management team, and for lower management levels to the extent appropriate;
- Reviewing and approving material investments or divestitures, strategic transactions and other significant transactions that are not in the ordinary course of business;
- Evaluating the performance of the Board;
- Overseeing our compliance with legal requirements and ethical standards; and
- Overseeing our financial results.

Executive Sessions

After each regularly scheduled Board meeting, the independent members of our Board hold a separate closed meeting, referred to as an “executive session.” These executive sessions are used to discuss such topics as the independent directors deem necessary or appropriate. At least annually, the independent directors hold an executive session to evaluate the Chief Executive Officer’s performance and compensation. Executive sessions of the Board are led by the independent, non-executive Chairman.

Succession Planning

Our Board recognizes the importance of effective executive leadership to Symantec’s success, and meets to discuss executive succession planning at least annually.

Attendance of Board Members at Annual Meetings

We encourage our directors to attend our annual meetings of stockholders. All directors who were elected to the Board at our 2013 Annual Meeting were in attendance at that meeting.

THE BOARD AND ITS COMMITTEES

There are three primary committees of the Board: the Audit Committee, Compensation and Leadership Development Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee. The Board has delegated various responsibilities and authorities to these different committees, as described below and in the committee charters. The Board committees regularly report on their activities and actions to the full Board. Each member of the Audit Committee, Compensation and Leadership Development Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee was appointed by the Board. Each of the Board committees has a written charter approved by the Board and available on our website at www.symantec.com/invest, by clicking on “Company Charters,” under “Corporate Governance.”

The following table shows our current directors, their independence status, their roles on the Board and its committees, and the number of meetings the Board and each of its committees held in fiscal 2014:

<u>Director</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Board</u>	<u>Audit</u>	<u>Compensation</u>	<u>Nominating & Governance</u>
Michael A. Brown	No	● ■	●		●
Frank E. Dangeard	Yes	● ■	■		■
Geraldine B. Laybourne	Yes	● ■		● ■	●
David L. Mahoney	Yes	● ■	●	■	■ C
Robert S. Miller	Yes	● ■	● ■	■ C	● ■
Anita M. Sands	Yes	● ■	■		●
Daniel H. Schulman	Yes	■ C		■	■
V. Paul Unruh	Yes	● ■	● ■ C		
Suzanne M. Vautrinot	Yes	■	■		
Number of Meetings in Fiscal 2014		12	9	5	4

= Member
 = Chair

Audit Committee

Our Audit Committee oversees our company’s accounting and financial reporting processes and the audits of our financial statements, including oversight of our systems of internal controls and disclosure controls and procedures, compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, internal audit function and the appointment, retention and compensation of our independent auditors. Its duties and responsibilities include, among other things, to:

- Review our company’s quarterly and annual financial statements.
- Review the adequacy and effectiveness of our company’s accounting and financial reporting processes.
- Appoint and, if necessary, terminate any registered public accounting firm engaged to render an audit report or to perform other audit, review or attest services for our company.
- Review and approve processes and procedures to ensure the continuing independence of our company’s independent auditors.
- Review the internal audit function of our company, including the independence and authority of its reporting obligations and the coordination of our company’s internal audit consultants with the independent auditors.
- Review our company’s practices with respect to risk assessment and risk management and meet with management and members of internal audit to discuss our company’s significant risk exposures and the steps management has taken to monitor, control and mitigate such exposures.
- Review our company’s ethics compliance program, including policies and procedures for monitoring compliance, and the implementation and effectiveness of our company’s ethics and compliance program.

Our Board has unanimously determined that all Audit Committee members are financially literate under current NASDAQ listing standards, and at least one member has financial sophistication under NASDAQ listing standards. In addition, our Board has unanimously determined that V. Paul Unruh qualifies as an “audit committee financial expert” under the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) rules and regulations. Mr. Unruh is independent as defined by current NASDAQ listing standards for Audit Committee membership. Designation as an “audit committee financial expert” is an SEC disclosure requirement and does not impose any additional duties, obligations or liability on any person so designated.

Compensation and Leadership Development Committee

Our Compensation and Leadership Development Committee (the “Compensation Committee”) oversees our compensation policies and practices so that they align with the interests of our stockholders; encourage a focus on our company’s long-term success and performance; and incorporate sound corporate governance principles. It also oversees our programs to attract, retain and develop our executive officers. Its duties and responsibilities include, among other things, to:

- Review executive and leadership development practices that support our company’s ability to retain and develop the executive and leadership talent required to deliver against our company’s short term and long term business strategies, including succession planning for the executive officers.
- Review our company’s compensation policies, plans and programs to confirm they (i) are designed to attract, motivate and retain talented executive officers; (ii) compensate the executive officers effectively in a manner consistent with the strategy of our company and the interests of stockholders; (iii) are consistent with a competitive framework; and (iv) support the achievement of our company’s overall financial results and individual contributions.
- Review and recommend to the independent directors of our Board all compensation arrangements for our Chief Executive Officer.
- Determine stock ownership guidelines for our Board and executive officers.
- Review our company’s overall compensation and benefits and programs.
- Administer our equity incentive and stock purchase plans.
- Review and recommend to the Board compensation for non-employee members of the Board.
- Review our company’s compensation policies and practices to confirm that such policies and practices are not likely to have a material adverse effect on our company and do not encourage excessive or inappropriate risk-taking by our executives.
- Review and make recommendations to the Board with respect to stockholder proposals and stockholder advisory votes related to executive compensation matters.

Nominating and Governance Committee

Our Nominating and Governance Committee oversees our company’s corporate governance procedures and policies, and ensures that they represent best practices and are in the best interests of our company and its stockholders, which includes establishing appropriate criteria for nominating qualified candidates to the Board. Its duties and responsibilities include, among other things, to:

- Establish the criteria and determine the desired qualifications, expertise and characteristics of the Board, with the goal of developing a diversity of perspectives, backgrounds, experiences, knowledge and skills on the Board.
- Consider the size, composition and needs of the Board and evaluate and recommend qualified candidates for election to the Board consistent with the established criteria to ensure the Board has the appropriate skills and expertise.

- Advise the Board on corporate governance matters and recommend to the Board appropriate or necessary actions to be taken by our company, the Board and the Board's committees.
- Identify best corporate governance practices and develop and recommend to the Board a set of corporate governance guidelines applicable to our company.
- Review and assess the adequacy of our company's corporate governance policies, including our company's Corporate Governance Guidelines and Code of Conduct, and make recommendations to the Board of modifications as appropriate.
- Oversee and review our company's policies and programs concerning (i) corporate social responsibility; (ii) public policy; (iii) philanthropy; (iv) political activities and expenditures; (v) our company's participation and visibility as a global corporate citizen; and (vi) our company's sustainability performance, including impacts to our business of environmental, social and governance issues.
- Monitor compliance under the stock ownership guidelines as set by the Compensation and Leadership Development Committee for the Board and executive officers.
- Implement and oversee the processes for evaluating the Board, its committees and the CEO on an annual basis.
- Oversee the management of risks that may arise in connection with our company's governance structures and processes.

DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS AND COMMUNICATION WITH DIRECTORS

Criteria for Nomination to the Board

The Nominating and Governance Committee will consider candidates submitted by Symantec stockholders, as well as candidates recommended by directors and management, for nomination to the Board. The Nominating and Governance Committee has generally identified nominees based upon suggestions by outside directors, management and executive recruiting firms. The goal of the Nominating and Governance Committee is to assemble a Board that offers a diverse portfolio of perspectives, backgrounds, experiences, knowledge and skills derived from high-quality business and professional experience. The Nominating and Governance Committee annually reviews the appropriate skills and characteristics required of directors in the context of the current composition of the Board, our operating requirements and the long-term interests of our stockholders.

The key attributes, experience and skills we consider important for our directors in light of our current business and structure are:

- *Industry and Technology Expertise.* Since we are a technology and software provider, understanding new technologies and emerging industry trends or experience in relevant technology is useful in understanding our research and development efforts, competing technologies, the various products and processes that we develop, the market segments in which we compete, and evolving customer requirements.
- *Global Expertise.* We are a global organization with employees and customers in many countries. Directors with global expertise can provide a useful business and cultural perspective regarding many significant aspects of our business.
- *Leadership Experience.* Directors who have served in senior leadership positions, as a general manager of a business, or the functional leader of a global sales, marketing or product development organization, are important to us, because they bring experience and perspective in analyzing, shaping, and overseeing the execution of important strategic, operational and policy issues at a senior level.
- *Public Company Board Experience.* Directors who have served on other public company boards can offer advice and insights with regard to the dynamics and operation of a board of directors; the relations of a board to the chief executive officer and other management personnel; the importance of particular agenda and oversight matters; and oversight of a changing mix of strategic, operational, and compliance-related matters.
- *Business Combinations and Partnerships Experience.* Directors who have a background in M&A and partnership transactions can provide insight into developing and implementing strategies for growing our business through combination with other organizations.
- *Financial Expertise.* Knowledge of financial markets, financing operations, and accounting and financial reporting processes is important because it assists our directors in understanding, advising, and overseeing Symantec's capital structure, financing and investing activities, financial reporting, and internal control of such activities.
- *Diversity.* In addition to a diverse portfolio of professional background, experiences, knowledge and skills, the composition of the Board should reflect the benefits of diversity as to gender, race, and ethnic background.

The information provided under "Director Qualifications" below each of the brief biographical descriptions set forth under Proposal 1. "Election of Directors — Nominees for Director" below includes the key individual attributes, experience and skills of each of our directors that led to the conclusion that each director should serve as a member of the board of directors at this time.

Process for Identifying and Evaluating Nominees

The Nominating and Governance Committee considers candidates by first evaluating the current members of the Board who intend to continue in service, balancing the value of continuity of service with that of obtaining

new perspectives, skills and experience. If the Nominating and Governance Committee determines that an opening exists, it identifies the desired skills and experience of a new nominee, including the need to satisfy rules of the SEC and NASDAQ.

The Nominating and Governance Committee generally will evaluate each candidate based on the extent to which the candidate contributes to the range of talent, skill and expertise appropriate for the Board generally, as well as the candidate's integrity, business acumen, diversity, availability, independence of thought, and overall ability to represent the interests of Symantec's stockholders. The Nominating and Governance Committee does not assign specific weights to particular criteria, and no particular criterion is necessarily applicable to all prospective nominees. Although the Nominating and Governance Committee uses these and other criteria as appropriate to evaluate potential nominees, it has no stated minimum criteria for nominees. In addition, we do not have a formal written policy with regard to the consideration of diversity in identifying candidates; however, as discussed above, diversity is one of the numerous criteria the Nominating and Governance Committee reviews before recommending a candidate. We have from time to time engaged, for a fee, a search firm to identify and assist the Nominating and Governance Committee with identifying, evaluating and screening Board candidates for Symantec and may do so in the future.

Stockholder Proposals for Nominees

The Nominating and Governance Committee will consider potential nominees properly submitted by stockholders. Stockholders seeking to do so should provide the information set forth in our corporate Bylaws regarding director nominations. The Nominating and Governance Committee will apply the same criteria for candidates proposed by stockholders as it does for candidates proposed by management or other directors.

To be considered for nomination by the Nominating and Governance Committee at next year's annual meeting of stockholders, submissions by stockholders must be submitted by mail and must be received by the Corporate Secretary no later than May 11, 2015 to ensure adequate time for meaningful consideration by the Nominating and Governance Committee. Each submission must include the following information:

- the full name and address of the candidate;
- the number of shares of Symantec common stock beneficially owned by the candidate;
- a certification that the candidate consents to being named in the proxy statement and intends to serve on the Board if elected; and
- biographical information, including work experience during the past five years, other board positions, and educational background, such as is provided with respect to nominees in this proxy statement.

Information regarding requirements that must be followed by a stockholder who wishes to make a stockholder nomination for election to the Board for next year's annual meeting is described in this proxy statement under "Additional Information — Stockholder Proposals for the 2015 Annual Meeting."

Contacting the Board of Directors

Any stockholder who wishes to contact members of our Board may do so by mailing written communications to:

Symantec Corporation
350 Ellis Street
Mountain View, California 94043
Attn: Corporate Secretary

The Corporate Secretary will review all such correspondence and provide regular summaries to the Board or to individual directors, as relevant, will retain copies of such correspondence for at least six months, and make copies of such correspondence available to the Board or individual directors upon request. Any correspondence relating to accounting, internal controls or auditing matters will be handled in accordance with Symantec's policy regarding accounting complaints and concerns.

PROPOSAL NO. 1

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Our Board currently consists of nine directors, each of whom is nominated for election at the Annual Meeting, including eight independent directors and our interim President and Chief Executive Officer. Each director is elected to serve a one-year term, with all directors subject to annual election. At the recommendation of the Nominating and Governance Committee, the Board has nominated the following nine persons to serve as directors for the term beginning at the Annual Meeting on October 28, 2014: Michael A. Brown, Frank E. Dangeard, Geraldine B. Laybourne, David L. Mahoney, Robert S. Miller, Anita M. Sands, Daniel H. Schulman, V. Paul Unruh and Suzanne M. Vautrinot.

Unless proxy cards are otherwise marked, the persons named as proxies will vote all proxies **FOR** the election of each nominee named in this section. Proxies submitted to Symantec cannot be voted at the Annual Meeting for nominees other than those nominees named in this proxy statement. However, if any director nominee is unable or unwilling to serve at the time of the Annual Meeting, the persons named as proxies may vote for a substitute nominee designated by the Board. Alternatively, the Board may reduce the size of the Board. Each nominee has consented to serve as a director if elected, and the Board does not believe that any nominee will be unwilling or unable to serve if elected as a director. Each director will hold office until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until his or her successor has been duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier resignation or removal.

Nominees for Director

The names of each nominee for director, their ages as of August 1, 2014, and other information about each nominee is shown below.

<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Principal Occupation</u>	<u>Director Since</u>
Michael A. Brown	55	Interim President and Chief Executive Officer	2005
Frank E. Dangeard	56	Managing Partner, Harcourt	2007
Geraldine B. Laybourne . .	67	Chairman of the Board, Defy Media, LLC	2008
David L. Mahoney	60	Director	2003
Robert S. Miller	72	Chairman of the Board, American International Group	1994
Anita M. Sands	38	Director	2013
Daniel H. Schulman	56	Group President- Enterprise Growth, American Express	2000
V. Paul Unruh	65	Director	2005
Suzanne M. Vautrinot	54	President, Kilovolt Consulting Inc.	2013

Mr. Brown has served as our interim President and Chief Executive Officer since March 2014 and as a member of our Board since July 2005, following the acquisition of Veritas. Mr. Brown had served on the Veritas board of directors since 2003. Mr. Brown previously served as Chairman of Line 6, Inc., a provider of musical instruments, amplifiers and audio gear that incorporate digital signal processing, from October 2005 to January 2014. From 1984 until September 2002, Mr. Brown held various senior management positions at Quantum Corporation, a leader in computer storage products, and most recently as Chief Executive Officer from 1995 to 2002 and Chairman of the Board from 1998 to 2003. Mr. Brown is a member of the board of directors of Quantum Corporation. He has previously served as a director of a variety of public companies, including Digital Impact, Maxtor Corporation and Nektar Therapeutics. Mr. Brown holds a master's of business administration from Stanford Business School and a bachelor's degree from Harvard University.

Director Qualifications:

- *Industry and Technology Experience* — former Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of Quantum Corporation; current member of the board of directors of Quantum Corporation; former member of the board of directors of Equal Logic and Digital Impact.

- *Leadership Experience* — former Chairman of Line 6, Inc. and former Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of Quantum Corporation.
- *Public Company Board Experience* — served as Chairman of Quantum Corporation and as a board member of Nektar Therapeutics, Maxtor Corporation and Digital Impact.
- *Business Combinations and Partnerships Experience* — former Chief Executive Officer of Quantum and former Chairman of Line 6.
- *Financial Experiences* — former Chief Executive Officer of Quantum; former Chairman of Line 6 and Equal Logic; and served on the Audit Committee of Digital Impact and Line 6.

Mr. Dangeard has served as a member of our Board since January 2007. He has been the Managing Partner of Harcourt, an advisory and investment firm, since March 2008. Mr. Dangeard was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Thomson S.A., a provider of digital video technologies, solutions and services, from September 2004 to February 2008. From September 2002 to September 2004, he was Deputy CEO of France Telecom, a global telecommunications operator. From 1997 to 2002, Mr. Dangeard was Senior Executive Vice President of Thomson and Vice Chairman in 2000. Prior to joining Thomson, Mr. Dangeard was Managing Director of SG Warburg & Co. Ltd. from 1989 to 1997, and Chairman of SG Warburg France from 1995 to 1997. Prior to that, Mr. Dangeard was a lawyer with Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, in New York and London. Mr. Dangeard also serves on the boards of Atari, Telenor, RPX Corporation and three private companies. Mr. Dangeard has previously served as a director of a variety of companies, including Moser Baer, SonaeCom SGPS, Thomson S.A. and Electricité de France S.A. He graduated from the École des Hautes Études Commerciales, the Paris Institut d'Études Politiques and from Harvard Law School.

Director Qualifications:

- *Industry and Technology Experience* — former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Thomson S.A. and former Deputy CEO of France Telecom
- *Global Experience* — Member of the board of directors of Telenor (Norway), former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Thomson S.A. (France); former Deputy CEO of France Telecom (France); former member of the board of directors of SonaeCom (Portugal) and MoserBaer (India).
- *Leadership Experience* — Managing Partner of Harcourt, Chairman of Atari, former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Thomson S.A., Deputy CEO of France Telecom, Chairman of SG Warburg France and Managing Director of SG Warburg & Co. Ltd.
- *Public Company Board Experience* — current member of the board of directors of Telenor, Atari and RPX; and former member of the board of directors of Electricite de France S.A., Thomson S.A., Moser Baer and SonaeCom SGPS.
- *Business Combinations and Partnerships Experience* — Chairman of SG Warburg France and lawyer at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP
- *Financial Experiences* — Chairman of the Audit Committee of Atari, former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Thomson, former Deputy CEO of France Telecom, former Chairman of the Audit Committee of Electricite de France, and former member of the Audit Committee of Moser Baer.

Ms. Laybourne has served as a member of our Board since January 2008. She has been the Chairman of the Board of Defy Media, LLC, a media company, since November 2010 and Kandu, a children's software company, since April 2013. She founded Oxygen Media in 1998 and served as its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer until November 2007 when the network was acquired by NBC Universal. Prior to starting Oxygen Media, Ms. Laybourne spent 16 years at Nickelodeon. From 1996 to 1998, Ms. Laybourne was President of Disney/ABC Cable Networks where she was responsible for overseeing cable programming for the Walt Disney Company and ABC. Ms. Laybourne is also a member of the board of directors of a private company in addition to Defy Media and Kandu. She earned a bachelor of arts degree in art history from Vassar College and a master of science degree in elementary education from the University of Pennsylvania.

Director Qualifications:

- *Leadership Experience* — Chairman of Defy Media, Founder and former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Oxygen Media LLC, President of Disney/ABC Cable Networks, President of Nickelodeon and Vice Chairman of MTV Networks.
- *Public Company Board Experiences* — former board member of J.C. Penney Company, Inc., Electronic Arts, Inc. and Move, Inc.
- *Business Combinations and Partnerships Experience* — Founder, former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Oxygen Media LLC until it was acquired by NBC Universal.

Mr. Mahoney has served as a member of our Board since April 2003. Mr. Mahoney previously served as co-Chief Executive Officer of McKesson HBOC, Inc., a healthcare services company, and as Chief Executive Officer of iMcKesson LLC, also a healthcare services company, from July 1999 to February 2001. Mr. Mahoney is a member of the board of directors of Adamas Pharmaceuticals, Corcept Therapeutics Incorporated, and two non-profit organizations as well as a trustee of the Schwab/Laudus fund family. He has previously served as a director of a variety of companies, including Tercica Incorporated. Mr. Mahoney has a bachelor's degree from Princeton University and a master's of business administration from Harvard Business School.

Director Qualifications:

- *Industry and Technology Experience* — Co-Chief Executive Officer of McKesson HBOC, Inc., Chief Executive Officer of iMcKesson LLC, various executive roles at McKesson Corporation, Principal at McKinsey & Co.
- *Leadership Experience* — Co-Chief Executive Officer of McKesson HBOC, Inc., Chief Executive Officer of iMcKesson LLC, various executive roles at McKesson Corporation, Principal at McKinsey & Co.
- *Public Company Experience* — serves on the board Corcept Therapeutics and as Lead Director at Adamas Pharmaceuticals; and served on the board of Tercica Incorporated.
- *Business Combinations and Partnerships Experience* — Co-Chief Executive Officer of McKesson HBOC, Inc., Chief Executive Officer of iMcKesson LLC, various executive roles at McKesson Corporation, Principal at McKinsey & Co.
- *Financial Experiences* — former roles at McKesson HBOC, serves on the Audit Committee of Corcept Therapeutics, the Investment Committee of the Schwab/Laudus fund family and served on the Audit Committee of Tercica Incorporated.

Mr. Miller has served as a member of our Board since September 1994. Mr. Miller is the Chairman of the Board of American International Group (AIG), an insurance and financial services organization, and MidOcean Partners, a private equity firm specializing in leveraged buyouts, recapitalizations and growth capital investments in middle-market companies. Mr. Miller served as Chief Executive Officer of Hawker Beechcraft, an aircraft manufacturing company, from February 2012 to February 2013. Mr. Miller served as Executive Chairman of Delphi Corporation, an auto parts supplier from January 2007 until November 2009 and as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer from July 2005 until January 2007. From January 2004 to June 2005, Mr. Miller was non-executive Chairman of Federal Mogul Corporation, an auto parts supplier. From September 2001 until December 2003, Mr. Miller was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Bethlehem Steel Corporation, a large steel producer. Prior to joining Bethlehem Steel, Mr. Miller served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer on an interim basis upon the departure of Federal Mogul's top executive in September 2000. Hawker Beechcraft filed a voluntary petition for reorganization under the United States Bankruptcy Code (USBC) in May 2012; Delphi Corporation and certain of its subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under the USBC in October 2005; and Federal Mogul Corporation and Bethlehem Steel Corporation and certain of their subsidiaries, filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under the USBC in October 2001. Mr. Miller is also a member of the board of directors of two private companies in addition to AIG and MidOcean Partners. In addition to his executive roles, Mr. Miller has previously served as a director of a variety of companies, including UAL Corporation, Reynolds American, Inc., U.S. Bancorp, and Waste Management, Inc. Mr. Miller earned a degree in economics from Stanford University, a law degree from Harvard Law School and a master's of business administration, majoring in finance from Stanford Business School.

Director Qualifications:

- *Global Experience* — Chairman of AIG; former Chief Executive Officer of Hawker Beechcraft, Inc.; former Chief Executive Officer of Delphi Corporation and former Vice Chairman of Chrysler Corporation.
- *Leadership Experience* — Chairman of AIG and Mid Ocean Partners; former Chief Executive Officer of Hawker Beechcraft, Inc.; former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Delphi Corporation; former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Federal Mogul Corporation; and former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Bethlehem Steel Corporation.
- *Public Company Board Experience* — serves on the board of AIG; served on the boards of s of UAL Corporation, Reynolds American, Inc., U.S. Bancorp, and Waste Management, Inc.
- *Business Combinations and Partnerships Experience* — former Chief Executive Officer of Hawker Beechcraft, Inc., Delphi Corporation and Federal Mogul Corporation; and former Vice Chairman of Chrysler Corporation.
- *Financial Experiences* — serves on the Audit Committee of AIG; former Chief Financial Officer of Chrysler Corporation; and served on the Audit Committees of UAL Corporation, Reynolds American, Waste Management, U.S. Bancorp, Federal Mogul Corporation and Pope & Talbot.

Ms. Sands has served as a member of our Board since October 2013. Ms. Sands has served as Group Managing Director, Head of Change Leadership and a member of the Wealth Management Americas Executive Committee of UBS Financial Services, a global financial services firm, from April 2012 to September 2013. She was Group Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer of Wealth Management Americas at UBS Financial Services from April 2010 to April 2012. Prior to that, Ms. Sands was a Transformation Consultant at UBS Financial Services from October 2009 to April 2010. Prior to joining UBS Financial Services, Ms. Sands was Managing Director, Head of Transformation Management at Citigroup's Global Operations and Technology organization. Ms. Sands also held several leadership positions with RBC Financial Group and CIBC. Ms. Sands is on the board of directors of ServiceNow, Inc. and a non-profit organization. She received a bachelor's degree in physics and applied mathematics from The Queen's University of Belfast, Northern Ireland, a doctorate in atomic and molecular physics from The Queen's University of Belfast, Northern Ireland and a master's degree of science in public policy and management from Carnegie Mellon University.

Director Qualifications:

- *Industry and Technology Experience* — former Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer and various executive positions of global financial services firms.
- *Global Experience* — former Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer and various executive positions of global financial services firms.
- *Leadership Experience* — former Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer and various executive positions of global financial services firms.
- *Public Company Board Experience* — serves on the board of ServiceNow, Inc.
- *Financial Experiences* — former Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer and various executive positions of global financial services firms.

Mr. Schulman has served as a member of our Board since March 2000. Mr. Schulman has served as Group President, Enterprise Group of American Express, a financial products and travel-related services provider, since August 2010. Mr. Schulman was President, Prepaid Group of Sprint Nextel Corporation, a cellular phone service provider, from November 2009 until August 2010, when Sprint Nextel acquired Virgin Mobile USA, a cellular phone service provider. Mr. Schulman served as Chief Executive Officer of Virgin Mobile USA from September 2001 to November 2009, and a member of the board of directors of Virgin Mobile USA from October 2001 to November 2009. From May 2000 until May 2001, Mr. Schulman was President and Chief Executive Officer of priceline.com Incorporated, an online travel company, after serving as President and Chief Operating Officer

from July 1999. He is a member of the board of directors of Flextronics International Ltd. and a non-profit organization. He received a bachelor's degree in economics from Middlebury College, and a master's degree in business administration, majoring in Finance, from New York University.

Director Qualifications:

- *Industry and Technology Experience* — Group President, Enterprise Group of American Express and former Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer of priceline.com.
- *Leadership Experience* — Group President, Enterprise Group of American Express, former President, Prepaid Group of Sprint Nextel Corporation, former Chief Executive Officer of Virgin Mobile USA and former Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer of priceline.com.
- *Public Company Board Experience* — serves on the board of Flextronics International Ltd and served on the board of Virgin Mobile USA.
- *Business Combinations and Partnerships Experience* — former Chief Executive Officer of Virgin Mobile USA.
- *Financial Experiences* — Group President, Enterprise Group of American Express, former President, Prepaid Group of Sprint Nextel Corporation, former Chief Executive Officer of Virgin Mobile USA and former Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer of priceline.com.

Mr. Unruh has served as a member of our Board since July 2005 following the acquisition of Veritas. Mr. Unruh had served on Veritas' board of directors since 2003. Mr. Unruh retired as Vice Chairman of Bechtel Group, Inc., a global engineering and construction services company, in June 2003. During his 25-year tenure at Bechtel Group, he held a number of management positions including Treasurer, Controller, and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Unruh also served as President of Bechtel Enterprises, the finance, development and ownership arm from 1997 to 2001. He is a member of the board of directors of Move, Inc., Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc., URS Corporation, and three private companies. Mr. Unruh is a certified public accountant.

Director Qualifications:

- *Global Experience* — former Vice Chairman and various executive positions of Bechtel Group, Inc. and former President of Bechtel Enterprises.
- *Leadership Experience* — former Vice Chairman and various executive positions of Bechtel Group, Inc. and former President of Bechtel Enterprises.
- *Public Company Board Experience* — serves on the boards of Move, Inc., Heidrick & Struggles International Inc., and URS Corporation
- *Business Combinations and Partnerships Experience* — former board member of Veritas Corporation.
- *Financial Experiences* — a certified public accountant; former Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Controller of Bechtel Group, Inc.; former President of Bechtel Enterprises; and serves on the Audit Committees of Move, Inc. and Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc.

Ms. Vautrinot has served as a member of our Board since October 2013. Ms. Vautrinot retired from the United States Air Force in October 2013 after over 30 years of service. During her career with the United States Air Force, she served in a number of leadership positions including Major General and Commander, 24th Air Force/Network Operations from April 2011 to October 2013; Special Assistant to the Vice Chief of Staff from December 2010 to April 2011; Director of Plans and Policy, U.S. Cyber Command from May 2010 to December 2010 and Deputy Commander, Network Warfare, U.S. Strategic Command, from June 2008 and May 2010. Ms. Vautrinot is a member of the board of directors of Ecolab, Inc. and a non-profit organization. She received a bachelor of science degree from the U.S. Air Force Academy, a master's degree in systems management from University of Southern California, and a master's degree in military operational art and science from Air Command and Staff College.

Director Qualifications:

- *Industry and Technology Experience* — Major General and Commander (retired) and various leadership positions of United States Air Force.
- *Global Experience* — Major General and Commander (retired) and various leadership positions of United States Air Force
- *Leadership Experience* — Major General and Commander (retired) and various leadership positions of United States Air Force
- *Public Company Board Experience* — serves on the board of Ecolab, Inc.

Summary of Director Qualifications and Experience

	Brown	Dangeard	Laybourne	Mahoney	Miller	Sands	Schulman	Unruh	Vautrinot
<i>Industry and Technology Expertise</i>	√	√		√		√	√	√	√
<i>Global Expertise</i>		√			√	√		√	√
<i>Leadership Experience</i>	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
<i>Public Company Board Experience</i>	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
<i>Business Combinations and Partnerships Experience</i>	√	√	√	√	√		√	√	
<i>Financial Expertise</i>	√	√		√	√	√	√	√	
<i>Diversity</i>			√			√			√

Director Compensation

The following table provides information for fiscal year 2014 compensation for all of our non-employee directors:

Fiscal Year 2014 Director Compensation

<u>Name*</u>	<u>Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)(1)(2)</u>	<u>Stock Awards (\$)(3)(4)</u>	<u>Option Awards (\$)(5)</u>	<u>Total (\$)</u>
Frank E. Dangeard	85,023	234,978	—	320,000
Geraldine B. Laybourne	65,023	234,978	—	300,000
David L. Mahoney	95,023	234,978	—	330,000
Robert S. Miller	85,023	234,978	—	320,000
Anita M. Sands(6)	30,389	102,001(7)	—	132,390
Daniel H. Schulman	180,023	234,978	—	415,000
V. Paul Unruh	95,023	234,978	—	330,000
Suzanne M. Vautrinot(6)	30,389	102,001(7)	—	132,390

* During fiscal 2014, Mr. Brown served as a director prior to his appointment as an executive officers of our company. The non-employee director compensation paid to him in fiscal 2014 is reported in the Summary Compensation Table above under the column captioned “All Other Compensation.”

- (1) Non-employee directors receive an annual retainer fee of \$50,000 plus an additional annual fee of \$15,000 (Compensation Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee) or \$20,000 (Audit Committee) for membership on each committee. The chair of each committee receives an additional annual fee of \$15,000 (Nominating and Governance Committee) or \$25,000 (Audit Committee and Compensation Committee).
- (2) Includes cash payout of \$22.50 for fractional share from stock awards granted to each non-employee director.
- (3) Amounts shown in this column reflect the aggregate full grant date fair value calculated in accordance with FASC Topic 718 for awards granted during the fiscal year.

- (4) Each non-employee director was granted 9,650 RSUs on May 10, 2013, with a per share fair value of \$22.50 and a full grant date fair value of \$234,978.
- (5) In fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012, there were no stock option grants to any person who served as a non-employee director. The outstanding stock options held by each non-employee director at 2014 fiscal year-end were: Mr. Brown (12,000), Mr. Mahoney (36,000), Mr. Miller (36,000) and Mr. Schulman (36,000).
- (6) Mses. Sands and Vautrinot were elected to the Board effective October 22, 2013. Accordingly, they received prorated compensation under the director compensation policies described below.
- (7) Mses. Sands and Vautrinot were granted a prorated award of 4,628 RSUs on October 22, 2013, with a per share value of \$22.04 and a full grant date fair value of \$102,001. A cash payout of \$4.37 for fractional share from the stock award is reported in the “Fees Earned or Paid in Cash” column in the table above.

The policy of the Board is that compensation for independent directors should be a mix of cash and equity-based compensation. Symantec does not pay employee directors for Board service in addition to their regular employee compensation. Independent directors may not receive consulting, advisory or other compensatory fees from the Company. The Compensation Committee, which consists solely of independent directors, has the primary responsibility to review and consider any revisions to directors’ compensation.

Director Stock Ownership Guidelines: Since May 2007, the Compensation Committee has instituted the following stock ownership guidelines to better align our directors’ interests with those of our stockholders:

- Directors must maintain a minimum holding of 10,000 shares of Company stock;
- New directors will have three years to reach the minimum holding level; and
- Notwithstanding the foregoing, directors may sell enough shares to cover their income tax liability on vested grants.

Annual Fees: In accordance with the recommendation of the Compensation Committee, the Board determined the non-employee directors’ compensation for fiscal year 2014 as follows:

- \$50,000 annual cash retainer
- \$15,000 annual fee for committee membership (\$20,000 for Audit membership)
- \$25,000 annual fee for chairing a committee of the Board (\$15,000 for chairing the Nominating and Governance Committee)
- \$100,000 annual fee for the Lead Independent Director/Independent Chairman

The payment of the annual cash retainer is subject to the terms of the 2000 Director Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, which allows directors to choose to receive common stock in lieu of cash for all or a portion of the retainer payable to each director for serving as a member. We pay the annual retainer fee and any additional annual fees to each director at the beginning of the fiscal year. Directors who join the Company after the beginning of the fiscal year receive a prorated cash payment in respect of their annual retainer fee and fees. These payments are considered earned when paid. Accordingly, we do not require them to be repaid in the event a director ceases serving in the capacity for which he or she was compensated.

Annual Equity Awards. Pursuant to a Non-Employee Director Grant Policy adopted by our Board, each non-employee member of the Board receives an annual award of fully-vested restricted stock under the 2013 Plan having a fair market value on the grant date equal to a pre-determined dollar value, which was \$235,000. The restricted stock awards granted for fiscal year 2014 were granted on May 10, 2013 and are fully vested.

Symantec stock ownership information for each of our directors is shown under the heading “Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management” on page 26 of this proxy statement.

THE BOARD RECOMMENDS A VOTE “FOR” ELECTION OF EACH OF THE NINE NOMINATED DIRECTORS.

PROPOSAL NO. 2

RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Audit Committee has appointed KPMG LLP (“KPMG”) as Symantec’s principal independent registered public accounting firm to perform the audit of Symantec’s consolidated financial statements for fiscal year 2014. As a matter of good corporate governance, the Audit Committee has decided to submit its selection of independent audit firm to stockholders for ratification. In the event that this appointment of KPMG is not ratified by a majority of the shares of common stock present or represented at the Annual Meeting and entitled to vote on the matter, the Audit Committee will review its future selection of KPMG as Symantec’s independent registered public accounting firm.

The Audit Committee first approved KPMG as our independent auditors in September 2002, and KPMG audited Symantec’s financial statements for Symantec’s 2014 fiscal year. Representatives of KPMG are expected to attend the meeting with the opportunity to make a statement and respond to appropriate questions from stockholders present at the meeting.

Principal Accountant Fees and Services

We regularly review the services and fees from our independent registered public accounting firm, KPMG. These services and fees are also reviewed with the Audit Committee annually. In accordance with standard policy, KPMG periodically rotates the individuals who are responsible for Symantec’s audit. Symantec’s Audit Committee has determined that the providing of certain non-audit services, as described below, is compatible with maintaining the independence of KPMG.

In addition to performing the audit of Symantec’s consolidated financial statements, KPMG provided various other services during fiscal years 2014 and 2013. Symantec’s Audit Committee has determined that KPMG’s provisioning of these services, which are described below, does not impair KPMG’s independence from Symantec. The aggregate fees billed for fiscal years 2014 and 2013 for each of the following categories of services are as follows:

<u>Fees Billed to Symantec</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Audit fees(1)	\$ 9,002,082	\$8,344,495
Audit related fees(2)	911,038	1,324,300
Tax fees(3)	121,450	74,216
All other fees(4)	<u>91,511</u>	<u>107,408</u>
Total fees	<u>\$10,126,081</u>	<u>\$9,850,419</u>

The categories in the above table have the definitions assigned under Item 9 of Schedule 14A promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), and these categories include in particular the following components:

- (1) “*Audit fees*” include fees for audit services principally related to the year-end examination and the quarterly reviews of Symantec’s consolidated financial statements, consultation on matters that arise during a review or audit, review of SEC filings, audit services performed in connection with Symantec’s acquisitions and statutory audit fees.
- (2) “*Audit related fees*” include fees which are for assurance and related services other than those included in Audit fees.
- (3) “*Tax fees*” include fees for tax compliance and advice.
- (4) “*All other fees*” include fees for all other non-audit services, principally for services in relation to certain information technology audits.

An accounting firm other than KPMG performs supplemental internal audit services for Symantec. Another accounting firm provides the majority of Symantec’s outside tax services.

Policy on Audit Committee Pre-Approval of Audit and Permissible Non-Audit Services of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Audit Committee’s policy is to pre-approve all audit and permissible non-audit services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm. These services may include audit services, audit-related services, tax services and other services. Pre-approval is detailed as to the particular service or category of services and is generally subject to a specific budget. The independent registered public accounting firm and management are required to periodically report to the Audit Committee regarding the extent of services provided by the independent registered public accounting firm in accordance with this pre-approval, and the fees for the services performed to date. The Audit Committee may also pre-approve particular services on a case-by-case basis.

All of the services relating to the fees described in the table above were approved by the Audit Committee.

THE BOARD RECOMMENDS A VOTE “FOR” APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL NO. 2

PROPOSAL NO. 3

ADVISORY VOTE TO APPROVE EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

In accordance with Section 14A of the Exchange Act, stockholders are entitled to cast an advisory vote to approve the compensation of our named executive officers, as disclosed in this proxy statement. Accordingly, you are being asked to vote on the following resolution at the Annual Meeting:

“RESOLVED, that the compensation paid to Symantec Corporation’s named executive officers, as disclosed in this proxy statement pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission’s compensation disclosure rules, including the Compensation Discussion & Analysis, compensation tables and narrative discussion, is hereby approved.”

As described more fully in the Compensation Discussion & Analysis section of this proxy statement, our named executive officers are compensated in a manner consistent with our pay-for-performance philosophy and corporate governance best practices. A few highlights, which are discussed further in the Compensation Discussion & Analysis, are:

- We reward performance that meets our performance goals. Our compensation plans do not have guaranteed payout levels, and our named executive officers do not receive any payouts under performance-based cash or equity awards if the goals are not met. For example, for fiscal 2014, none of our named executive officers received a payout under our FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plans because we did not meet the threshold level of performance. Our compensation plans are also capped to discourage excessive or inappropriate risk taking by our executive officers.
- We continue to grant performance-based restricted stock units (“PRUs”) to our named executive officers as a regular part of our annual executive compensation program. We do not award any stock options to our executives.
- The long-term equity incentive component of our former CEO’s compensation package for fiscal 2014 was composed exclusively of performance-contingent stock units (“PCSUs”), which derive their value on the basis of increases in our stock price.
- Our various incentive plans use multiple measures that correlate to stockholder value, such that no single metric is overly emphasized in determining payouts.
- Our peer group consists primarily of businesses with a focus on software development or software and engineering-driven companies that compete with us for talent. Our peer group companies are comparable to us in terms of complexity, global reach, revenue and market capitalization.
- We have long-standing stock ownership guidelines for our named executive officers, requiring them to hold a minimum value in shares so that they have an even greater financial stake in our company, thereby further aligning the interests of our executive officers with those of our stockholders. We also prohibit the sale of any shares (except to meet tax withholding obligations) if doing so would cause them to fall below the required ownership levels.
- We do not provide for gross-ups of excise tax values under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- We limit any potential cash severance payments to under 3x our executive officers’ total target cash compensation.
- We have clawback provisions in all of our executive compensation plans (providing for the return of any excess compensation received by an executive officer if our financial statements are the subject of a restatement due to error or misconduct).
- Our executive officers are prohibited from short-selling Symantec stock or engaging in transactions involving Symantec-based derivative securities, and are also prohibited from pledging their Symantec stock.
- Our equity incentive plan prohibits the repricing or exchange of equity awards without stockholder approval.
- We seek stockholder feedback on our executive compensation through an annual advisory vote and ongoing stockholder engagement.

We believe that our compensation program balances the interests of all of our constituencies — our stockholders, our executive officers, the remainder of our employee base, our business partners and our community — by, among other things, focusing on achievement of corporate objectives, attracting and retaining highly-qualified executive management and maximizing long-term stockholder value. We encourage you to read the Compensation Discussion & Analysis, compensation tables and narrative discussion in this proxy statement.

The vote to approve the compensation of our named executive officers is advisory, and therefore not binding. Although the vote is non-binding, the Compensation Committee and the Board value your opinion and will consider the outcome of the vote in establishing compensation philosophy and making future compensation decisions.

THE BOARD RECOMMENDS A VOTE “FOR” APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL NO. 3

OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The names of our current executive officers, their ages as of August 1, 2014, and their positions are shown below.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Position</u>
Michael A. Brown	55	Interim President and Chief Executive Officer
Amy L. Cappellanti-Wolf	49	Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer
Mark S. Garfield	43	Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer
Stephen E. Gillett	38	Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
Francis C. Rosch	50	Executive Vice President, Norton Business Unit
Thomas J. Seifert	50	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Scott C. Taylor	50	Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

The Board chooses executive officers, who then serve at the Board’s discretion. There is no family relationship between any of the directors or executive officers and any other director or executive officer of Symantec.

For information regarding Mr. Brown, please refer to “*Our Board of Directors*” above.

Ms. Cappellanti-Wolf has served as our Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer since July 2014. Prior to joining us, she was Chief Human Resources Officer at Silver Spring Networks, Inc., a smart grid products provider, from June 2009 to July 2014. From September 2001 to June 2009, Ms. Cappellanti-Wolf served as Vice President, Human Resources of Cisco Systems, Inc., a networking company. From 2000 to 2001, she served as a Human Resources Director at Sun Microsystems, Inc. Ms. Cappellanti-Wolf served as Human Resources Director for The Walt Disney Company from 1995 to 2000 and held various roles in human resources with Frito-Lay, Inc., a division of PepsiCo, Inc., from 1988 to 1995. She has a bachelor’s degree in Journalism from West Virginia University and a master’s degree in Industrial and Labor Relations from West Virginia University.

Mr. Garfield has served as our Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer since March 2014. Prior to joining us, he was Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer of Brightstar Corporation, a wireless distribution and services company, from February 2013 to March 2014, and as Vice President of Finance from January 2013 to February 2013. Mr. Garfield was Director of Finance at Advanced Micro Devices, a semiconductor company, from August 2010 to December 2012. From August 2001 to August 2010, Mr. Garfield served as Audit Senior Manager and Vice Director of Ernst & Young. Mr. Garfield has a bachelor’s degree in business economics from University of California at Santa Barbara.

Mr. Gillett has served as our Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer since December 2012. He served as a member of our Board from January 2012 to December 2012. Prior to joining us, Mr. Gillett was Executive Vice President and President, Best Buy Digital, Global Marketing and Strategy of Best Buy Co., Inc., from March 2012 to December 2012. From May 2008 to March 2012, Mr. Gillett was Executive Vice President, Digital Ventures and Chief Information Officer at Starbucks, Inc. Mr. Gillett served as Chief Information Officer of Corbis Corporation, a digital media company, from May 2006 to May 2008. Prior to his role at Corbis, Mr. Gillett held senior technology positions with various technology companies including Yahoo! Inc., CNET Networks and Sun Microsystems, Inc. He received a bachelor’s degree from University of Oregon and a master’s degree in business administration from San Francisco State University.

Mr. Rosch has served as our Executive Vice President, Norton Business Unit since June 2014. From February 2013 to June 2014, Mr. Rosch served as our Senior Vice President, Mobility and as Vice President, Trust Services and SSL from August 2010 to January 2013. Prior to joining Symantec, Mr. Rosch held various leadership positions at Verisign, Inc., an Internet infrastructure services company, from August 1998 to August 2010, including most recently as Senior Vice President, Authentication Services. He has a bachelor’s degree in industrial engineering from Lehigh University.

Mr. Seifert has served as our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since March 2014. Prior to joining us, he was Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Brightstar Corporation, a wireless distribution and services company, from December 2012 to March 2014. From October 2009 to August 2012,

Mr. Seifert was Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer at Advanced Micro Devices, Inc., a semiconductor company. From October 2008 to August 2009, he served as Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer of Qimonda AG, a German memory chip manufacturer, and as Chief Operating Officer from June 2004 to October 2008. He also held executive positions at Infineon AG, White Oak Semiconductor, and Altis Semiconductor. Mr. Seifert has a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in business administration from Friedrich Alexander University and a master's degree in mathematics and economics from Wayne State University.

Mr. Taylor has served as our Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary since August 2008. From February 2007 to August 2008, Mr. Taylor served as our Vice President, Legal. Prior to joining Symantec, Mr. Taylor held various legal and administrative positions at Phoenix Technologies Ltd., a provider of core systems software, from January 2002 to February 2007, including most recently as Chief Administrative Officer, Senior Vice President and General Counsel. From May 2000 to September 2001, he was Vice President and General Counsel at Narus, Inc., a venture-backed private company that designs IP network management software. Mr. Taylor is a member of the board of directors of Piper Jaffray Companies. He holds a juris doctorate from George Washington University, and a bachelor's degree from Stanford University.

SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth information, as of August 1, 2014, with respect to the beneficial ownership of Symantec common stock by (i) each stockholder known by Symantec to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of Symantec common stock, (ii) each member of the Board, (iii) the named executive officers of Symantec included in the Summary Compensation Table appearing on page 49 of this proxy statement and (iv) all current executive officers and directors of Symantec as a group.

Beneficial ownership is determined under the rules of the SEC and generally includes voting or investment power with respect to securities. Unless otherwise indicated below, the persons and entities named in the table have sole voting and sole investment power with respect to all shares beneficially owned, subject to community property laws where applicable. Percentage ownership is based on 690,310,999 shares of Symantec common stock outstanding as of August 1, 2014 (excluding shares held in treasury). Shares of common stock subject to stock options and restricted stock units vesting on or before September 30, 2014 (within 60 days of August 1, 2014) are deemed to be outstanding and beneficially owned for purposes of computing the percentage ownership of such person but are not treated as outstanding for purposes of computing the percentage ownership of others.

<u>Name and Address of Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership</u>	<u>Percent of Class</u>
5% Beneficial Owner		
Dodge & Cox(1)	80,562,067	11.6%
BlackRock, Inc.(2)	45,071,959	6.5
Directors and Named Executive Officers		
Robert S. Miller(3)	209,988	**
Scott C. Taylor(4)	207,291	**
David L. Mahoney(5)	173,840	**
Michael A. Brown(6)	148,153	**
Daniel H. Schulman(7)	146,357	**
Stephen M. Bennett*	100,000	**
Geraldine B. Laybourne	91,739	**
Francis C. Rosch(8)	72,209	**
Frank E. Dangeard	71,495	**
V. Paul Unruh	49,046	**
Stephen E. Gillett	34,687	**
Anita M. Sands	16,636	**
Suzanne M. Vautrinot	15,686	**
Donald J. Rath*	4,426	**
Thomas J. Seifert	—	—
Mark S. Garfield	—	—
James A. Beer*	—	—
Andrew H. Del Matto*	—	—
Francis A. deSouza*	—	—
All current Symantec executive officers and directors as a group (15 persons)(9)	1,237,127	**

* Former officer.

** Less than 1%.

(1) Based solely on a Schedule 13G filing made by Dodge & Cox on February 13, 2014, reporting sole voting and dispositive power over the shares. This stockholder's address is 555 California Street, 40th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94104.

- (2) Based solely on a Schedule 13G filing made by BlackRock, Inc. on January 30, 2014, reporting sole voting and dispositive power over the shares. This stockholder's address is 40 East 52nd Street, New York, NY 10022.
- (3) Includes 36,000 shares subject to options that will be exercisable as of September 30, 2014.
- (4) Includes 144,000 shares subject to options that will be exercisable as of September 30, 2014.
- (5) Includes 36,000 shares subject to options that will be exercisable as of September 30, 2014.
- (6) Includes 12,000 shares subject to options that will be exercisable as of September 30, 2014.
- (7) Includes 36,000 shares subject to options that will be exercisable as of September 30, 2014.
- (8) Includes 60,500 shares subject to options that will be exercisable as of September 30, 2014.
- (9) Includes 324,500 shares subject to options that will be exercisable as of September 30, 2014.

Symantec has adopted a policy that executive officers and members of the Board hold an equity stake in the Company. The policy requires each executive officer to hold a minimum number of shares of Symantec common stock. Newly appointed executive officers are not required to immediately establish their position, but are expected to make regular progress to achieve it. The Nominating and Governance Committee reviews the minimum number of shares held by the executive officers and directors from time to time. The purpose of the policy is to more directly align the interests of our executive officers and directors with our stockholders. See "Stock Ownership Requirements" under the Compensation Discussion & Analysis section for a description of the stock ownership requirements applicable to our executive officers.

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires Symantec's directors, executive officers and any persons who own more than 10% of Symantec's common stock, to file initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership with the SEC. Such persons are required by SEC regulation to furnish Symantec with copies of all Section 16(a) forms that they file.

Based solely on its review of the copies of such forms furnished to Symantec and written representations from the directors and executive officers, Symantec believes that all Section 16(a) filing requirements were met in fiscal year 2014, except that one Form 4 reflecting a grant of restricted stock units to Mark S. Garfield and one Form 4 reflecting vesting of shares under a performance-based restricted stock unit grant for each of Stephen E. Gillett and Scott C. Taylor were filed late.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION AND RELATED INFORMATION

COMPENSATION DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS (CD&A)

This compensation discussion and analysis describes the material elements of Symantec's executive compensation program for fiscal 2014. For fiscal 2014, our named executive officers ("NEOs") include the following current officers:

- **Michael A. Brown**, interim President and Chief Executive Officer
- **Thomas J. Seifert**, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
- **Stephen E. Gillett**, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
- **Scott C. Taylor**, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Our NEOs also include, pursuant to applicable SEC rules, the following former executive officers:

- **Stephen M. Bennett**, former President and Chief Executive Officer
- **James A. Beer**, former Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
- **Francis A. deSouza**, former President, Products and Services
- **Andrew H. Del Matto**, former acting Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer
- **Donald J. Rath**, former interim Chief Financial Officer, interim Chief Accounting Officer and current Vice President, Tax

Our Compensation Philosophy and Practices

The overriding principle driving our compensation programs continues to be our belief that it benefits our employees, customers, partners and stockholders to have management's compensation tied to our current and long-term performance. The following factors demonstrate our continued commitment to pay-for-performance and to corporate governance best practices:

- We reward performance that meets our performance goals. Our compensation plans do not have guaranteed payout levels, and our named executive officers do not receive any payouts under performance-based cash or equity awards if the goals are not met. For example, for fiscal 2014, none of our named executive officers received a payout under our FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plans because we did not meet the threshold level of performance. Our compensation plans are also capped to discourage excessive or inappropriate risk taking by our executive officers.
- We continue to grant performance-based restricted stock units ("PRUs") to our named executive officers as a regular part of our annual executive compensation program. We do not award any stock options to our executives.
- The long-term equity incentive component of our former CEO's compensation package for fiscal 2014 was composed exclusively of performance-contingent stock units ("PCSUs"), which derive their value on the basis of increases in our stock price.
- Our various incentive plans use multiple measures that correlate to stockholder value, such that no single metric is overly emphasized in determining payouts.
- Our peer group consists primarily of businesses with a focus on software development or software and engineering-driven companies that compete with us for talent. Our peer group companies are comparable to us in terms of complexity, global reach, revenue and market capitalization.
- We have long-standing stock ownership guidelines for our named executive officers, requiring them to hold a minimum value in shares so that they have an even greater financial stake in our company, thereby further aligning the interests of our executive officers with those of our stockholders. We also prohibit the sale of any shares (except to meet tax withholding obligations) if doing so would cause them to fall below the required ownership levels.

- We do not provide for gross-ups of excise tax values under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- We limit any potential cash severance payments to under 3x our executive officers' total target cash compensation.
- We have clawback provisions in all of our executive compensation plans (providing for the return of any excess compensation received by an executive officer if our financial statements are the subject of a restatement due to error or misconduct).
- Our executive officers are prohibited from short-selling Symantec stock or engaging in transactions involving Symantec-based derivative securities, and are also prohibited from pledging their Symantec stock.
- Our equity incentive plan prohibits the repricing or exchange of equity awards without stockholder approval.
- We seek stockholder feedback on our executive compensation through an annual advisory vote and ongoing stockholder engagement.

Summary of Compensation Matters During Fiscal 2014

Business Changes and Performance in Fiscal 2014

In fiscal 2014 we implemented a number of operational changes to improve long-term performance and growth for Symantec:

- We simplified our organizational structure to reduce complexity, remove redundancies, increase the speed of decision making and improve accountability.
- We redesigned our sales coverage model by: (i) splitting our direct field sales team into security and information management specialists; (ii) building a dedicated renewals team to focus on extending and broadening our customer relationships; and (iii) redesigning our global channel strategy to focus on building partner competency, rewarding performance and customer satisfaction.
- We changed our product offerings by making our point solutions better, and designed new integrated solutions and expanded our offerings by entering into key partnerships to offer solutions that provide multi-tier protection.

In fiscal 2014, we also experienced significant departures of several of our senior executives, including the following:

- Stephen M. Bennett, our former President and Chief Executive Officer, was terminated by the Board on March 19, 2014;
- James A. Beer, our former Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer resigned effective October 8, 2013;
- Andrew H. Del Matto, who served as our former acting Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer following Mr. Beer's departure, resigned effective December 31, 2013; and
- Francis A. deSouza, our former President, Products and Services resigned effective November 11, 2013.

In addition to the changes noted above, Donald J. Rath, our current Vice President, Tax, served as our interim Chief Financial Officer and interim Chief Accounting Officer while we searched for a permanent Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer from January 1, 2014 to March 17, 2014.

Despite these changes, we have recruited and are retaining a number of talented executives, and continue operating with a strong team of business and technology leaders, including:

- Thomas J. Seifert, our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer who joined us on March 17, 2014, brings a wealth of operational and finance experience from a number of global technology companies;
- Stephen E. Gillett, our Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, has been key in implementing our operational changes;

- Scott C. Taylor, our Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, has been a strong leader and business partner throughout Symantec’s transformation; and
- We added several new technology executives, who bring valuable skills in holistic information protection product design, integrated IT implementation, cloud infrastructure, eCommerce, and global sales, operations and customer experience.

Michael A. Brown, our interim President and Chief Executive Officer, has been instrumental in maintaining continuity and improving the company’s performance as the Board actively searches for a permanent President and Chief Executive Officer. The Board has retained Russell Reynolds (an executive search firm) to assist them in the search for a permanent chief executive officer who, among other things, understands the technology landscape, has expertise in growing a multi-product business at scale, and has a strong record of collaborative leadership.

We also implemented a capital allocation strategy through which we strengthened our commitment to return excess capital to our stockholders using a combination of quarterly cash dividend payments and share repurchases totaling \$918 million, which represented approximately 90% of our free cash flow during fiscal 2014. We returned a total of \$418 million in cash dividends and spent \$500 million to repurchase 21 million shares during fiscal 2014.

In fiscal 2014, Symantec delivered revenue of \$6.7 billion, a year-over-year decline of 3%. We attribute this decline to the significant operational changes we implemented in fiscal 2014, including changes to our go-to-market coverage model. Our non-GAAP net income increased by 8% and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share increased 9% year over year.

Financial and Compensation Metrics, Performance Achievement and Incentive Plan Earnings

During fiscal 2014, we used three core financial operating metrics as well as total shareholder returns (“TSR”) relative to the S&P 500 to assess company performance and determine incentive compensation amounts earned by our officers. The operating metrics used in our executive compensation programs are: non-GAAP operating income, revenue and non-GAAP earnings per share (“EPS”). These metrics were selected because we believe they are strongly correlated to enterprise value for companies in our sector and support the appropriate behaviors for our leadership team to drive company performance. For a significant portion of the long-term equity incentive compensation component of our regular annual executive compensation program, we also used two other metrics that more directly align the interests of our executive officers to those of our stockholders: our stock price and TSR ranking for our company as compared to the S&P 500. In addition, individual performance was a factor in the potential annual incentive awards of our named executive officers, other than our former CEO, under our Executive Annual Incentive Plan.

As noted above, our fiscal 2014 financial performance was below our expected levels. For our incentive plans, performance and resulting earning levels are as follows:

<u>Incentive Plan</u>	<u>Fiscal 2014 Performance</u>	<u>Incentive Award Outcome</u>
FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our non-GAAP operating income(1) was below our threshold level of performance for fiscal 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero funding and no payouts for our executive officers • We believe this demonstrates our commitment to paying for performance
Fiscal 2014 PRU Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our non-GAAP EPS⁽¹⁾ was 99% of our targeted performance level of \$1.89 for the full fiscal year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 98% of the targeted number of shares are eligible to be earned, subject to modification on final shares earned based on Symantec’s 2- and 3-year relative TSR versus the S&P 500
Fiscal 2014 PCSU Grant (former CEO only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At no point did our 60-day average stock price achieve the minimum earning threshold level of \$26.79 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No shares vested based on performance due to our not achieving the minimum performance hurdle

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- (1) Consistent with the presentation in our quarterly earnings releases and supplemental materials, under our executive compensation programs, we define (i) non-GAAP operating income as gross profits less operating expenses before interest and taxes, adjusted to exclude stock-based compensation expense, restructuring and transition charges, charges related to the amortization of intangible assets, and the related tax impact of these adjustments; and (ii) non-GAAP EPS as diluted net income per share as adjusted to exclude the items described above, as well as non-cash interest expense, value-added tax refunds a tax from the China tax bureau, certain other tax benefits, and the related tax impact of these adjustments.

NEO Compensation

Our named executive officers were compensated in a manner consistent with our core pay-for-performance compensation philosophy. The following are some important elements of our named executive officers' compensation for fiscal 2014:

- **Majority of pay mix at risk.** For fiscal 2014, approximately 91% of our former CEO's target total direct compensation was at risk and approximately 84% of the target total direct compensation for our other named executive officers (other than our interim CEO, CFO, former acting CFO and former interim CFO), on average, was at risk.
- **Long-term incentive compensation linked exclusively to share price for former CEO.** For fiscal 2014, the long-term incentive compensation component of our former CEO's compensation package was comprised exclusively of a PCSU grant that was directly tied to increasing our stock price, and thus was designed to reward our CEO for providing tangible value to our stockholders.
- **Short-term incentive compensation linked exclusively to Company financial results.** Our executive annual incentive bonus was structured to emphasize performance. Under the FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plans, the named executive officers were eligible to receive performance-based incentive bonuses based on our company's achievement of targeted non-GAAP operating income for fiscal 2014, as modified by our company's achievement of targeted revenue during fiscal 2014.
- **Long-term incentive compensation is 100% equity-based.** We discontinued using a long-term cash incentive award as a component of our long-term executive compensation program. For fiscal 2014, the long-term compensation component of our named executive officers' compensation packages consisted entirely of long-term equity incentive awards.
- **Peer group aligned with competitors for talent and similar business models.** Based in part on feedback obtained from our ongoing engagement with stockholders and their advisers, the Compensation and Leadership Development Committee of the Board (the "Compensation Committee") adjusted our peer group to include companies that are more similar to us in terms of complexity, global reach and revenue and market capitalization. They primarily selected businesses with a focus on software development or software and engineering-driven companies that compete with us for executive and broader talent.
- **Performance measures are non-duplicative.** We eliminated the duplication of the non-GAAP EPS metric in both the cash annual incentive plan and the PRU equity incentive plan. In fiscal 2014, the cash annual incentive plan metric was non-GAAP operating income, which we believe our executives have a more direct ability to affect.
- **Increased stock ownership guidelines.** To enhance the alignment between our executive officers and stockholder interests, in July 2013 we increased the level of our stock ownership guidelines for our Chief Operating Officer and President, Products and Services so that they have a minimum holding requirement of 3x their base salaries.
- **Severance of former CEO per employment and equity agreements.** As stated above, our former CEO was terminated effective March 19, 2014. In accordance with his employment agreement, he received a cash severance payment equal to 1.5 times his annual base salary and target bonus, an acceleration of restricted stock units ("RSUs") and reimbursement of COBRA premiums for eighteen months. He also received acceleration of PCSUs and PRUs in accordance with the terms in his PCSU agreement and PRU agreement, respectively.

“Say on Pay” Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

We hold an advisory vote on executive compensation, commonly known as “Say-on-Pay,” on an annual basis. While these votes are not binding, we believe that it is important for our stockholders to have an opportunity to express their views regarding our executive compensation programs and philosophy as disclosed in our proxy statement on an annual basis. The Compensation Committee values our stockholders’ opinions and the Board and the Compensation Committee consider the outcome of each vote when making future compensation decisions for our named executive officers. In addition to the annual advisory vote on executive compensation, we are committed to ongoing engagement with our stockholders on executive compensation matters generally. These engagement efforts take place through telephone calls, in-person meetings and correspondence with our stockholders.

We have received approximately 98%, 97% and 97% of the votes cast on the advisory vote in favor of our executive compensation in fiscal 2011, fiscal 2012 and fiscal 2013, respectively. The Board and the Compensation Committee considered these favorable outcomes and believe they convey our stockholders’ support of our existing executive compensation philosophy and programs; therefore, these outcomes did not have a material impact on executive compensation decisions and policies for fiscal 2014. Nonetheless, as noted above, the Compensation Committee introduced a few changes to the structure of our executive compensation programs for fiscal 2014 based on feedback received from a majority of our top 100 investors and their advisers. The Compensation Committee adjusted our peer group as described further on page 34. The Compensation Committee also changed the metrics for our cash annual incentive plans for fiscal 2014 so that the same metrics are not used for our all of our performance-based compensation, including PRU awards, as described starting on page 38.

Roles of Our Compensation Committee, Executive Officers and Consultants in our Compensation Process

The Compensation Committee, which is comprised entirely of independent directors, is responsible for overseeing all of Symantec’s compensation programs, including the review and recommendation to the independent directors of our Board of all compensation arrangements for our CEO and the review and approval of the compensation payable to our other named executive officers.

The independent directors of the Board evaluate the CEO’s performance and the Compensation Committee then reviews and recommends to the independent members of the Board all compensation arrangements for the CEO. After discussion, the independent members of the Board determine the CEO’s compensation. The Compensation Committee also discusses the performance of the other named executive officers with the CEO, reviews the compensation recommendations that the CEO submits for the other named executive officers, makes any appropriate adjustments, and approves their compensation. While our CEO provides input and makes compensation recommendations with respect to executive officers other than himself, our CEO does not make recommendations with respect to his own compensation or participate in the deliberations regarding the setting of his own compensation by the Board or the Compensation Committee.

Since fiscal 2004, the Compensation Committee has engaged Mercer, an outside consulting firm, to provide advice and ongoing recommendations on executive compensation matters. The Compensation Committee oversees Mercer’s engagement. Mercer representatives meet informally with the Compensation Committee Chair and the Chief Human Resources Officer and also with the Compensation Committee during its regular meetings, including in executive sessions from time to time without any members of management present.

As part of its engagement in fiscal 2014, Mercer provided, among other services, advice and recommendations on the amount and form of executive and director compensation. For example, Mercer evaluated and advised the Compensation Committee on the peer group that the Compensation Committee uses to develop a market composite for purposes of establishing named executive officer pay levels (as described below), the competitiveness of our director and executive compensation programs, the design of awards under and proposed performance metrics and ranges for incentive plans, compensation-related trends and developments in our industry and the broader talent market and regulatory developments relating to compensation practices.

We paid Mercer approximately \$203,500 for executive compensation services in fiscal 2014. In addition, with the Compensation Committee’s approval, management engaged and Symantec paid Mercer and its affiliates for other services, including approximately \$2.057 million for other unrelated consulting and business services.

We also reimbursed Mercer and its affiliates for reasonable travel and business expenses. The Compensation Committee did not review or approve the other services provided by Mercer and its affiliates to Symantec, as those services were approved by management in the normal course of business. Based in part on policies and procedures implemented by Mercer to ensure the objectivity of its executive compensation consultants and the Compensation Committee's assessment of Mercer's independence pursuant to the SEC rules, the Compensation Committee concluded that the consulting advice it receives from Mercer is objective and not influenced by Mercer and its affiliates' other relationships with Symantec and that no conflict of interest exists that will prevent Mercer from being independent consultants to the Compensation Committee.

The Compensation Committee establishes our compensation philosophy, approves our compensation programs and solicits input and advice from several of our executive officers and Mercer. As mentioned above, our CEO provides the Board of Directors and the Compensation Committee with feedback on the performance of our executive officers and makes compensation recommendations (other than with respect to his own compensation) that go to the Compensation Committee for their approval. Our CEO, Chief Human Resources Officer and General Counsel regularly attend the Compensation Committee's meetings to provide their perspectives on competition in the industry, the needs of the business, information regarding Symantec's performance, and other advice specific to their areas of expertise. In addition, at the Compensation Committee's direction, Mercer works with our Chief Human Resources Officer and other members of management to obtain information necessary for Mercer to make their own recommendations as to various matters as well as to evaluate management's recommendations.

FACTORS WE CONSIDER IN DETERMINING OUR COMPENSATION PROGRAMS

We apply a number of compensation policies and analytic tools in implementing our compensation principles. These policies and tools guide the Compensation Committee in determining the mix and value of the compensation components for our named executive officers, consistent with our compensation philosophy. They include:

Focus on Pay-for-Performance: Our executive compensation program is designed to reward executives for results. As described below, the pay mix for our named executive officers emphasizes variable pay in the form of short-term cash and long-term equity awards. For cash awards, short-term results are measured by non-GAAP operating income, annual revenue and, for all our named executive officers other than our CEO, individual performance. A significant portion of equity grants for our named executive officers other than our CEO are directly performance based, with base-level grants set by performance versus non-GAAP EPS targets, modified over an extended term by the achievement of the total stockholder return ranking for our company as compared to the S&P 500. The value of the remainder equity grants to our named executive officers other than our CEO is determined by performance as reflected in our absolute company share price.

A Total Rewards Approach: Elements of the total rewards offered to our executive officers include base salary, short- and long-term incentives including equity awards, health benefits, a deferred compensation program and a consistent focus on individual professional growth and opportunities for new challenges.

Appropriate Market Positioning: Our general pay positioning strategy is to target the levels of base salary, annual short-term cash incentive structure and long-term equity incentive opportunities and benefits for our named executive officers with reference to the relevant market data for each position. The Compensation Committee may set the actual components for an individual named executive officer above or below the positioning benchmark based on factors such as experience, performance achieved, specific skills or competencies, the desired pay mix (e.g., emphasizing short- or long-term results), and our budget.

Competitive Market Assessments: Market competitiveness is one factor that the Compensation Committee considers each year in determining a named executive officer's overall compensation package, including pay mix. The Compensation Committee relies on various data sources to evaluate the market competitiveness of each pay element, including publicly-disclosed data from a peer group of companies (see discussion below) and published survey data from a broader set of information technology companies that the Compensation Committee, based on the advice of Mercer, believes represent Symantec's competition in the broader talent market. The peer group's proxy statements provide detailed pay data for the top five positions. Survey data, which we obtain from the Radford Global Technology Survey and Radford Global Sales Survey, provides compensation information on

a broader group of executives and from a broader group of information technology companies, with positions matched based on specific job scope and responsibilities. The Compensation Committee considers data from these sources as a framework for making compensation decisions for each named executive officer's position.

The information technology industry in which we compete is characterized by rapid rates of change and intense competition from small and large companies, and the companies within this industry have significant cross-over in leadership talent needs. As such, we compete for executive talent with leading software and services companies as well as in the broad information technology industry. We particularly face intense competition with companies located in the geographic areas where Symantec operates, regardless of specific industry focus or company size. Further, because we believe that stockholders measure our performance against a wide array of technology peers, the Compensation Committee uses a peer group that consists of a broader group of high technology companies in different market segments that are of a comparable size to us. The Compensation Committee uses this peer group, as well as other relevant market data, to evaluate named executive officer pay levels (as described above).

The Compensation Committee reviews our peer group on an annual basis, with input from Mercer, and the group may be adjusted from time to time based on, among other inputs, a comparison of revenues, market capitalization, industry and peer group performance. Our Compensation Committee adjusted our peer group for fiscal 2014 based in part on feedback obtained from a majority of our top 100 investors and their advisers, as well as input from Mercer, and after taking into consideration what is appropriate for our company, stockholders and management team. The following criteria were used to select our updated peer group:

- Businesses with an intense software development focus
- Similar breadth of complexity and global reach as Symantec
- Annual revenue of \$1.5 billion — \$20.0 billion
- Market capitalization of \$4.0 billion — \$61.0 billion
- Software and engineering-driven companies in the Silicon Valley or elsewhere with which we compete for executive and broader talent

Based on the new selection criteria discussed above, the following companies were removed from our peer group because they no longer fit the revenue, market cap size or industry selection criteria: Analog Devices, Inc., Apple Inc., Harris Corporation, Juniper Networks, Inc., Lexmark International, Inc., Oracle Corporation, Qualcomm Incorporated and Seagate Technology Pty.

Additionally, the following ten companies were added to our peer group because they fit the new selection criteria: Activision Blizzard, Inc., Autodesk, Inc., BMC Software, Inc., Citrix Systems, Inc., eBay Inc., Intuit Inc., Nuance Communications, Inc., salesforce.com, inc., Synopsys, Inc. and VMWare, Inc.

The Compensation Committee has used the below peer group in setting the compensation for our named executive officers, except for our current interim CEO, for fiscal 2014:

Fiscal 2014 Symantec Peer Group

Activision Blizzard, Inc.	eBay Inc.	Nuance Communications, Inc.
Adobe Systems Incorporated	Electronic Arts Inc.	salesforce.com, inc.
Autodesk, Inc.	EMC Corporation	Synopsys, Inc.
BMC Software, Inc.	Intuit Inc.	VMware, Inc.
CA, Inc.	NetApp, Inc.	Yahoo! Inc.
Citrix Systems, Inc.		

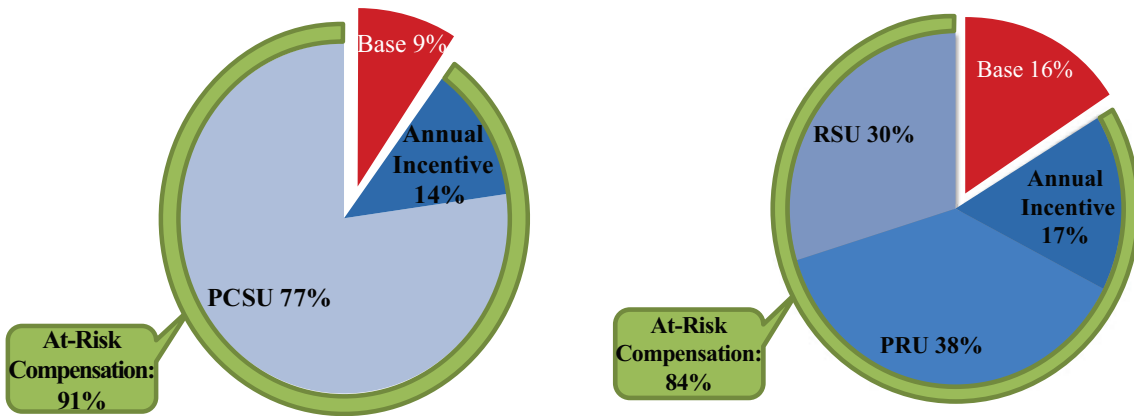
The Compensation Committee uses these peer companies for comparative purposes, as discussed above. In fiscal 2014, compensation for individual executive officers was not dependent on how we performed relative to these peers with respect to particular financial metrics. Further information regarding the financial results and performance of any of the peer companies may be found in periodic reports those companies file with the SEC.

Appropriate Pay Mix: Consistent with our pay-for-performance philosophy, our executive officers' compensation is structured with a large portion of their total direct compensation paid based on the performance of our company and the individual. In determining the mix of the various reward elements and the value of each component, the Compensation Committee takes into account the executive's role, the competitiveness of the market for executive talent, company performance, individual performance, internal pay equity and historical compensation. In making its determinations with regard to compensation, the Compensation Committee reviews the various compensation elements for the CEO and our other named executive officers (including base salary, target annual bonus, and the value of vested and unvested equity awards actually or potentially issued).

The percentage of an executive officer's compensation opportunity that is "at-risk," or variable instead of fixed, is based primarily on the officer's level of influence at Symantec. Executive officers generally have a greater portion of their pay at risk through short- and long-term incentive programs than the rest of our employee population because of their relatively greater responsibility and ability to influence our company's performance. Typically, a materially higher proportion of the CEO's compensation opportunity is at-risk relative to our other named executive officers because the nature of his role and ability to influence our company's performance. As illustrated by the following charts, for fiscal 2014, approximately 91% of our former CEO's target total direct compensation (sum of base salary, target annual incentive and grant date fair value of equity award) was at-risk, and on average approximately 84% of our other named executive officers' (excluding our former CEO, current interim CEO, CFO, former acting CFO and former interim CFO) compensation opportunity was at-risk compensation.

FY14 Former CEO Target Direct Compensation Mix

FY14 Other NEO Target Direct Compensation Mix



Form and Mix of Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation: The long-term equity incentive compensation component of our regular annual executive compensation program consists of PRUs and RSUs for all of our named executive officers, except for our CEO. Our former CEO's long-term equity incentive compensation for 2014 consisted of PCSUs only, and our current interim CEO did not receive any long-term equity incentive compensation for fiscal 2014. We allocated all of the value of our former CEO's target total long-term equity incentive award in the form of PCSUs, as depicted in the chart above. We believed these allocations would strike the appropriate balance between performance and retention for long-term equity incentive awards. We no longer offer stock options as a regular part of our annual executive compensation program and we may further adjust the mix and forms of equity award we offer to our named executive officers, including the CEO, in the future.

For fiscal 2014, our former CEO received approximately 77% of the value of his target total direct compensation in the form of PCSUs. Other named executive officers (excluding our former CEO, current interim CEO, CFO, former acting CFO and former interim CFO), received on average, approximately 38% of the target value of their equity compensation in the form of PRUs and 30% in RSUs.

These percentages (and other percentage-based equity awards values discussed below) are based on the grant date fair value of the shares of common stock underlying the RSUs, and the grant date fair value of the PRUs and PCSUs at the target level award size. The awards made to our named executive officers, other than the

CEO, are determined by the Compensation Committee after reviewing recommendations made by the CEO. In determining its recommendations to the independent directors of the Board, in the case of CEO compensation, and in making compensation decisions with respect to other named executive officers, the Compensation Committee may consider factors such as the individual's responsibilities, the individual's performance, industry experience, current pay mix, total compensation competitiveness, long-term equity and cash awards previously granted to the individual, retention considerations, and other factors.

Compensation Risk Assessment: The Compensation Committee, in consultation with Mercer, has conducted its annual risk analysis on Symantec's compensation policies and practices, and does not believe that our compensation programs encourage excessive or inappropriate risk taking by our executives or are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on Symantec.

COMPENSATION COMPONENTS

The major components of compensation for our named executive officers during fiscal 2014 were: (i) base salary, (ii) short-term cash incentive awards, and (iii) long-term equity incentive awards.

I. Base Salary

The Compensation Committee reviews the named executive officers' salaries annually as part of its overall competitive market assessment and may make adjustments based on talent, experience, performance, contribution levels, individual role, positioning relative to market, and our overall salary budget. The independent members of the Board of Directors review the CEO's salary in executive session (*i.e.*, without any executives present), and changes are considered in light of market pay assessments and the Board's annual CEO performance evaluation, in each case without the participation of our CEO. In setting the base salaries for the other named executive officers, the Compensation Committee also considers the recommendations of the CEO based upon his annual review of their performance. Although the Compensation Committee takes into account the factors and information described above during its review and determination of the base salary for each executive officer, it does not assign a specific weight to any element and does not measure individual performance against an objective standard in the evaluation of an executive officer's base salary. Instead, these reviews and determinations are based on the Compensation Committee's subjective judgment taking into account all available information, including the competitive market assessment.

In connection with the appointment of our current interim Chief Executive Officer in March 2014, the independent members of the Board negotiated an employment arrangement with him that provides for a base salary of \$100,000 per month for as long as he serves as interim Chief Executive Officer. In negotiating and setting his base salary, the Board considered the nature and importance of his responsibilities to maintain and improve the performance of our company as we search for a permanent Chief Executive Officer, as well as the expected time horizon for the CEO search. The Board also took into consideration his talents, leadership experience and track record as a CEO. The independent members of the Board did not benchmark other companies' pay practices in similar situations, but did determine that this arrangement was fair and reasonable in view of their qualitative assessment of Mr. Brown's expected contributions in his role, our business needs and the potential costs and benefits.

The Compensation Committee used a different approach to determine Mr. Seifert's annual base salary. In his case, the Compensation Committee targeted the level of his annual base salary with reference to his annual base salary with his then-current employer.

Base salaries for Messrs. Gillett, Taylor, Bennett, Beer and deSouza remained the same from the previous year, as their annual base salaries were deemed effective in continuing to achieve the Compensation Committee’s goals for this component of executive compensation. Following Mr. Beer’s departure, Mr. Del Matto was appointed as our Acting Chief Financial Officer in October 2013 at which time he received a 7.3% increase in recognition of his increased responsibilities. The following table presents each named executive officer’s base salary for fiscal 2014 as compared to fiscal 2013:

<u>Name of NEO</u>	<u>Change in Salary</u>	<u>FY14 Annual Salary (\$)</u>	<u>Description</u>
Michael A. Brown	n/a	1,200,000(1)	Mr. Brown was appointed interim President and Chief Executive Officer in March 2014 with a salary of \$100,000 per month during his term as interim President and Chief Executive Officer.
Thomas J. Seifert	n/a	720,000(2)	Mr. Seifert was hired as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in March 2014. His base salary is equal to the base salary he had with his former employer.
Stephen E. Gillett	—	875,000	Mr. Gillett did not receive a base salary increase in fiscal 2014. The Compensation Committee deems his salary as competitive and appropriate for his position.
Scott C. Taylor	—	420,000	Mr. Taylor did not receive a base salary increase in fiscal 2014. The Compensation Committee deems his salary as competitive and appropriate for his position.
<u>Former Officers</u>			
Stephen M. Bennett	—	1,000,000	Mr. Bennett did not receive a base salary increase in fiscal 2014.
James A. Beer	—	700,000	Mr. Beer did not receive a base salary increase in fiscal 2014.
Francis A. deSouza	—	700,000	Mr. deSouza did not receive a base salary increase in fiscal 2014.
Andrew H. Del Matto	7.3%	365,000(3)	Mr. Del Matto’s annual base salary for substantially all of his employment during fiscal 2014 was \$340,000. He did not receive a salary increase for fiscal 2014 until he received a 7.3% increase in October 2013 in connection with his appointment as Acting Chief Financial Officer.
Donald J. Rath	4.8%	325,000	Mr. Rath received a 4.8% increase in base salary as part of his FY13 annual review process in his role as Vice President, Tax.

- (1) Mr. Brown received a prorated salary of \$36,364 based on his period of employment as our interim President and Chief Executive Officer in fiscal 2014. During fiscal 2015, the independent members of the Board increased Mr. Brown’s salary to \$200,000 per month, effective June 1, 2014, to reflect the increased effort and time commitment required of Mr. Brown.
- (2) Mr. Seifert received a prorated salary of \$30,000 based on his period of employment as our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in fiscal 2014.
- (3) Mr. Del Matto received a salary of \$259,167 in fiscal 2014. This amount reflects payments based on his original base salary of \$340,000 for the first seven months of fiscal 2014 and his adjusted salary until his resignation in December 2013.

II. Executive Annual Incentive Plan

The Executive Annual Incentive Plans for our executive officers are adopted pursuant to the Senior Executive Incentive Plan (“SEIP”) most recently approved by our stockholders in 2013. The Executive Annual Incentive Plans adopted under the SEIP are annual cash incentive plans that are designed to reward named executive officers (and other participants) for generating strong financial results for our Company in the short term. To support collaboration within the senior leadership group, all named executive officers earn incentive compensation based on performance against pre-determined corporate goals described below. The Compensation Committee typically measures the achievement of named executive officers (other than our CEO) against individual performance targets as well.

Executive Annual Incentive Plan Target Opportunities: Under the Executive Annual Incentive Plans for a given fiscal year, each named executive officer has a target award opportunity, expressed as a percentage of base salary, with the ability to earn above or below that target based on actual performance. Target award opportunities for our Executive Annual Incentive Plans are established by the Compensation Committee using peer group and survey data and taking into account other factors, such as internal equity and competitive pressures affecting retention. The following table presents each named executive officer’s target bonus opportunity (on an actual and percentage of base salary basis) for fiscal 2014:

	<u>FY14 Target % of Base</u>	<u>FY14 Target (\$)</u>
Michael A. Brown	n/a	n/a(1)
Thomas J. Seifert	n/a	n/a(1)
Stephen E. Gillett	125	1,093,750
Scott C. Taylor	65	273,000
<u>Former Officers</u>		
Stephen M. Bennett	150	1,500,000
James A. Beer	100	700,000
Francis A. deSouza	125	875,000
Andrew H. Del Matto	60	211,066
Donald J. Rath	40	128,612

(1) Messrs. Brown and Seifert did not participate in the Executive Annual Incentive Plans in fiscal 2014.

In general, the award opportunities for fiscal 2014 were determined based on the relevant market data, desired market positions, the desired mix between cash and equity-based incentive pay, internal pay equity goals, and the role of the named executive officer.

At the time award opportunities are established, there is no assurance that the amount of the target awards will be realized. As explained below, each named executive officer must achieve threshold performance for each metric established in the named executive officer’s executive annual incentive plan to receive any payment for such metric. The payout under the Executive Annual Incentive Plan is also capped at different levels based on the relevant performance metric.

Executive Annual Incentive Plan Performance Measures and Target Setting: Executive Annual Incentive Plan performance targets are established at or about the beginning of each plan year. Our management develops proposed goals with reference to a variety of factors, including our historical performance, internal budgets, market and peer performance, and external expectations for our performance. The Compensation Committee reviews, adjusts as necessary, and approves the goals, the range of performance, and the weighting of the goals. Following the end of each fiscal year, the Compensation Committee reviews our actual performance against the performance measures established in the fiscal year’s Executive Annual Incentive Plans (after making any appropriate adjustments to such measures for the effects of corporate events that were not anticipated in establishing the performance measures), determines the extent of achievement and approves the payment of annual cash incentives, if warranted.

For fiscal 2014, the Executive Annual Incentive Plan was funded by two primary measures: non-GAAP operating income and revenue. The primary funding metric is non-GAAP operating income. This metric was

selected as we believe it is a significant indicator of shareholder value creation, and improving profitability was a strategic focus in fiscal 2014. It is also a metric that can be measured at various sub-business unit levels within our company. Any funding generated by the non-GAAP operating income achievement would be modified up or down based upon revenue achievement versus goals. Revenue was used as a secondary modifier in fiscal 2014 because revenue growth was considered to be a secondary strategic priority as our business underwent its organization changes as noted in the Executive Summary above.

The determination of achievement of the non-GAAP operating income and revenue metrics is formulaic, while the individual performance metric is determined based on a qualitative evaluation of the individual's performance against pre-established objectives with input from our CEO. In rating the individual's performance, the Compensation Committee gives weight to the input of our CEO, but final decisions about the compensation of our named executive officers are made solely by the Compensation Committee. Although the Compensation Committee has the discretion to adjust awards as appropriate, it did not exercise such discretion for fiscal 2014.

For the non-GAAP operating income metric, for every 1% achievement above target the initial funding of the named executive officer's target bonus opportunity increases by 10%; for every 1% underachievement below target the funding decreases by 6%; there is no funding if the achievement is below 95%; and the funding is capped at 200% of target for achievement at or above 110%. For the revenue modifier metric, for every 1% achievement above target the initial funding amount increases by 2.5%; for every 1% achievement under target the funding decreases by 10%; there is no funding if the achievement is below 95%; and the modifier percentage is capped at 10% for achievement at or above 104%. The actual individual payouts are further modified based on the individual performance factor generally in the range of 0-140% based on the performance achievement against pre-established goals for the fiscal year. The following table summarizes the foregoing discussion of threshold, target and maximum performance levels and the relative funding levels at each level under the FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plans:

	<u>Non-GAAP Operating Income (%)</u>	<u>Revenue Modifier (%)</u>	<u>Individual Performance Modifier (%)</u>	<u>Total Payout as a Percentage of Target (%)</u>
Threshold	70	-40	35	14.7
Target	100	0	100	100
Maximum	200	10	140	308

We used the above performance metrics because:

- Over time, we believe that non-GAAP operating income and revenue measures have strongly correlated with stockholder value creation for Symantec;
- the non-GAAP operating income and revenue measures are transparent to investors and are included in our quarterly earnings releases and supplemental materials;
- the non-GAAP operating income and revenue measures are designed to balance growth and profitability; and
- the performance goals used for the individual performance component align with our operational and strategic objectives.

Non-GAAP operating income and revenue performance targets were established based on a range of inputs, including external market economic conditions, growth outlooks for our product portfolio, the competitive environment, our internal budgets, and market expectations.

The individual award is determined based on an assessment of individual performance results and impact against both quantitative and qualitative expectations for the executive's role.

An executive's performance is evaluated based on both quantitative and qualitative results in the following area:

- financial and operational goals for their area of responsibility and the entire company;
- leadership qualities as well as functional competencies and knowledge for their area of responsibility; and
- development and management of their team of employees.

Leadership skills are a common component to each of these objectives and are a significant factor in the assessment of individual performance. The executive's willingness to contribute to cross-functional initiatives outside his or her primary area of responsibility, and the executive's contribution to our company's performance-based culture, are also extremely important aspects of the individual performance assessment.

The CEO evaluates the performance level of each named executive officer's performance against the pre-determined goals following the end of fiscal year and then makes a recommendation to the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee then reviews the CEO's compensation recommendations for the other named executive officers, makes any appropriate adjustments, and approves their compensation.

Achievement of Fiscal Year 2014 Performance Metrics:

For fiscal 2014, our non-GAAP operating income target was \$1,925 million and our revenue target was \$6,949 million. The Compensation Committee determined that we achieved 93.9% of the non-GAAP operating income metric and 96.4% for the revenue metric. Since we did not meet the threshold level performance for the non-GAAP operating income metric (95.0% of target), the FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plan for the named executive officers was not funded. For purposes of calculating achievement of these metrics, consistent with the presentation of non-GAAP operating income in our quarterly supplemental materials, foreign exchange movements were held constant at plan rates, pursuant to the terms of the plans. If we had achieved at least the threshold level of achievement for the non-GAAP operating income metric, the revenue modifier would have been (30%).

For fiscal 2014, the Compensation Committee did not evaluate achievement of the individual performance metrics for Messrs. Gillett, Taylor and Rath because the FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plans pool was not funded as a result of our underperformance with respect to the non-GAAP operating income metric as described above. Also, as noted below, Messrs. Brown and Seifert did not participate in the Executive Annual Incentive Plans since Mr. Brown's role is interim CEO and Mr. Seifert joined our company less than a month before our fiscal year end. Our named executive officers' fiscal 2014 annual incentive payout level by performance metric, total payout as percentage of target opportunity and total payout amounts are provided in the table below:

	<u>Non-GAAP Operating Income Funding</u>	<u>Revenue Modifier Funding</u>	<u>Individual Performance Modifier Funding</u>	<u>Payout Amount (\$)</u>
Michael A. Brown	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a(1)
Thomas J. Seifert	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a(1)
Stephen E. Gillett	—	—	—	—
Scott C. Taylor	—	—	—	—
<u>Former Officers</u>				
Stephen M. Bennett	—	—	—	n/a(2)
James A. Beer	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a(2)
Francis A. deSouza	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a(2)
Andrew H. Del Matto	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a(2)
Donald J. Rath	—	—	—	—

- (1) Messrs. Brown and Seifert did not participate in the Executive Annual Incentive Plans in fiscal 2014.
- (2) Messrs. Bennett, Beer, Del Matto and deSouza were not eligible for an award since they were not employed with us at the end of fiscal 2014.

III. Equity Incentive Awards

The primary purpose of our equity incentive awards is to align the interests of our named executive officers with those of our stockholders by rewarding the named executive officers for creating stockholder value over the long-term. By compensating our executives with equity incentive awards, our executives hold a stake in the Company's financial future. The gains realized in the long term depend on our executives' ability to drive the financial performance of the Company. Equity incentive awards are also a useful vehicle for attracting and retaining executive talent in our competitive talent market.

Our 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (the “2004 Plan”) and 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (the “2013 Plan”) provide for the award of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, and restricted stock units (including PRUs and PCSUs). For fiscal 2014, the equity incentive component of our executive compensation program consisted of PRUs and RSUs for all of our named executive officers and PCSUs for our former CEO (as described in more detail below, including under the Summary Compensation Table and Grants of Plan-Based Awards table on pages 49 and 55, respectively). We also offer all employees the opportunity to participate in the 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, which allows for the purchase of our stock at a discount to the fair market value through payroll deductions. This plan is designed to comply with Section 423 of the Code. During fiscal 2014, five of the named executive officers participated in the 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

We seek to provide equity incentive awards that are competitive with companies in our peer group and the other information technology companies that the Compensation Committee includes in its competitive market assessment. As such, we establish target equity incentive award grant guideline levels for the named executive officers based on competitive market assessments. When making annual equity awards to named executive officers, we consider corporate results during the past year, the role, responsibility and performance of the individual named executive officer, the competitive market assessment described above, prior equity awards, and the level of vested and unvested equity awards then held by each named executive officer. In making equity awards, we also generally take into consideration gains recognizable by the executive from equity awards made in prior years. Mercer provides the Compensation Committee with market data on these matters, as well as providing to the Compensation Committee summaries of the prior grants made to the individual named executive officers.

As discussed below, the Compensation Committee believes that for fiscal 2014, a mix of RSUs and PRUs (and, in the case of our former CEO, PCSUs) is the appropriate long-term equity incentive for named executive officers, and stock options are no longer granted to the named executive officers as a regular part of our annual executive compensation program. For fiscal 2014, approximately 77% of our former CEO’s target total direct compensation (sum of base salary, target annual incentive and grant date fair value of equity awards) was granted in the form of PCSUs. In addition, on average, 38% of our named executive officers’ (other than our current interim CEO, our former CEO, CFO, former acting CFO and former interim CFO) target total direct compensation was granted in the form of PRUs and approximately 30% in the form of RSUs. This mix of equity incentive awards reflected our philosophy to allocate an equal target value of PRUs and RSUs to our named executive officers (other than our CEO).

Restricted Stock Units (RSUs): RSUs represent the right to receive one share of Symantec common stock for each RSU vested upon the settlement date, which is the date on which certain conditions, such as continued employment with us for a pre-determined length of time, are satisfied. The Compensation Committee believes that RSUs align the interests of the named executive officers with the interests of the stockholders because the value of these awards appreciates if the trading price of our common stock appreciates, and these awards also have retention value even during periods in which our trading price does not appreciate, which supports continuity in the senior management team.

Shares of our stock are issued to RSU holders as the awards vest. The vesting schedule for RSUs granted to our named executive officers in fiscal 2014 provided that each award vests in four equal annual installments.

Performance-based Restricted Stock Units (PRUs): The Compensation Committee grants PRUs in furtherance of our pay for performance philosophy. Implementation of this program represents an important step taken by our Compensation Committee to continue to drive a pay-for-performance culture with a component directly linked to our total stockholder return over two and three-year periods. Unlike our restricted stock unit awards, the shares underlying the PRUs awarded for fiscal 2014 are eligible to be earned only if we achieve a threshold of non-GAAP EPS. Depending on our achievement of this metric, 0% to 133% of the target shares will be eligible to be earned at the end of fiscal 2015 and 2016, based on, and subject to further adjustment as a result of, the achievement of the TSR ranking for our company as compared to the S&P 500. If any target shares become eligible (the “eligible shares”) to be earned in fiscal 2015 and 2016 as a result of achievement of the non-GAAP EPS metric for fiscal 2014, then 50% to 150% of one-half of the eligible shares may be earned based on the achievement of the TSR goal for the two years ended April 3, 2015 and 50% to 150% of one-half of the eligible shares (plus any eligible shares not earned on April 3, 2015 if less than 100% of the TSR goal is achieved

for the two-year period then ended) may be earned based on the achievement of the TSR goal for the three years ended April 1, 2016. Subject to certain exceptions (including acceleration of vesting upon a change in control of our company under the terms of the Symantec Executive Retention Plan, as amended), the award shall vest, if at all, only at the end of the third year of the performance period (i.e., fiscal 2016), and the named executive officer must be employed by us at the end of such period in order to vest in the award. The following table summarizes the foregoing discussion of threshold, target and maximum performance levels and payouts at each level:

	EPS Performance as a Percentage of Target (%)	EPS Payout as a Percentage of Target (%)	TSR Percentile Rank against S&P500	TSR Payout as a Percentage of Target (%)
Threshold Level Payout %	70%	50%	35th	50%
Target Level Payout %	100%	100%	50th	100%
Maximum Payout %	120%	133%	75th	150%

For fiscal 2014, our non-GAAP EPS target under the PRUs was \$1.89 per share. The Compensation Committee determined that we achieved 99% of this metric, resulting in 98% of the target shares becoming eligible to be earned based on achievement of the multi-year relative TSR performance goals under the PRUs. Pursuant to the terms of these awards, each NEO will be eligible to receive at least half of the eligible shares if he remains employed by Symantec through the last day of fiscal 2016 even if we fail to achieve those TSR performance goals, and could receive up to 150% of such shares, depending upon the degree to which we achieve of those goals and the same employment condition is met.

Below is the summary of our PRU performance metrics achievements since fiscal 2012. The PRU awards granted in fiscal 2012 finished the 3-year performance period at the end of fiscal 2014 resulting in an overall payout of 89% of the target award level.

Grant Year	Non-GAAP EPS		2-Year TSR		3-Year TSR		
	Performance as % of Target	Eligible Shares as % of Target Shares	S&P 500 Percentile Ranking	Payout as % of Targets	S&P 500 Percentile Ranking	Payout as % of Targets	Overall Payout
Fiscal 2012 Award	99%	97%	67th	134%	19th	50%	89%
Fiscal 2013 Award	108%	112%	17th	50%	TBD		
Fiscal 2014 Award	99%	98%	TBD				

Performance-Contingent Stock Units (PCsUs) Beginning in fiscal 2013, the independent members of the Board approved PCsUs, a new component in our former CEO's compensation that directly tied to increasing our stock price, which rewards our former CEO for providing direct value to our stockholders. For fiscal 2014, Mr. Bennett's long-term equity compensation consisted exclusively of 782,414 PCsUs granted under the 2004 Plan, as compared to 115,000 PRUs, 115,000 RSUs and 450,000 PCsUs granted to Mr. Bennett during fiscal 2013. These grants were within the applicable annual limits on the size of awards under the 2004 Plan of 6,000,000 shares (1,200,000 RSUs) for new employees and 4,000,000 shares (800,000 RSUs) for existing employees, in each case after giving effect to the 2-for-1 stock split that went into effect in November 2004.

The PCsUs granted to Mr. Bennett in fiscal 2014 were designed to vest and settle, if at all, as follows: (i) one-third of the PCsUs shall vest following the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014 if the highest average closing stock price for any 60 consecutive trading days during such year (the "Average Closing Price") exceeds \$26.79; (ii) one-third of the PCsUs (plus any PCsUs that did not vest during the period described under (i) above) shall vest following the fiscal year ended April 3, 2015 if the Average Closing Price during the two fiscal years then ended exceeds \$30.01; (iii) one-third of the PCsUs (plus any PCsUs that did not vest during the period described under (ii) above) shall vest following the fiscal year ended April 1, 2016 if the Average Closing Price during the three fiscal years then ended exceeds \$33.61; and (iv) any shares that did not vest during the period described in (iii) above shall vest following the fiscal year ended March 31, 2017 if the Average Closing Price for the 60 consecutive trading days ending on the final trading day of such fiscal year exceeds \$37.64 (with proportional vesting possible following such fiscal year to the extent that the Average Closing Price for such 60 trading day period exceeds \$31.57). In general, except as set forth below, vesting of the PCsUs would have ceased in the event that Mr. Bennett was no longer providing active service to the Company or a subsidiary or

affiliate thereof. However, the awards provided that Mr. Bennett was entitled to certain vesting benefits upon the involuntary termination of his employment without cause, upon his voluntary termination of employment with good reason, or upon a change in control of our company.

The stock price performance goals were established based on a TSR compound annual growth rate of 12%:

<u>Performance Cycle</u>	<u>TSR</u>	<u>Goal</u>
FY14	10%	\$26.79
FY15	12%	\$30.01
FY16	12%	\$33.61
FY17 (catch up period)	12%	\$37.64

In fiscal 2014, the Average Closing Price goal was not achieved so no PCSU awards were payable. However, all of the PCSUs were released to Mr. Bennett as a result of his involuntary termination on March 19, 2014.

The following table summarizes the number of shares granted in fiscal 2014, value of each award and the total value of the equity awards for each named executive officer as of the Grant Date (all values of restricted stock unit awards are based upon the closing price for a share of our common stock of \$24.15 on May 20, 2013, except for one RSU grant to Mr. Taylor made on February 10, 2014 with a closing price of \$20.89 per share).

	<u>Target PRUs (#)</u>	<u>PRU Value at Grant Date (\$)</u>	<u>RSUs (#)</u>	<u>RSU Value at Grant Date (\$)</u>	<u>PCSU (#)</u>	<u>PCSU Value at Grant Date (\$)</u>	<u>Total Target Equity Incentive Awards Value at Grant Date(\$)</u>
Michael A. Brown	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	—	—	—
Thomas J. Seifert	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	—	—	—
Stephen E. Gillett	73,624	1,916,138	49,083	1,185,354	—	—	3,101,493
Scott C. Taylor	24,541	638,704	67,866	1,497,724	—	—	2,136,428
<u>Former Officers</u>							
Stephen M. Bennett	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	782,414	8,272,725	8,272,725
James A. Beer	66,262	1,724,535	44,174	1,066,802	—	—	2,791,337
Francis A. deSouza	83,441	2,171,635	55,627	1,343,392	—	—	3,515,028
Andrew H. Del Matto	10,226	266,142	10,226	246,958	—	—	513,100
Donald J. Rath	4,499	117,091	6,749	162,988	—	—	280,079

(1) Messrs. Brown and Seifert did not receive a PRU or RSU grant due to their March 2014 start dates.

(2) The only equity grant Mr. Bennett received in fiscal 2014 was a PCSU grant.

Burn Rate and Dilution: We closely manage how we use our equity to compensate employees. We think of “gross burn rate” as the total number of shares granted under all of our equity incentive plans during a period divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during that period and expressed as a percentage. We think of “net burn rate” as the total number of shares granted under all of our equity incentive plans during a period, minus the total number of shares returned to such plans through awards cancelled during that period, divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during that period, and expressed as a percentage. “Overhang” we think of as the total number of shares underlying options and awards outstanding plus shares available for issuance under all of our equity incentive plans at the end of a period divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during that period and expressed as a percentage. The Compensation Committee determines the percentage of equity to be made available for our equity programs with reference to the companies in our market composite. In addition, the Compensation Committee considers the accounting costs that will be reflected in our financial statements when establishing the forms of equity to be granted and the size of the overall pool available. For fiscal 2014, our gross burn rate was 1.72%, our net burn rate was 0.76%, and our overhang was 16.47%.

Equity Grant Practices: The Compensation Committee generally approves grants to the named executive officers at its first meeting of each fiscal year, or shortly thereafter through subsequent action. The grant date for

all equity grants made to employees, including the named executive officers, is generally the 10th day of the month following the applicable meeting. If the 10th day is not a business day, the grant is generally made on the previous business day. The Compensation Committee does not coordinate the timing of equity awards with the release of material, nonpublic information. RSUs may be granted from time to time throughout the year, but all RSUs generally vest on either March 1, June 1, September 1 or December 1 for administrative reasons. PRUs are currently granted once a year and, subject to certain exception, vesting occurs only after a three-year performance period.

Change of Control and Severance Arrangements: The vesting of certain stock options, RSUs, PRUs and PCSUs held by our named executive officers will accelerate if they experience an involuntary (including constructive) termination of employment under certain circumstances. For additional information about these arrangements, see “— Other Benefits — Change of Control and Severance Arrangements” below and “Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control,” below.

Other Awards

Certain business conditions may warrant using additional compensation approaches to attract, retain or motivate executives. Such conditions include acquisitions and divestitures, attracting or retaining specific or unique talent, and recognition for exceptional contributions. In these situations, the Compensation Committee considers the business needs and the potential costs and benefits of special rewards. For example, in fiscal 2014, the Compensation Committee determined that it should offer special incentives to attract Mr. Seifert because it believed that we would need to offer him compensation that would neutralize the cash impact of his departure from his then-current employer. In this regard, the Compensation Committee awarded Mr. Seifert a one-time sign-on bonus of \$1,800,000 as an inducement to accept our offer of employment. The sign-on bonus is subject to full or partial repayment by Mr. Seifert if he voluntarily leaves our company or is terminated for cause within three years of his start date as set forth in detail in his employment offer letter and as further described in the Summary Compensation Table on page 49. In addition, the Compensation Committee awarded Mr. Rath a one-time \$50,000 cash bonus in recognition of his additional responsibilities as Interim Chief Financial Officer.

Other Benefits

All named executive officers are eligible to participate in our 401(k) plan (which includes our matching contributions), health and dental coverage, life insurance, disability insurance, paid time off, and paid holidays on the same terms as are available to all employees generally. These rewards are designed to be competitive with overall market practices, and are in place to attract and retain the talent needed in the business. In addition, named executive officers are eligible to participate in the deferred compensation plan, and to receive other benefits described below.

Deferred Compensation: Symantec’s named executive officers are eligible to participate in a nonqualified deferred compensation plan that provides management employees on our U.S. payroll with a base salary of \$150,000 or greater (including our named executive officers) the opportunity to defer up to 75% of base salary and 100% of cash bonuses for payment at a future date. This plan is provided to be competitive in the executive talent market, and to provide executives with a tax-efficient alternative for receiving earnings. One of our named executive officers participated in this plan during fiscal 2014. The plan is described further under “Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation in Fiscal 2014,” on page 58.

Additional Benefits: Symantec’s named executive officers typically do not receive perquisites, except in limited circumstances when deemed appropriate by the Compensation Committee. For example, an additional benefit available to named executive officers is reimbursement for up to \$10,000 for financial planning services. In addition, Mr. Seifert also received reasonable reimbursement for certain relocation expenses associated with his move to the San Francisco Bay Area. The Compensation Committee provides certain perquisites because it believes they are for business-related purposes or are prevalent in the marketplace for executive talent. The value of the perquisites we provide is taxable to the named executive officers and the incremental cost to us for providing these perquisites is reflected in the Summary Compensation Table. (These benefits are disclosed in the All Other Compensation column of the Summary Compensation Table on page 49).

Change of Control and Severance Arrangements: Our Executive Retention Plan provides (and, in the case of PRUs and PCSUs, the terms of the PRUs and PCSUs, respectively provide) participants with double trigger acceleration of equity awards and, if applicable, become immediately exercisable, where equity vesting and exercisability is only accelerated in the event the individual's employment is terminated without cause, or is constructively terminated, within 12 months after a change in control of our company (as defined in the plan). In the case of PRUs, PRUs will vest at target if the change in control occurs prior to the first performance period, will vest as to eligible shares if the change in control occurs following the first performance period but before achievement is determined with respect to the second performance period, and will vest as to the sum of the eligible shares determined to be earned for the second performance period plus 50% of the eligible shares if the change in control occurs following the second performance period but before achievement is determined with respect to the third performance period.

We believe that the double trigger acceleration provision appropriately achieves the intent of the applicable plan without providing an undue benefit to executives who continue to be employed following a change in control transaction. The intent of the plan is to enable named executive officers to have a balanced perspective in making overall business decisions in the context of a potential acquisition of our company, as well as to be competitive with market practices. The Compensation Committee believes that change in control benefits, if structured appropriately, serve to minimize the distraction caused by a potential transaction and reduce the risk that key talent would leave our company before a transaction closes.

Following the end of fiscal 2012, the Compensation Committee conducted an ordinary course review of the change in control and severance arrangements applicable to our executive officers. Taking into account consolidation within our industry and the practices prevalent within our peer group, the Compensation Committee modified these arrangements in order to improve retention of our senior executives whose roles would likely be eliminated in connection with a change in control of our company. Specifically, our Executive Retention Plan was amended to provide for the payment of a cash severance benefit for the named executive officers equal to one times such officer's base salary and target payout under the Executive Annual Incentive Plan applicable to such named executive officer under the same circumstances equity awards would accelerate under the Executive Retention Plan. In addition, the Compensation Committee adopted the Symantec Corporation Executive Severance Plan, which provides certain severance benefits to our executive offers, including the named executive officers, in the event that such executive officers are involuntarily terminated other than for cause (as defined in the plan). Under the terms of this plan, eligible executive officers are entitled to receive a severance payment equal to one year of base salary. Payment of the foregoing benefit is subject to the applicable officer returning a release of claims. The Compensation Committee determined to modify these arrangements for the same reason it adopted our Executive Retention Plan.

In connection with his appointment to President and CEO in fiscal 2013, we entered into an employment agreement with Stephen Bennett that provided him with certain benefits upon the involuntary termination of his employment under certain circumstances, including acceleration of vesting and severance payments in connection with a change of control. As stated above, our former CEO was terminated effective March 19, 2014. In accordance with his employment agreement, he received a cash severance payment equal to 1.5 times his annual base salary and target bonus, was granted acceleration of RSUs and reimbursement of COBRA premiums for eighteen months. He also received acceleration of PCSUs and PRUs in accordance with the terms in his PCSU agreement and PRU agreement, respectively. The value of these benefits is reflected in the Summary Compensation Table. (These benefits are disclosed in the All Other Compensation column of the Summary Compensation Table on page 49).

The change in control and severance benefits described above do not influence and are not influenced by the other elements of compensation as these benefits serve different objectives than the other elements. We do not provide for gross-ups of excise tax values under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code. Rather, we allow the named executive officer to reduce the benefit received or waive the accelerated vesting of options to avoid excess payment penalties.

Details of each individual named executive officer's benefits, including estimates of amounts payable in specified circumstances in effect as of the end of fiscal 2014, are disclosed under "Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control" below.

SUPPLEMENTARY POLICIES AND CONSIDERATIONS

We use several additional policies to ensure that the overall compensation structure is responsive to stockholder interests and competitive with the market. Specific policies include:

Stock Ownership Requirements

We believe that in order to align the interests of our executive officers with those of our stockholders, our executive officers should have a financial stake in our company. We have maintained stock ownership requirements for our executive officers since October 2005. In July 2013, to further enhance the alignment between our executive officers' and stockholders' interests, the Compensation Committee further modified the stock ownership requirements to increase the minimum levels our Chief Operating Officer and President, Products and Services. For fiscal 2014 our executive officers were required to hold the following minimum number of shares:

- CEO: 5x base salary
- CFO, COO and President, Products and Services: 3x base salary
- Executive Vice Presidents: 2x base salary

Stock options and unvested RSUs, PRUs and PCSUs do not count toward stock ownership requirements.

The executive officer is required to acquire and thereafter maintain the stock ownership required within four years of becoming an executive officer of Symantec (or four years following the adoption date of these revised guidelines). During the four-year transitional period, each executive officer must retain at least 50% of all net (after-tax) equity grants until the required stock ownership level has been met.

As of March 28, 2014, Mr. Taylor reached the stated ownership requirements for fiscal 2014. Mr. Seifert has until March 2018 and Mr. Gillett has until July 2017 to meet the stated thresholds. See the table below for individual ownership levels relative to the executive's ownership requirement.

<u>Named Executive Officer</u>	<u>Ownership Requirement(1) (# of shares)</u>	<u>Holdings as of March 28, 2014</u>
Michael A. Brown	303,183	116,153
Thomas J. Seifert	109,146	—
Stephen E. Gillett	132,642	27,028
Scott C. Taylor	42,445	43,729

(1) Based on the closing price for a share of our common stock of \$19.79 on March 28, 2014

Recoupment Policies (Clawbacks)

Since fiscal 2009, we have included provisions within our executive annual incentive plans to the effect that we will seek reimbursement of excess incentive cash compensation if our financial statements are the subject of a restatement due to error or misconduct.

Insider Trading, Hedging and Pledging Policies

Our Insider Trading Policy prohibits all directors and employees from short-selling Symantec stock or engaging in transactions involving Symantec-based derivative securities, including, but not limited to, trading in Symantec-based option contracts (for example, buying and/or writing puts and calls). It also prohibits pledging Symantec stock as collateral for a loan.

In addition, our Insider Trading Policy prohibits our directors, officers, employees and contractors from purchasing or selling Symantec securities while in possession of material, non-public information. It also requires that each of our directors, our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer, and President, Products and Services conduct open market sales of our securities only through use of stock trading plans adopted pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 of the Exchange Act. Rule 10b5-1 allows insiders to sell and diversify their holdings in our stock over a designated period by adopting pre-arranged stock trading plans at a time when

they are not aware of material nonpublic information about us, and thereafter sell shares of our common stock in accordance with the terms of their stock trading plans without regard to whether or not they are in possession of material nonpublic information about the Company at the time of the sale. All other executives are strongly encouraged to trade using 10b5-1 plans.

Tax and Accounting Considerations on Compensation

The financial reporting and income tax consequences to the Company of individual compensation elements are important considerations for the Compensation Committee when it reviews compensation practices and makes compensation decisions. While structuring compensation programs that result in more favorable tax and financial reporting treatment is a general principle, the Compensation Committee balances these goals with other business needs that may be inconsistent with obtaining the most favorable tax and accounting treatment for each component of its compensation.

Deductibility by Symantec. Under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, we may not receive a federal income tax deduction for compensation that is not performance-based (as defined in the Section 162(m) rules) paid to the Chief Executive Officer and the next three most highly compensated executive officers (other than our Chief Financial Officer) to the extent that any of these persons receives more than \$1,000,000 in nonperformance-based compensation in any one year. However, we strive to maximize the tax deductibility of our compensation awards since our philosophy is to provide the largest proportion of compensation as performance-based. While the Compensation Committee considers the deductibility of awards as one factor in determining our executive compensation, it also looks at other factors in making its executive compensation decisions and retains the flexibility to grant awards or pay compensation the Compensation Committee determines to be consistent with its goals for Symantec's executive compensation program even if the awards are not deductible by Symantec for tax purposes.

Tax Implications for Officers. Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code imposes additional income taxes on executive officers for certain types of deferred compensation that do not comply with Section 409A. The Company attempts in good faith to structure compensation so that it either conforms with the requirements of or qualifies for an exception under Code Section 409A. Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code imposes an excise tax on payments to executives of severance or change of control compensation that exceed the levels specified in the Section 280G rules. Our named executive officers could receive the amounts shown in the section entitled "Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control" (beginning on page 58 below) as severance or change of control payments that could implicate this excise tax. As mentioned above, we do not offer our officers as part of their change of control benefits any gross-ups related to this excise tax under Code Section 4999.

Accounting Considerations. The Compensation Committee also considers the accounting and cash flow implications of various forms of executive compensation. In its financial statements, the Company records salaries and performance-based compensation incentives as expenses in the amount paid, or to be paid, to the named executive officers. Accounting rules also require the Company to record an expense in its financial statements for equity awards, even though equity awards are not paid as cash to employees. The accounting expense of equity awards to employees is calculated in accordance with the requirements of FASB Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718. The Compensation Committee believes, however, that the many advantages of equity compensation, as discussed above, more than compensate for the non-cash accounting expense associated with them.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

The members of the Compensation Committee during fiscal 2014 were Geraldine B. Laybourne, David L. Mahoney and Daniel H. Schulman for the entire fiscal year, Michael A. Brown through March 19, 2014, and Robert S. Miller since March 20, 2014. None of the members of the Compensation Committee in fiscal 2014 were at any time during fiscal 2014 or at any other time an officer or employee of Symantec or any of its subsidiaries, except for Mr. Brown, who served as our interim President and Chief Executive Officer following his resignation from the Compensation Committee in March 2014, and none had or have any relationships with Symantec that are required to be disclosed under Item 404 of Regulation S-K. None of Symantec's executive

officers has served as a member of the board of directors, or as a member of the compensation or similar committee, of any entity that has one or more executive officers who served on our Board of Directors or Compensation Committee during fiscal 2014.

Compensation Committee Report

The information contained in the following report of Symantec's Compensation Committee is not considered to be "soliciting material," "filed" or incorporated by reference in any past or future filing by Symantec under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Securities Act of 1933 unless and only to the extent that Symantec specifically incorporates it by reference.

The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed with management the Compensation Discussion and Analysis ("CD&A") contained in proxy statement. Based on this review and discussion, the Compensation Committee has recommended to the Board that the CD&A be included in this proxy statement and incorporated into our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014.

By: The Compensation and Leadership Development Committee of the Board of Directors:

Geraldine B. Laybourne
Robert S. Miller (Chair)
David L. Mahoney
Daniel H. Schulman

Summary of Compensation

The following table shows for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014, compensation awarded to or paid to, or earned by, each individual who served as our Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer during fiscal 2014, the three most highly compensated executive officers who were serving as executive officers (other than as our Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer) at the end of fiscal 2014 and a former executive officer who would have been among our most highly compensated executive officers had he remained an executive officer through the end of the fiscal year (the “named executive officers”).

Summary Compensation Table for Fiscal 2014

<u>Name and Principal Position</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Salary (\$)</u>	<u>Bonus (\$)</u>	<u>Stock Awards (\$)(1)</u>	<u>Option Awards (\$)</u>	<u>Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)</u>	<u>All Other Compensation (\$)</u>	<u>Total (\$)</u>
Michael A. Brown Interim President and Chief Executive Officer	2014	36,364(2)	—	—	—	—	340,000(3)	376,364
Thomas J. Seifert Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer	2014	30,000(4)	1,800,000(5)	—	—	—	14,702(6)	1,844,702
Stephen E. Gillett Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer	2014	875,000	—	3,101,493(7)	—	—	318,679(8)	4,295,172
	2013	241,951(9)	3,865,000(10)	1,021,506	—	321,858(11)	270,000(12)	5,720,315
Scott C. Taylor Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary	2014	420,000	—	2,136,428(7)	—	—	28,443(13)	2,584,871
	2013	420,000	—	883,575(7)	—	289,380(11)	14,599(14)	1,607,554
Former Officers								
Stephen M. Bennett Former President and Chief Executive Officer	2014	1,004,312(15)	—	8,272,725(16)	—	—	3,822,742(17)	13,099,779
	2013	684,028(18)	—	10,746,800(7)(19)	—	1,173,760(11)	392,000(20)	12,996,588
James A. Beer Former Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer	2014	365,909(21)	—	2,791,337(7)	—	—	42,428(22)	3,199,674
	2013	700,000	—	1,285,200(7)	—	710,500(11)	20,372(23)	2,716,072
	2012	700,000	—	2,629,000	—	1,111,250(24)	99,556(25)	4,539,806
Francis A. deSouza President, Products & Services	2014	480,353(26)	—	3,515,028(7)	—	—	3,229(27)	3,998,610
	2013	486,301(28)	—	1,606,500(7)	—	521,104(11)	10,740(29)	2,624,645
	2012	435,000	—	3,509,200	—	794,250(30)	62,822(31)	4,801,272
Andrew H. Del Matto Former Acting Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer	2014	260,785(32)	—	513,100(7)	—	—	7,670(33)	781,555
Donald J. Rath Former Interim Chief Financial Officer, Interim Chief Accounting Officer, Vice President, Tax	2014	321,625(34)	50,000(35)	280,079(7)	—	—	6,137(36)	657,841

- (1) Amounts shown in this column reflect the aggregate full grant date fair calculated in accordance with FASB Accounting Standards Codification (“FASC”) Topic 718 for RSUs and PRUs in fiscal years 2012, 2013 and 2014, and solely in the case of Mr. Bennett in fiscal years 2013 and 2014, PCSUs, each awarded under the 2004 Plan and 2013 Plan. Messrs. Brown and Seifert were not awarded equity in fiscal 2014 due to their March 2014 start dates. The grant date fair values for RSUs were determined based on the closing share price of our common stock on the date of grant. For a discussion of the valuation methodology used to value the PRUs awarded during the fiscal years 2012, 2013 and 2014 and PCSUs awarded during fiscal years 2013 and 2014, see footnotes 7, 16 and 19, respectively, to the Summary Compensation Table below.
- (2) Mr. Brown received a prorated salary of \$36,364 based on his period of employment as our interim President and Chief Executive Officer in fiscal 2014.

- (3) Represents the following non-employee director compensation paid to Mr. Brown prior to his becoming our interim President and Chief Executive Officer in March 2014:

<u>Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)*</u>	<u>Stock Awards (\$)†**</u>	<u>Total (\$)</u>
105,023††	234,978††	340,000

- * Mr. Brown received the following annual fees: (i) \$50,000 annual retainer fee; (ii) \$15,000 for serving on the Compensation Committee; (ii) \$15,000 for serving on the Nominating and Governance Committee; and (iii) \$25,000 for chairing the Compensation Committee.
- † Amounts shown in this column reflect the aggregate full grant date fair value calculated in accordance with FASC Topic 718 for awards granted during the fiscal year.
- ** Mr. Bennett was granted 9,650 RSUs on May 10, 2013, with a per share fair value of \$24.35 and a full grant date fair value of \$234,978.
- †† Includes cash payout of \$22.50 for fractional share from non-employee director stock award grant.
- (4) Mr. Seifert received a prorated salary of \$30,000 based on his period of employment as our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in fiscal 2014. His annual base salary is \$720,000.
- (5) Represents a one-time sign-on bonus, which Mr. Seifert is obligated to repay all or a portion of the sign-on bonus if he voluntarily leaves the Company or is terminated for cause prior to March 17, 2017.
- (6) Represents relocation expenses incurred in fiscal 2014.
- (7) The PRUs awarded in fiscal years 2012-2014 are based on a three-year performance period. The PRUs are eligible to be earned if we achieve at least 70% of the target level non-GAAP EPS performance for fiscal years 2012-2014. Depending on our achievement of this metric, 0% to 133% of the target shares will be eligible to be earned at the end of the fiscal year of grant, based on, and subject to further adjustment as a result of, the achievement of the TSR ranking for our company as compared to the S&P 500 (the market-related component) in the subsequent fiscal years. If any target shares become eligible to be earned at the end of the fiscal year of grant as a result of achievement of the performance-related component, then 50% to 150% of one-half of the eligible shares may be earned based on the achievement of the TSR goal for the first and second fiscal years and 50% to 150% of one-half of the eligible shares (plus any eligible shares not earned at the end of the second fiscal year if less than 100% of the TSR goal is achieved for the two-year period then ended) may be earned based on the achievement of the TSR goal for the first, second and third fiscal years. Because the performance-related component is based on separate measurements of our financial performance only in the first year of the three-year performance period, FASC Topic 718 requires the grant date fair value to be calculated at the commencement of the performance period. Consistent with FASC Topic 718, the full grant date fair value for the market-related component, or the TSR adjustment, for the entire three-year performance cycle is included in the amounts shown for the year of grant and was determined using a Monte Carlo simulation option pricing model (“Monte Carlo model”) on the date the PRUs were awarded in fiscal years 2012-2014.

The table below sets forth the grant date fair value determined in accordance with FASC Topic 718 principles established in fiscal years 2012-2014 for the performance-related component of these awards (i) based upon the probable outcome of the fiscal years 2012-2014 performance-related component as of the grant date, and (ii) based upon achieving the maximum level of performance under the fiscal years 2012-2014 performance-related component as of the grant date. Also set forth below are the grant date fair values pertaining to the market-related component or the TSR adjustment and significant inputs and assumptions used in the Monte Carlo model, determined upon grant in fiscal years 2012-2014, and which is not subject to probable or maximum outcome assumptions.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Probable Outcome of Performance Conditions Grant Date Fair Value (\$)</u>	<u>Maximum Outcome of Performance Conditions Grant Date Fair Value (\$)</u>	<u>Market-Related Component Grant Date Fair Value (\$)</u>
Michael A. Brown	2014	—	—	—
Thomas J. Seifert	2014	—	—	—
Stephen E. Gillett	2014	1,820,331	2,548,464	1,916,138
	2013	—	—	—
Scott C. Taylor	2014	606,769	849,476	638,704
	2013	538,670	607,145	456,500
Stephen M. Bennett	2014	—	—	—
	2013	2,410,400	3,205,832	2,410,400
James A. Beer	2014	1,638,308	2,293,631	1,724,535
	2013	783,520	883,120	664,000
	2012	964,000	1,282,120	964,000
Francis A. deSouza	2014	2,063,054	2,888,275	2,171,635
	2013	979,400	1,103,900	830,000
	2012	919,200	1,222,536	919,200
Andrew H. Del Matto	2014	252,835	353,969	266,142
Donald J. Rath	2014	111,236	155,731	117,091

<u>Grant Date</u>	<u>Grant Date Fair Value (\$)</u>	<u>Volatility (%)</u>	<u>Risk-Free Interest Rate (%)</u>
5/9/2011	24.10	48.67	0.90
6/10/2011	22.98	48.33	0.65
5/10/2012	16.60	32.21	0.36
9/10/2012	20.96	31.17	0.38
5/20/2013	26.03	28.80	0.38

- (8) Represents (a) \$5,764 for dividend equivalent payment on stock awards, (b) \$46,272 for coverage of expenses related to attendance at the FY13 sales achiever's trip, and (c) \$266,643 for relocation expenses.
- (9) Mr. Gillett's received a prorated salary of \$241,951 based on his period of employment as our Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer in fiscal 2013. His annual base salary is \$875,000.
- (10) Represents two one-time sign-on bonuses designed to partially offset Mr. Gillett's forfeiture of various bonuses, including \$2,552,000 of previously-paid bonuses that he was obligated to repay in full, as a result of his departure from his former employer. Mr. Gillett is obligated to repay all or a portion of these sign-on bonuses if he voluntarily leaves the Company or is terminated for cause prior to December 21, 2017.
- (11) Represents the executive officer's annual bonus under the Executive Annual Incentive Plan for fiscal 2013, which was earned in fiscal 2013 and paid in fiscal 2014.

- (12) Represents the following non-employee director compensation paid to Mr. Gillett prior to his becoming our Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer in December 2012:

Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)*	Stock Awards (\$)+**	Total (\$)
20,013††	249,987††	270,000

- * Mr. Gillett received an annual fee of \$20,000 for serving on the Audit Committee.
- † Amounts shown in this column reflect the aggregate full grant date fair value calculated in accordance with FASC Topic 718 for awards granted during the fiscal year.
- ** Mr. Gillett was granted 12,547 RSUs on May 7, 2012, with a per share fair value of \$15.94 and a full grant date fair value of \$199,999.
- †† In lieu of cash, Mr. Gillett received 100% of his annual retainer fee of \$50,000 in the form of our common stock. Accordingly, pursuant to the terms of the 2000 Director Equity Incentive Plan, he was granted 3,136 shares at a per share fair value of \$15.94 and a full grant date fair value of \$49,988. The balance of his fee, \$13.00, was paid in cash as reported in the “Fees Earned or Paid in Cash” column in the table above.
- (13) Represents (a) \$7,350 for dividend equivalent payment on stock awards, (b) \$1,121 for membership fees, (c) \$13,971 for reimbursement for tax services, and (d) \$6,000 for the Company’s contributions to Mr. Taylor’s account under its 401(k) plan.
- (14) Represents (a) \$959 for coverage of expenses related to attendance at the FY12 Board retreat, (b) \$1,111 for membership fees, (c) \$6,529 for reimbursement for tax services, and (d) \$6,000 for the Company’s contributions to Mr. Taylor’s account under its 401(k) plan.
- (15) Represents salary paid through the effective date of Mr. Bennett’s termination on March 19, 2014.
- (16) The PCSUs awarded to our former CEO in fiscal year 2014 were based on the achievement of specified performance metrics. The PCSUs were also subject to an underlying continued service vesting condition. The performance metrics for the PCSUs awarded in the fiscal year 2014 were based on the average 60-day trailing closing price of Symantec’s common stock (the “Average Closing Price”) in fiscal 2014, the two-year period consisting of fiscal 2014 and 2015 and the three-year period consisting of fiscal 2014, 2015 and 2016. Upon achievement and ratification by our board of directors, one-third of the shares underlying these awards were to be vested and released in the fiscal year following the applicable period if the Average Closing Price exceeded \$26.79, \$30.01, and \$33.61 for the one-, two- or three-year periods, respectively. The price thresholds were not achieved during fiscal 2014; however, all of the PCSUs were released to Mr. Bennett as a result of his involuntary termination on March 19, 2014. The weighted-average grant date fair value per share of PCSUs granted was determined to be to be \$10.57 per share, using a Monte Carlo model.
- (17) Represents (a) \$8,625 for dividend equivalent payment on stock awards, (b) \$26,008 for coverage of expenses related to attendance at the FY13 sales achiever’s trip, (c) \$10,000 for reimbursement for tax services, (d) \$5,208 for the Company’s contributions to Mr. Bennett’s account under its 401(k) plan; and (e) \$3,772,901 in cash severance pay pursuant to Mr. Bennett’s Employment Agreement. For more information regarding Mr. Bennett’s cash severance pay, see “Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control” below.
- (18) Mr. Bennett received a prorated salary of \$684,028 based on his period of employment as our President and Chief Executive Officer in fiscal 2013.
- (19) The PCSUs awarded to our CEO in fiscal year 2013 were based on the achievement of specified performance metrics. The PCSUs were also subject to an underlying continued service vesting condition. The performance metrics for the PCSUs awarded in the fiscal year 2013 were based on the Average Closing Price over a three-year period beginning with the second quarter of fiscal 2013. Upon achievement and ratification by our board of directors, these awards were to be vested and released for the fiscal quarter when the Average Closing Price first exceeds \$18.00, \$20.00, and \$22.00, respectively. The price thresholds were

achieved during fiscal 2013. The first 150,000 PCSUs were released to Mr. Bennett during fiscal 2013, and the remaining 300,000 shares were released in the first quarter of fiscal 2014. The weighted-average grant date fair value per share of PCSUs granted was determined to be \$13.69 per share, using a Monte Carlo model.

- (20) Represents \$12,000 in Company’s contributions to Mr. Bennett’s account under its 401(k) plan and the following non-employee director compensation paid to Mr. Bennett prior to his becoming our President and Chief Executive Officer in July 2012:

<u>Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)*</u>	<u>Stock Awards (\$)†**</u>	<u>Total (\$)</u>
130,013††	249,987††	380,000

* Mr. Bennett received the following annual fees: (i) \$15,000 for serving on the Compensation Committee; (ii) \$15,000 for serving on the Nominating and Governance Committee; and (iii) \$100,000 for his role as Chairman of the Board.

† Amounts shown in this column reflect the aggregate full grant date fair value calculated in accordance with FASC Topic 718 for awards granted during the fiscal year.

** Mr. Bennett was granted 12,547 RSUs on May 7, 2012, with a per share fair value of \$15.94 and a full grant date fair value of \$199,999.

†† In lieu of cash, Mr. Bennett received 100% of his annual retainer fee of \$50,000 in the form of our common stock. Accordingly, pursuant to the terms of the 2000 Director Equity Incentive Plan, he was granted 3,136 shares at a per share fair value of \$15.94 and a full grant date fair value of \$49,988. The balance of his fee, \$13.00, was paid in cash as reported in the “Fees Earned or Paid in Cash” column in the table above.

- (21) Represents salary paid through the effective date of Mr. Beer’s resignation effective October 8, 2013.
- (22) Represents (a) \$28,599 for coverage of expenses related to attendance at the FY13 sales achiever’s trip, (b) \$11,214 for membership fees, and (c) \$2,615 for reimbursement for tax services.
- (23) Represents (a) \$521 for coverage of expenses related to attendance at the FY12 Board retreat, (b) \$11,111 for membership fees, (c) \$2,740 for reimbursement for tax services, and (d) \$6,000 for the Company’s contributions to Mr. Beer’s account under its 401(k) plan.
- (24) Represents (a) \$665,000 for Mr. Beer’s annual bonus under the Executive Annual Incentive Plan for fiscal 2012, which was earned in fiscal 2012 and paid in fiscal 2013, and (b) \$446,250 accrued on Mr. Beer’s behalf for performance during fiscal 2012 under the FY12 LTIP. Mr. Beer did not receive the FY12 LTIP payout award since he was not employed by the Company through the last day of fiscal 2014.
- (25) Represents (a) \$80,105 for a one-time payout of accrued PTO balance earned under our paid-time off (PTO) policy, (b) \$11,111 for membership fees, (c) \$2,340 for reimbursement for tax services, and (d) \$6,000 for the Company’s contributions to Mr. Beer’s account under its 401(k) plan.
- (26) Represents salary paid through the effective date of Mr. deSouza’s resignation effective November 11, 2013.
- (27) Represents (a) \$844 for dividend equivalent payment and (b) \$2,385 for the Company’s contributions to Mr. deSouza’s account under its 401(k) plan.
- (28) Mr. deSouza’s base salary increased from \$435,000 to \$700,000 in January 2013 in connection with his appointment as our President, Products and Services as we transitioned to our new organizational structure. Accordingly, this amount reflects payments based on his original base salary of \$435,000 for the first nine months of fiscal 2013 and his adjusted salary for the remainder of fiscal 2013.
- (29) Represents (a) \$3,201 for reimbursement for tax services, and (b) \$7,539 for the Company’s contributions to Mr. deSouza’s account under its 401(k) plan.

- (30) Represents (a) \$348,000 for Mr. deSouza's annual bonus under the Executive Annual Incentive Plan for fiscal 2012, which was earned in fiscal 2012 and paid in fiscal 2013, and (b) \$446,250 for Mr. deSouza's performance during fiscal 2012 under the FY12 LTIP. Mr. deSouza did not receive the FY12 LTIP payout award since he was not employed by the Company through the last day of fiscal 2014.
- (31) Represents (a) \$53,538 for PTO payout, (b) \$2,521 for reimbursement for tax services, and (c) \$6,763 for the Company's contributions to Mr. deSouza's account under its 401(k) plan.
- (32) Represents salary paid through the effective date of Mr. Del Matto's resignation effective December 31, 2013.
- (33) Represents (a) \$544 for dividend equivalent payment and (b) \$7,126 for the Company's contributions to Mr. Del Matto's account under its 401(k) plan.
- (34) This amount includes a prorated increase in base salary as part of Mr. Rath's FY13 annual review process in his role as Vice President, Tax.
- (35) Represents a one-time cash bonus in recognition of Mr. Rath's additional responsibilities as interim Financial Officer.
- (36) Represents (a) \$6,097 for the Company's contributions to Mr. Rath's account under its 401(k) plan and (b) \$40 for an appreciation award.

The following table shows for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014, certain information regarding grants of plan-based awards to our named executive officers from our incentive plans:

Grants of Plan-Based Awards in Fiscal 2014

Name	Grant Date(1)	Estimated Future Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards(2)			Estimated Future Payouts Under Equity Incentive Plan Awards(4)			All Other Stock Awards: Number of Shares of Stock or Units(5)	All Other Option Awards: Number of Securities Underlying Options (#)	Exercise or Base Price of Option Awards (\$/Sh)	Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option Awards (\$)
		Threshold (\$)	Target (\$)	Maximum (\$)	Threshold (#)	Target (#)	Maximum (#)				
Michael A. Brown	—	(3)	(3)	(3)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Thomas J. Seifert	—	(3)	(3)	(3)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stephen E. Gillett	05/20/13	160,781	1,093,750	3,368,750	—	—	—	49,083	—	—	1,185,354
	05/20/13				36,812	73,624	146,879		—	—	1,916,138
Scott C. Taylor	05/20/13	40,131	273,000	840,840	—	—	—	67,866	—	—	592,665
	05/20/13				12,270	24,541	48,959		—	—	638,704
	02/10/14							43,325	—	—	905,059
Former Officers											
Stephen M. Bennett	05/20/13	630,000	1,500,000	3,300,000	—	—	—	782,414(6)	—	—	8,272,725
James A. Beer	05/20/13	102,900	700,000	2,156,000	—	—	—	44,174	—	—	1,066,802
	05/20/13				33,131	66,262	132,192		—	—	1,724,535
Francis A. deSouza	05/20/13	128,625	875,000	2,695,000	—	—	—	55,627	—	—	1,343,392
	05/20/13				41,720	83,441	166,464		—	—	2,171,635
Andrew H. Del Matto	05/20/13	31,027	211,066	650,084	—	—	—	10,226	—	—	246,958
	05/20/13				5,113	10,226	20,400		—	—	266,142
Donald J. Rath	05/20/13	18,906	128,612	396,124	—	—	—	6,749	—	—	162,988
	05/20/13				2,249	4,499	8,975		—	—	117,091

- (1) Represents grant date of stock awards.
- (2) Represents threshold, target and maximum payouts with respect to each applicable metric under the FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plan.
- (3) Messrs. Brown and Seifert did not participate in the FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plan.
- (4) The amounts shown in these rows reflect, in share amounts, the threshold, target, and maximum potential eligible shares to be earned (based on performance for the fiscal 2014 period) at the end of fiscal 2015 and 2016, based on, and subject to further adjustment as a result of, the achievement of the TSR ranking for our company as compared to the S&P 500, as further described in the CD&A section beginning on page 41. In May 2013 our named executive officers, except Messrs. Brown and Seifert were awarded a PRU under the 2004 Plan, eligible to be earned if we achieve at least 90% of the target level non-GAAP EPS performance for fiscal 2014, with a threshold award equal to 50% of the target eligible shares and a maximum award equal to 133% of the target eligible shares. For fiscal 2014, the Compensation Committee determined that we achieved 99% of our non-GAAP EPS target under the PRUs, resulting in 98% of the target eligible shares becoming eligible to be earned based on achievement of the TSR performance goals under the PRUs. Pursuant to the terms of these awards, each NEO who was granted PRUs in fiscal 2014 will be eligible to receive at least half of the eligible shares if he remains employed by us through the last day of fiscal 2016 even if we fail to achieve those TSR performance goals, and could receive up to 150% of such shares, depending upon the degree to which we achieve of those goals and the same employment condition is met. For additional detail on the grant date fair value of the PRUs, see footnote 7 to the Summary Compensation Table above.
- (5) This RSU grant was granted under the 2004 Plan and vests in four equal annual installments on each of the first through fourth anniversaries of the date of grant, and is settled in shares on the vesting date.
- (6) For additional detail on the grant date fair value of the PCSUs, see footnote 16 to the Summary Compensation Table above.

For a summary of the terms of the FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plan, see “Compensation Discussion & Analysis (CD&A) — Compensation Components — Executive Annual Incentive Plans” above. Details of acceleration of the equity awards described are disclosed under “Compensation Discussion & Analysis (CD&A) — Other Benefits — Change in Control and Severance Arrangements” above and “Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control” below.

The following table shows for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014, certain information regarding outstanding equity awards at fiscal year end for our named executive officers.

Outstanding Equity Awards At Fiscal Year-End 2014

Name	Grant Date	Option Awards				Stock Awards		Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights that Have Not Yet Vested (#)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Value of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights that Have Not Yet Vested (\$)*
		Number of Securities Underlying Exercised Options (#)	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (#)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (\$)*		
Michael A. Brown	9/19/2005	12,000	—	21.93	9/19/2015	—	—	—	—
Thomas J. Seifert	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stephen E. Gillett	1/10/2013	—	—	—	—	38,421(1)	760,352	—	—
	5/20/2013	—	—	—	—	49,083(2)	971,353	72,151(3)	1,427,868
Scott C. Taylor	5/9/2008	25,000	—	19.99	5/9/2015	—	—	—	—
	9/10/2008	21,000	—	20.50	9/10/2015	—	—	—	—
	5/11/2009	26,000	—	15.32	5/11/2016	—	—	—	—
	6/10/2010	67,500	4,500(4)	14.44	6/10/2017	—	—	—	—
	6/10/2011	—	—	—	—	6,250(5)	123,688	—	—
	5/10/2012	—	—	—	—	20,625(6)	408,169	15,400(7)	304,766
	5/20/2013	—	—	—	—	24,541(8)	485,666	24,050(3)	475,950
	2/10/2014	—	—	—	—	43,325(9)	857,402	—	—
Former Officers:									
Stephen M. Bennett	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
James A. Beer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Francis A. deSouza	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Andrew H. Del Matto	1/3/2005	10,000	—	25.76	1/3/2015	—	—	—	—
Donald J. Rath	9/10/2012	—	—	—	—	20,000(10)	395,800	—	—
	5/20/2013	—	—	—	—	6,749(11)	133,563	4,409(3)	87,254

* The market value of the equity awards that have not vested is calculated by multiplying the number of units that have not vested by the closing price of our common stock on March 28, 2014, which was \$19.79.

- (1) 12,807 shares to vest on 12/1/2014, 12,807 shares to vest on 12/1/2015, and 12,807 shares to vest on 12/1/2016.
- (2) 12,271 shares to vest on 6/1/2014, 12,271 shares to vest on 6/1/2015, 12,271 shares to vest on 6/1/2016, and 12,270 shares to vest on 6/1/2017.
- (3) Vests on 4/1/2016 based on, and subject to further adjustment as a result of, the achievement of the TSR ranking for our company as compared to the S&P 500. In accordance with the SEC rules, the number of shares and the payout value for the fiscal 2014 PRUs set forth above reflect the target potential payout which represents 98% of the target number of PRUs. Each PRU is subject to the Compensation Committee’s certification when approving the settlement thereof.

- (4) Unvested options vest in equal installments monthly on the 10th of each month ending on 6/10/2017.
- (5) 6,250 shares to vest on 3/1/2015.
- (6) 6,875 shares to vest on 6/1/2014, 6,875 shares to vest on 6/1/2015, and 6,875 shares to vest on 6/1/2016.
- (7) Vests on 4/3/2015 based on, and subject to further adjustment as a result of, the achievement of the TSR ranking for our company as compared to the S&P 500. In accordance with the SEC rules, the number of shares and the payout value for the fiscal 2013 PRUs set forth above reflect the threshold potential payout which represents 50% of the eligible shares of these PRUs. Each PRU is subject to the Compensation Committee's certification when approving the settlement thereof.
- (8) 6,136 shares to vest on 6/1/2014, 6,135 shares to vest on 6/1/2015, 6,135 shares to vest on 6/1/2016, and 6,135 shares to vest on 6/1/2017.
- (9) 10,832 shares to vest on 3/1/2015, 10,831 shares to vest on 3/1/2016, 10,831 shares to vest on 3/1/2017, and 10,831 shares to vest on 3/1/2018.
- (10) 10,000 shares to vest on 9/1/2014, 5,000 shares to vest on 9/1/2015, and 5,000 shares to vest on 9/1/2016.
- (11) 1,688 shares to vest on 6/1/2014, 1,687 shares to vest on 6/1/2015, 1,687 shares to vest on 6/1/2016, and 1,687 shares to vest on 6/1/2017.

The following table shows for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014, certain information regarding option exercises and stock vested during the last fiscal year with respect to our named executive officers:

Option Exercises and Stock Vested in Fiscal 2014

<u>Name</u>	<u>Option Awards</u>		<u>Stock Awards</u>	
	<u>Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)</u>	<u>Value Realized on Exercise (\$)</u>	<u>Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting (#)</u>	<u>Value Realized on Vesting (\$)</u>
Michael A. Brown	—	—	9,650	234,978
Thomas J. Seifert	—	—	—	—
Stephen E. Gillett	—	—	12,808	288,052
Scott C. Taylor	46,000	528,080	47,435	1,001,171
<u>Former Officers</u>				
Stephen M. Bennett	—	—	1,243,797	28,637,942(1)
James A. Beer	439,250	2,532,543	34,250	766,858
Francis A. deSouza	181,062	1,141,610	44,875	1,004,939
Andrew H. Del Matto	53,375	355,737	11,395	260,969
Donald J. Rath	—	—	—	—

- (1) \$17,557,370 is attributable to the acceleration of PCSUs in accordance with Mr. Bennett's PCSU agreement, \$1,685,985 is attributable to the acceleration of PRUs in accordance with his PRU agreement and \$1,290,300 is attributable to the acceleration of RSUs in accordance with his employment agreement.

Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation in Fiscal 2014

The table below provides information on the non-qualified deferred compensation of the named executive officers for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014.

Name	Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation				Aggregate Balance at Last Fiscal Year-End (\$)
	Executive Contributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Registrant Contributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Aggregate Earnings in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Aggregate Withdrawals/Distributions (\$)	
Michael A. Brown	—	—	—	—	—
Thomas J. Seifert	—	—	—	—	—
Stephen E. Gillett	48,490(1)	—	7,328(2)	—	55,818
Scott C. Taylor	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Former Officers</u>					
Stephen M. Bennett	—	—	—	—	—
James A. Beer	—	—	—	—	—
Francis A. deSouza	—	—	—	—	—
Andrew H. Del Matto	—	—	—	—	—
Donald J. Rath	—	—	—	—	—

(1) Represents \$48,490 reported under the “Salary” column of the Summary Compensation Table.

(2) Amount reflected is not included in the Summary Compensation Table because the earnings are not preferential or above-market.

In fiscal 2013, certain management employees on our U.S. payroll with a base salary of \$150,000 or greater, including each of the named executive officers, are eligible to participate in the Symantec Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan. The plan provides the opportunity for participants to defer up to 75% of base salary and 100% of variable pay each year. Variable pay includes all bonus and commission payments. Deferral elections must be made prior to the beginning of a calendar year and cannot be revoked as of the day immediately prior to commencement of that year. The plan is “unfunded” and all deferrals are general assets of Symantec. Amounts deferred by each participant under the plan are credited to a bookkeeping account maintained on behalf of each participant. The bookkeeping account under the plan will then be adjusted based on the performance of the measurement funds that have been selected by the participant. The measurement funds available under the plan are substantially identical to the investment funds available under our 401(k) plan. Each participant may change their measurement fund selections on a daily basis. The plan requires that benefits accumulated in the bookkeeping accounts for each participant not meeting a 5-year service requirement to be distributed to the participant following his or her termination of employment with us for any reason. If a 5-year service requirement has been met, accumulated benefits will be distributed according to the participant’s designated payment election. The plan permits us to terminate the plan and make such a distribution in the event of a change in control of Symantec. We intend to take such action in the event of a change in control of Symantec.

Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change-In-Control

Set forth below is a description of the plans and agreements (other than the Deferred Compensation Plan) that could result in potential payouts to our named executive officers in the case of their termination of employment and/or a change in control of Symantec.

Symantec Executive Retention Plan

In January 2001, the Board approved the Symantec Executive Retention Plan, to deal with employment termination resulting from a change in control of the Company. The plan was modified by the Board in July 2002, April 2006, June 2007 and April 2012. Under the terms of the plan, all equity compensation awards (including, among others, stock options, RSUs and PRUs) granted by the Company to the Company’s Section 16(b) officers (including our named executive officers) would become fully vested (at target or to the extent

of achievement for PRUs) and, if applicable, exercisable following a change in control of the Company (as defined in the plan) after which the officer's employment is terminated without cause or constructively terminated by the acquirer within 12 months after the change in control. In the case of PRUs, PRUs will vest at target if the change in control occurs prior to the first performance period, will vest as to eligible shares if the change in control occurs following the first performance period but before achievement is determined with respect to the second performance period, and will vest as to the sum of the eligible shares determined to be earned for the second performance period plus 50% of the eligible shares if the change in control occurs following the second performance period but before achievement is determined with respect to the third performance period. Additionally, in accordance with the terms of the PRU award agreement, in the case that an executive's employment with the Company terminates by reason of the executive's death, total and permanent disability or an involuntary termination by the Company other than for cause (as defined in the award agreement) after the end of the first year of the performance period but prior to the end of the third year of the performance period, then the executive will be entitled to payment of a prorated number of PRUs based on the number of months in the three-year performance period during which the executive was employed by the Company, provided that the Company's performance met at least the threshold level of non-GAAP EPS performance during the first year of the performance period.

In April 2012, the Compensation Committee revised the plan to provide for the payment of a cash severance benefit for our named executive officers equal to one times such officer's base salary and target payout under the Executive Annual Incentive Plan applicable to such named executive officer in the circumstances described above (i.e., following a change in control of the Company after which the officer's employment is terminated without cause or constructively terminated by the acquirer within 12 months after the change in control.)

Symantec Executive Severance Plan

On April 30, 2012, the Compensation Committee adopted the Symantec Executive Severance Plan, effective as of April 30, 2012, to provide severance benefits to specified officers of Symantec, including our named executive officers. The executive officers must meet certain criteria in order to participate in the plan, including, among other criteria, (i) the executive officer was involuntarily terminated from active employment other than for cause (as defined in the plan); (ii) the executive officer was not terminated due to the sale of a business, part of a business, divestiture or spin-off and offered employment upon terms and conditions substantially identical to those in effect immediately prior to such sale, divestiture or spin-off; and (iii) the executive officer is not entitled to severance under any other plan, fund, program, policy, arrangement or individualized written agreement providing for severance benefits that is sponsored or funded by Symantec.

Under the terms of the plan, the executive officer will receive severance payments equal to one times the sum of his or her base salary in effect at the time of his or her involuntary termination. The executive officer will also receive a one-time bonus of \$15,000, minus taxes and other legally required deductions. The executive officer is also entitled to receive six months of outplacement services, including counseling and guidance. The executive officer is solely responsible for all COBRA premiums for his or her continuation coverage.

Payment of severance payments, one-time bonus payment and outplacement services pursuant to the Symantec Executive Severance Plan is subject to the applicable executive officer returning a release of claims against Symantec.

Michael A. Brown

The following table summarizes the value of the payouts to Mr. Brown pursuant to the Symantec Executive Retention Plan and the Symantec Executive Severance Plan, assuming a qualifying termination as of March 28, 2014 (intrinsic values of equity awards are based upon the closing price for a share of our common stock of \$19.79 on March 28, 2014):

	<u>Severance Pay</u>	<u>COBRA Premiums</u>	<u>Option Vesting</u>	<u>RSU Vesting</u>	<u>PRU Vesting</u>
Involuntary Termination Because of Market Conditions or Division Performance	\$1,219,200	—	—	—	—
Termination Without Cause or Constructive Termination Within 12 Months of a Change of Control	\$1,200,000	—	—	—	—

Thomas J. Seifert

The following table summarizes the value of the payouts to Mr. Seifert pursuant to the Symantec Executive Retention Plan and the Symantec Executive Severance Plan, assuming a qualifying termination as of March 28, 2014 (intrinsic values of equity awards are based upon the closing price for a share of our common stock of \$19.79 on March 28, 2014):

	<u>Severance Pay</u>	<u>COBRA Premiums</u>	<u>Option Vesting</u>	<u>RSU Vesting</u>	<u>PRU Vesting</u>
Involuntary Termination Because of Market Conditions or Division Performance	\$739,200	—	—	—	—
Termination Without Cause or Constructive Termination Within 12 Months of a Change of Control	\$720,000	—	—	—	—

Stephen E. Gillett

The following table summarizes the value of the payouts to Mr. Gillett pursuant to the Symantec Executive Retention Plan and the Symantec Executive Severance Plan, assuming a qualifying termination as of March 28, 2014 (intrinsic values of equity awards are based upon the closing price for a share of our common stock of \$19.79 on March 28, 2014):

	<u>Severance Pay</u>	<u>COBRA Premiums</u>	<u>Option Vesting</u>	<u>RSU Vesting</u>	<u>PRU Vesting</u>
Involuntary Termination Because of Market Conditions or Division Performance	\$ 894,200	—	—	—	—
Termination Without Cause or Constructive Termination Within 12 Months of a Change of Control	\$1,968,750	—	—	\$1,731,704	\$1,427,868
Termination Without Cause or Termination Due to Death or Disability	—	—	—	—	\$ 475,950

Scott C. Taylor

The following table summarizes the value of the payouts to Mr. Taylor pursuant to the Symantec Executive Retention Plan and the Symantec Executive Severance Plan, assuming a qualifying termination as of March 28, 2014 (intrinsic values of equity awards are based upon the closing price for a share of our common stock of \$19.79 on March 28, 2014 minus the exercise price):

	<u>Severance Pay</u>	<u>COBRA Premiums</u>	<u>Option Vesting</u>	<u>RSU Vesting</u>	<u>PRU Vesting</u>
Involuntary Termination Because of Market Conditions or Division Performance	\$439,200	—	—	—	—
Termination Without Cause or Constructive Termination Within 12 Months of a Change of Control	\$693,000	—	\$501,420	\$1,874,924	\$1,085,482
Termination Without Cause or Termination Due to Death or Disability	—	—	—	—	\$ 361,801

Former Officers:

Stephen M. Bennett

The following table summarizes the value of payouts to Mr. Bennett in accordance with an employment agreement, dated August 21, 2012, between Mr. Bennett and Symantec, and the agreements covering his PCSU and RSU awards in connection with Mr. Bennett's involuntary termination. He received a cash severance payment equal to 1.5 times his annual base salary and target bonus, reimbursement of COBRA premiums for eighteen months and accelerated vesting of his RSUs, PRUs and PCSUs.

	<u>Severance Pay</u>	<u>COBRA Premiums</u>	<u>RSU Vesting</u>	<u>PRU Vesting</u>	<u>PCSU Vesting</u>
Involuntary Termination	\$3,750,000	\$22,901	\$1,290,300	\$1,685,985	\$17,557,370

James A. Beer

The following table summarizes the value of the payouts to Mr. Beer pursuant to the Symantec Executive Retention Plan and the Symantec Executive Severance Plan:

	<u>Severance Pay</u>	<u>Executive Bonus</u>	<u>Outplacement Cost</u>	<u>COBRA Premiums</u>	<u>Option Vesting</u>	<u>RSU Vesting</u>	<u>PRU Vesting</u>
Voluntary Termination	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Francis A. deSouza

The following table summarizes the value of the payouts to Mr. deSouza pursuant to the Symantec Executive Retention Plan and the Symantec Executive Severance Plan:

	<u>Severance Pay</u>	<u>Executive Bonus</u>	<u>Outplacement Cost</u>	<u>COBRA Premiums</u>	<u>Option Vesting</u>	<u>RSU Vesting</u>	<u>PRU Vesting</u>
Voluntary Termination	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Andrew H. Del Matto

The following table summarizes the value of the payouts to Mr. Del Matto pursuant to the Symantec Executive Retention Plan and the Symantec Executive Severance Plan:

	<u>Severance Pay</u>	<u>Executive Bonus</u>	<u>Outplacement Cost</u>	<u>COBRA Premiums</u>	<u>Option Vesting</u>	<u>RSU Vesting</u>	<u>PRU Vesting</u>
Voluntary Termination	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Donald J. Rath

The following table summarizes the value of the payouts to Mr. Rath pursuant to the Symantec Executive Retention Plan and the Symantec Executive Severance Plan, assuming a qualifying termination as of March 28, 2014 (intrinsic values of equity awards are based upon the closing price for a share of our common stock of \$19.79 on March 28, 2014 minus the exercise price):

	<u>Severance Pay</u>	<u>COBRA Premiums</u>	<u>Option Vesting</u>	<u>RSU Vesting</u>	<u>PRU Vesting</u>
Involuntary Termination Because of Market Conditions or Division Performance	\$74,558	—	—	—	—
Termination Without Cause or Constructive Termination Within 12 Months of a Change of Control	—	—	—	\$529,363	\$87,254
Termination Without Cause or Termination Due to Death or Disability	—	—	—	—	\$29,072

EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN INFORMATION

Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following table gives information about Symantec’s common stock that may be issued upon the exercise of options, warrants and rights under all of Symantec’s existing equity compensation plans as of March 28, 2014:

<u>Plan Category</u>	<u>Equity Compensation Plan Information</u>		
	<u>Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights</u>	<u>Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a))</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	26,458,720	\$4.40	89,366,137(1)
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	—(2)	—	—
Total	26,458,720	\$4.40	89,366,137

(1) Represents 67,128 shares remaining available for future issuance under Symantec’s 2000 Director Equity Incentive Plan, 209,599 shares remaining available for future issuance under Symantec’s 2002 Executive Officer’s Stock Purchase Plan, 48,102,450 shares remaining available for future issuance under Symantec’s 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan and 40,986,960 shares remaining available for future issuance as stock options under Symantec’s 2013 Equity Incentive Plan.

(2) Excludes outstanding options to acquire 252,952 shares as of March 28, 2014 that were assumed as part of various acquisitions. The weighted average exercise price of these outstanding options was \$10.39 as of March 28, 2014. In connection with these acquisitions, Symantec has only assumed outstanding options and rights, but not the plans under which there were grants, and therefore, no further options may be granted under these acquired-company plans.

CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

Related-Person Transactions Policy and Procedures

Symantec has adopted a written related person transactions policy which provides for the Company's policies and procedures regarding the identification, review, consideration and approval or ratification of "related person transactions." The Nominating and Governance Committee reviews transactions that may be "related person transactions," which are transactions between Symantec and any related persons in which the aggregate amount involved exceeds or may be expected to exceed \$120,000, and in which the related person has or will have a direct or indirect material interest. For purposes of the policy, a related person is any Symantec executive officer, director, nominee for director, or stockholder holding more than 5% of any class of Symantec's voting securities, in each case, since the beginning of the previous fiscal year, and their immediate family members.

Under the policy, absent any facts or circumstances indicating special or unusual benefits to the related person, the following transactions are deemed not to be "related person transactions" (meaning the related person is deemed to not have a direct or indirect material interest in the transaction):

- compensation to executive officers determined by Symantec's Compensation Committee;
- any transaction with another company at which a related person is a director or an employee (other than an executive officer) if the aggregate amount involved does not exceed the greater of \$2,000,000, or three percent of that company's total annual gross revenues, provided that the transaction involves the purchase of either company's goods and services and the transaction is subject to usual trade terms and is in the ordinary course of business and the related person is not involved in the negotiation of the transaction;
- any compensation paid to a director if the compensation is required to be reported in Symantec's proxy statement;
- any transaction where the related person's interest arises solely from the ownership of the Company's common stock and all holders of the Company's common stock received the same benefit on a pro rata basis;
- any charitable contribution, grant or endowment by Symantec or the Symantec Foundation to a charitable organization, foundation or university at which a related person's only relationship is as a director or an employee (other than an executive officer), if the aggregate amount involved does not exceed \$120,000, or any non-discretionary matching contribution, grant or endowment made pursuant to a matching gift program;
- any transaction where the rates or charges involved are determined by competitive bids;
- any transaction involving the rendering of services as a common or contract carrier, or public utility, at rates or charges fixed in conformity with law or governmental authority; or
- any transaction involving services as a bank depository of funds, transfer agent, registrar, trustee under a trust indenture, or similar services.

Under the policy, members of Symantec's legal department review transactions involving related persons that do not fall into one of the above categories. If they determine that a related person could have a significant interest in a transaction, the transaction is referred to the Nominating and Governance Committee. In addition, transactions may be identified through Symantec's Code of Conduct or other Symantec policies and procedures, and reported to the Nominating and Governance Committee. The Nominating and Governance Committee determines whether the related person has a material interest in a transaction and may approve, ratify, rescind or take other action with respect to the transaction.

REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

The information contained in the following report of Symantec's Audit Committee is not considered to be "soliciting material," "filed" or incorporated by reference in any past or future filing by Symantec under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Securities Act of 1933 unless and only to the extent that Symantec specifically incorporates it by reference.

The Audit Committee is comprised solely of independent directors, as defined by current NASDAQ listing standards, and operates under a written charter which was most recently amended by the Board on May 2, 2013. The Audit Committee oversees Symantec's financial reporting process on behalf of the Board. Management has primary responsibility for the financial statements and the reporting process, including the systems of internal controls. In fulfilling its oversight responsibilities, the Audit Committee reviewed the audited financial statements that were included in Symantec's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014 with management, including a discussion of the quality, not just the acceptability, of the accounting principles, the reasonableness of significant judgments, and the clarity of the disclosures in the financial statements.

The Audit Committee reviewed with Symantec's independent registered public accounting firm, which is responsible for expressing an opinion on the conformity of those audited financial statements with generally accepted accounting principles, its judgments as to the quality, not just the acceptability, of Symantec's accounting principles and discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm the matters required to be discussed by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) Auditing Standard No. 16 (*Communications with Audit Committees*). In addition, the Audit Committee has received and reviewed the written disclosures and the letter from the independent registered public accounting firm required by applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding the registered public accounting firm's communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence from management and Symantec, and has discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm the registered public accounting firm's independence from management and Symantec.

The Audit Committee discussed with Symantec's internal accountants and independent registered public accounting firm the overall scope and plans for their respective audits. The Audit Committee meets with the internal accountants and independent registered public accounting firm, with and without management present, to discuss the results of their examinations, their evaluations of Symantec's internal controls, and the overall quality of Symantec's financial reporting.

The Audit Committee also received the report of management contained in Symantec's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014, as well as KPMG's Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm included in Symantec's Annual Report on Form 10-K related to its audit of (i) the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule and (ii) the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. The Audit Committee continues to oversee Symantec's efforts related to its internal control over financial reporting and management's preparations for the evaluation in fiscal 2015.

In reliance on the reviews and discussions referred to above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board (and the Board has approved) that the audited financial statements be included in Symantec's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2014 for filing with the SEC.

By: The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors:

Frank E. Dangeard
Robert S. Miller
Anita M. Sands
V. Paul Unruh (Chair)
Suzanne M. Vautrinot

**SYMANTEC CORPORATION
2014 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
MEETING INFORMATION**

Information About Solicitation and Voting

This proxy is solicited on behalf of the Board for use at the Annual Meeting to be held at Symantec's offices located at 350 Ellis Street, Mountain View, California 94043 on Tuesday, October 28, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. (Pacific Time), and any adjournment or postponement thereof. We will provide a live and re-playable webcast of the Annual Meeting, which will be available on the events section of our investor relations website at www.symantec.com/invest.

About the Annual Meeting

What is the purpose of the Annual Meeting?

At our Annual Meeting, stockholders will act upon the proposals described in this proxy statement. In addition, following the meeting, management will report on the performance of Symantec and respond to questions from stockholders.

What proposals are scheduled to be voted on at the Annual Meeting?

Stockholders will be asked to vote on three proposals. The proposals are:

1. Election to the Board of the ten nominees named in this proxy statement;
2. Ratification of the appointment of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2015 fiscal year; and
3. An advisory vote to approve executive compensation.

What is the recommendation of the Board on each of the proposals scheduled to be voted on at the Annual Meeting?

The Board recommends that you vote **FOR** each of the nominees to the Board (Proposal 1), **FOR** the ratification of the appointment of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm for the 2015 fiscal year (Proposal 2); and **FOR** the approval of compensation to our named executive officers (Proposal 3).

Could other matters be decided at the Annual Meeting?

Our Bylaws require that we receive advance notice of any proposal to be brought before the Annual Meeting by stockholders of Symantec, and we have not received notice of any such proposals. If any other matter were to come before the Annual Meeting, the proxy holders appointed by the Board will have the discretion to vote on those matters for you.

Who can vote at the Annual Meeting?

Stockholders as of the record date for the Annual Meeting, August 29, 2014, are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. At the close of business on the record date, there were 690,310,999 shares of Symantec common stock outstanding and entitled to vote. Each share of common stock is entitled to vote on each matter properly brought before the meeting.

Stockholder of Record: Shares Registered in Your Name

If on August 29, 2014, your shares were registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, Computer-share Investor Services, then you are considered the stockholder of record with respect to those shares. As a

stockholder of record, you may vote at the Annual Meeting or vote by proxy. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, we urge you to vote over the Internet or by telephone, or if you received paper proxy materials by mail, by filling out and returning the proxy card.

For questions regarding your stock ownership, you may contact our transfer agent, Computershare Investor Services, by email through their website at www.computershare.com/contactus or by phone at (877) 282-1168 (within the U.S. and Canada) or (781) 575-2879 (outside the U.S. and Canada).

Beneficial Owner: Shares Registered in the Name of a Broker or Nominee

If on August 29, 2014, your shares were held in an account with a brokerage firm, bank or other nominee, then you are the beneficial owner of the shares held in street name. As a beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your nominee on how to vote the shares held in your account, and it has enclosed or provided voting instructions for you to use in directing it on how to vote your shares. However, the organization that holds your shares is considered the stockholder of record for purposes of voting at the Annual Meeting. Because you are not the stockholder of record, you may not vote your shares at the Annual Meeting unless you request and obtain a valid proxy from the organization that holds your shares giving you the right to vote the shares at the Annual Meeting.

How do I vote?

If you are a stockholder of record, you may:

- vote in person — we will provide a ballot to stockholders who attend the Annual Meeting and wish to vote in person;
- vote via the Internet or via telephone — instructions are shown on your Notice of Internet Availability or proxy card; or
- vote by mail — if you received a paper proxy card and voting instructions by mail, simply complete, sign and date the enclosed proxy card and return it before the Annual Meeting in the envelope provided.

Votes submitted via the Internet or by telephone must be received by 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time, on October 27, 2014. Submitting your proxy, whether via the Internet, by telephone or by mail if you received a paper proxy card, will not affect your right to vote at the Annual Meeting should you decide to attend the meeting.

If you are not the stockholder of record, please refer to the voting instructions provided by your nominee to direct it how to vote your shares.

Your vote is important. Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, we urge you to vote by proxy to ensure that your vote is counted. You may still attend the Annual Meeting if you have already voted by proxy.

What is the quorum requirement for the Annual Meeting?

A majority of our outstanding shares as of the record date must be present at the Annual Meeting in order to hold the meeting and conduct business. This presence is called a quorum. Your shares are counted as present at the Annual Meeting if you are present and vote in person at the meeting or if you have properly submitted a proxy.

How are abstentions and broker non-votes treated?

Abstentions (shares present at the meeting and voted “abstain”) are counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present, and have no effect on the election of directors. For the purpose of determining whether the stockholders have approved all other matters, abstentions have the same effect as an “against” vote.

Broker non-votes occur when shares held by a broker for a beneficial owner are not voted either because (i) the broker did not receive voting instructions from the beneficial owner, or (ii) the broker lacked discretionary

authority to vote the shares. Broker non-votes are counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present, and have no effect on the matters voted upon. If you are a beneficial holder and do not provide specific voting instructions to your broker, the broker that holds your shares will not be authorized to vote your shares on any of the proposals, except for Proposal 2, ratification of the appointment of KPMG as our independent public accounting firm for the 2014 fiscal year. Accordingly, we encourage you to provide voting instructions to your broker, whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting.

What is the vote required for each proposal?

The votes required to approve each proposal are as follows:

- *Proposal No. 1.* Each director must be elected by a majority of the votes cast, meaning the votes “FOR” a director must exceed the number of votes “AGAINST” a director.
- *Proposal Nos. 2 and 3.* Approval of each of Proposals 2 and 3 requires the affirmative “FOR” vote of a majority of the shares entitled to vote on these proposals at the Annual Meeting and present in person or represented by proxy.

What if I return a proxy card but do not make specific choices?

All proxies will be voted in accordance with the instructions specified on the proxy card. If you received a Notice of Internet Availability, please follow the instructions included on the notice on how to access your proxy card and vote over the Internet or by telephone. If you sign a physical proxy card and return it without instructions as to how your shares should be voted on a particular proposal at the Annual Meeting, your shares will be voted in accordance with the recommendations of our Board stated above.

If you do not vote and you hold your shares in street name, and your broker does not have discretionary power to vote your shares, your shares may constitute “broker non-votes” (as described above) and will not be counted in determining the number of shares necessary for approval of the proposals. However, shares that constitute broker non-votes will be counted for the purpose of establishing a quorum for the Annual Meeting. Voting results will be tabulated and certified by the inspector of elections appointed for the Annual Meeting.

Who is paying for this proxy solicitation?

Symantec is paying the costs of the solicitation of proxies. We have retained AST Phoenix Advisors to help us solicit proxies from brokers, bank nominees and other institutions for a fee of \$9,500, plus reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. We will also reimburse brokerage firms and other persons representing beneficial owners of shares for their expenses in forwarding solicitation materials to such beneficial owners. In addition, our directors, officers, and other employees, without additional compensation, may solicit proxies personally or in writing, by telephone, e-mail, or otherwise. If you choose to access the proxy materials and/or vote over the Internet, you are responsible for any Internet access charges you may incur.

What does it mean if I receive more than one proxy card or Notice of Internet Availability?

If you receive more than one proxy card or Notice of Internet Availability, your shares are registered in more than one name or are registered in different accounts. To make certain all of your shares are voted, please follow the instructions included on the Notice of Internet Availability on how to access each proxy card and vote each proxy card over the Internet or by telephone. If you received paper proxy materials by mail, please complete, sign and return each proxy card to ensure that all of your shares are voted.

How can I change my vote after submitting my proxy?

You may change your vote or revoke your proxy at any time before your proxy is voted at the Annual Meeting. If you are a stockholder of record, you may change your vote or revoke your proxy by:

- delivering to the Corporate Secretary of Symantec (by any means, including facsimile) a written notice stating that the proxy is revoked;
- signing and delivering a proxy bearing a later date;

- voting again over the Internet or by telephone; or
- attending and voting at the Annual Meeting (although attendance at the meeting will not, by itself, revoke a proxy).

Please note, however, that if you are a beneficial owner and you wish to change or revoke your proxy, you may change your vote by submitting new voting instructions to your broker, bank or other nominee or, if you have obtained a legal proxy from your broker, bank or other nominee giving you the right to vote your shares at the Annual Meeting, by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person.

How can I get electronic access to the proxy materials?

The Notice of Internet Availability will provide you with instructions regarding how to:

- view our proxy materials for the Annual Meeting over the Internet; and
- instruct us to send our future proxy materials to you electronically by email.

Choosing to receive your future proxy materials by email will save us the cost of printing and mailing documents to you and will reduce the impact of our annual meetings of stockholders on the environment. If you choose to receive future proxy materials by email, you will receive an email next year with instructions containing a link to those materials and a link to the proxy voting site. Your election to receive proxy materials by email will remain in effect until you terminate it.

Where can I find the voting results?

The preliminary voting results will be announced at the Annual Meeting and posted on our website at www.symantec.com/invest. The final results will be tallied by the inspector of elections and filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in a current report on Form 8-K within four business days of the Annual Meeting.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Stockholder Proposals for the 2015 Annual Meeting

Requirements for Stockholder Proposals to be Brought Before an Annual Meeting. Symantec's Bylaws provide that, for stockholder nominations to the Board or other proposals to be considered at an annual meeting, the stockholder must give timely notice thereof in writing to the Corporate Secretary at Symantec Corporation, 350 Ellis Street, Mountain View, California 94043, Attn: Corporate Secretary.

To be timely for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, a stockholder's notice must be delivered to or mailed and received by our Corporate Secretary at our principal executive offices between June 30, 2015 and July 30, 2015. A stockholder's notice to the Corporate Secretary must set forth as to each matter the stockholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting the information required by Symantec's Bylaws.

Requirements for Stockholder Proposals to be Considered for Inclusion in Our Proxy Materials. Stockholder proposals submitted pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act and intended to be presented at Symantec's 2015 annual meeting must be received by us not later than May 11, 2015 in order to be considered for inclusion in Symantec's proxy materials for that meeting.

Available Information

Symantec will mail without charge, upon written request, a copy of Symantec's Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal year 2014, including the financial statements, schedule and list of exhibits, and any exhibit specifically requested. Requests should be sent to:

**Symantec Corporation
350 Ellis Street
Mountain View, California 94043
Attn: Investor Relations**

The Annual Report is also available at www.symantec.com.

“Householding” — Stockholders Sharing the Same Last Name and Address

The SEC has adopted rules that permit companies and intermediaries (such as brokers) to implement a delivery procedure called “householding.” Under this procedure, multiple stockholders who reside at the same address may receive a single copy of our annual report and proxy materials, including the Notice of Internet Availability, unless the affected stockholder has provided contrary instructions. This procedure reduces printing costs and postage fees, and helps protect the environment as well.

This year, a number of brokers with account holders who are Symantec stockholders will be “householding” our annual report and proxy materials, including the Notice of Internet Availability. A single Notice of Internet Availability and, if applicable, a single set of annual report and other proxy materials will be delivered to multiple stockholders sharing an address unless contrary instructions have been received from the affected stockholders. Once you have received notice from your broker that it will be “householding” communications to your address, “householding” will continue until you are notified otherwise or until you revoke your consent. Stockholders may revoke their consent at any time by contacting Broadridge ICS, either by calling toll-free (800) 542-1061, or by writing to Broadridge ICS, Householding Department, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, New York, 11717.

Upon written or oral request, Symantec will promptly deliver a separate copy of the Notice of Internet Availability and, if applicable, annual report and other proxy materials to any stockholder at a shared address to which a single copy of any of those documents was delivered. To receive a separate copy of the Notice of Internet Availability and, if applicable, annual report and other proxy materials, you may write or call Symantec's Investor Relations department at 350 Ellis Street, Mountain View, California 94043, Attn: Investor Relations, telephone number (650) 527-5523.

Any stockholders who share the same address and currently receive multiple copies of Symantec's Notice of Internet Availability or annual report and other proxy materials who wish to receive only one copy in the future can contact their bank, broker or other holder of record to request information about householding or Symantec's Investor Relations department at the address or telephone number listed above.

OTHER MATTERS

The Board does not presently intend to bring any other business before the meeting and, so far as is known to the Board, no matters are to be brought before the meeting except as specified in the notice of the meeting. As to any business that may arise and properly come before the meeting, however, it is intended that proxies, in the form enclosed, will be voted in respect thereof in accordance with the judgment of the persons voting such proxies.

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
Form 10-K

(Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Fiscal Year Ended March 28, 2014

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Transition Period from

to .

Commission File Number 000-17781

SYMANTEC CORPORATION

(Exact name of the registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

*(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)*

350 Ellis Street,

Mountain View, California

(Address of principal executive offices)

77-0181864

*(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)*

94043

(zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(650) 527-8000

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(Title of each class)

The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

(Name of each exchange on which registered)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

(Title of class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

Aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant, based upon the closing sale price of Symantec common stock on September 27, 2013 as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market: \$17,261,356,899.

Number of shares outstanding of the registrant's common stock as of April 25, 2014: 691,693,986

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The information called for by Part III will be included in an amendment to this Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from the registrant's definitive Proxy Statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A.

SYMANTEC CORPORATION

FORM 10-K For the Fiscal Year Ended March 28, 2014

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS AND FACTORS THAT MAY AFFECT FUTURE RESULTS

The discussion below contains forward-looking statements, which are subject to safe harbors under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”). Forward-looking statements include references to our ability to utilize our deferred tax assets, as well as statements including words such as “expects,” “plans,” “anticipates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “predicts,” “projects,” and similar expressions. In addition, statements that refer to projections of our future financial performance, anticipated growth and trends in our businesses and in our industries, the anticipated impacts of acquisitions, our intent to pay quarterly cash dividends in the future, the actions we intend to take as part of our new strategy, the expected impact of our new strategy and other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. These statements are only predictions, based on our current expectations about future events and may not prove to be accurate. We do not undertake any obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events occurring or circumstances arising after the date of this report. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, and our actual results, performance, or achievements could differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements on the basis of several factors, including those that we discuss under Item 1A, *Risk Factors*. We encourage you to read that section carefully.

PART I

Item 1. *Business*

Overview

Symantec Corporation protects the world's information and is a global leader in security, backup and availability solutions. Our market leading products and services protect people and information in any environment – from the smallest mobile device, to the enterprise data center, to cloud-based systems. Founded in April 1982, Symantec operates one of the largest global threat-intelligence networks, and provides leading security, backup and availability solutions. The company has more than 20,000 employees in more than 50 countries. Our Internet home page is www.symantec.com. Other than the information expressly set forth in this annual report, the information contained or referred to on our website is not part of this annual report.

Strategy

The recent transformation of business and consumer technologies has driven pervasive mobility and an explosion of data resulting in the need for a new approach to protecting devices, applications, data and users. Further, the emergence of the Internet of Things, where new devices and everyday objects are becoming networked and connected to the Internet for the first time, highlights the need for comprehensive information security and management solutions to protect valuable data. We believe that the market for security and management solutions will benefit from these trends. As a platform-independent software company without bias to any individual operating system or hardware environment, Symantec helps customers manage more technologies with greater efficiency and on a wide range of virtual and mobile platforms.

In January 2013, we announced our strategy to transition from being device-centric or protecting endpoints and the data center, to having a broader focus of protecting and managing digital information. We track a vast number of threat indicators across the Internet and continuously collect new telemetry from hundreds of millions of mobile devices, endpoints, and servers across the globe. This massive amount of security data, combined with our years of experience analyzing such data allows us to provide advanced intelligence and protection for all of our customers.

During fiscal year 2014, we implemented changes in three areas: simplifying our organizational structure; redesigning our Go-To-Market (“GTM”) strategy, and changing our product offerings.

Simplifying our Organizational Structure

We aligned our organization by functional areas, rather than by market segments in order to reduce complexity, remove redundancies, increase the speed of decision making, and improve accountability and execution. We reduced the number of management layers from our previous structure and increased the average span of control for managers.

Redesigning our Go-To-Market Strategy

We split our direct field sales team into security and information management specialists focused on new business only and expanded their territories to be more effective for our enterprise customers. We also built a renewals group in order to extend the customer relationship and make it easier to renew and do business with us. We redesigned our global channel strategy focused on building partner competency, rewarding performance, and customer satisfaction.

Changing our Product Offerings

With a portfolio of leading products, we focused our development efforts on making our point solutions better, designing new integrated solutions, and expanding our offerings by partnering with network security vendors to offer solutions that provide multi-tier protection.

Business Highlights

During fiscal 2014, we took the following actions in support of our business:

- We released new solutions. Storage Foundation includes a disruptive new capability that abstracts in-server memory, allowing the sharing of flash storage across servers without the need for expensive storage hardware. We offer a vendor-agnostic solution providing these benefits so customers can run any storage configuration while managing performance and redundancy entirely through software. NetBackup is designed for enterprise level scale, which can accommodate hundreds of thousands of virtual machines and petabytes of data while giving customers faster recovery capabilities. As IT organizations move to software-defined data centers, they can now simplify and automate the protection of massive and complex physical, virtual, and cloud environments which are the building blocks of a modern data center. Mobile App Center is an important enhancement to our integrated mobile workforce productivity solution and includes our Sealed program which delivers enterprise-class security and control for both internally-developed and third-party apps on both iOS and Android operating systems. Our new Disarm technology uses a technique to protect companies from targeted attacks and is included in our messaging offering. Norton solutions include new advanced repair capabilities, compatibility with the new features of Windows 8.1, and protect against new and evolving threats.
- We entered into key partnerships. We are working with Cisco to integrate technology into their Application Centric Infrastructure (ACI) architecture and extend into the infrastructure automation space. We continue to work with several customers to integrate next-generation firewalls with Symantec Endpoint Protection using our Managed Security Service. This initiative will seek to provide a new set of enhanced advanced threat detection capabilities that will enable our customers to automatically prioritize and provide comprehensive contextual intelligence for incidents based on correlation between network-based advanced threat detection, endpoint security, and Symantec's Global Intelligence Network.
- We enhanced our eBusiness platform into a digital experience that enables existing and potential customers to discover, purchase, and receive product help online with real-time customer care. This improves our ability to reach and acquire a new set of customers by expanding our payment options, expanding our eBusiness platform on a global basis, and advancing our search capabilities.
- We attracted new technology executives, who bring valuable skills in holistic information protection product design, integrated IT implementation, cloud infrastructure, eCommerce, global operations, and customer experience.
- We implemented a capital allocation strategy pursuant to which we expect to return over time approximately 50% of free cash flow to stockholders through a combination of dividends and share repurchases, while still enabling our company to invest in its future. As part of this program we initiated a quarterly cash dividend, targeting a yield of approximately 2.5% based on our closing stock price on May 1, 2013. On May 2, 2013, our board of directors approved a quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per share of common stock, the first dividend in Symantec's history.
- Our board of directors approved an additional \$1.0 billion stock repurchase program. This program does not have an expiration date. As of March 28, 2014, we repurchased 21 million shares of our common stock for an aggregate amount of \$500 million and \$658 million remained authorized for future repurchases.

Operating Segments and Products

Our current operating segments are strategic business units that offer different products and services distinguished by customer needs. In the first quarter of fiscal 2014, we modified our segment reporting structure to more readily match the new operating structure. The three operating segments are: User Productivity & Protection, Information Security, and Information Management.

User Productivity & Protection

Symantec's User Productivity & Protection segment focuses on making it simple for customers to be productive and protected at home and at work. These products include our Norton solutions, endpoint security and management, encryption, and mobile offerings.

Our Norton products help customers protect against increasingly complex threats and address the need for identity protection, while also managing the rapid increase in mobile and digital data, such as personal financial records, photos, music, and videos. Our endpoint security and management offerings support the evolving endpoint, providing advanced threat protection while helping reduce cost and complexity. Our mobile solutions help organizations secure corporate data while gaining visibility into and control of all mobile platforms and enforcing security policies.

Information Security

Symantec's Information Security segment protects organizations so they can securely conduct business while leveraging new platforms and data. These products include Secure Socket Layer ("SSL") Certificates, authentication, mail and web security, data center security, data loss prevention, and information security services offerings.

These products and services help our customers ensure their confidential information is secure wherever it resides in the network path, from the user's device to the data's resting place. In doing so, these products protect customer data from sophisticated threats such as advanced protection threats, malicious spam and phishing attacks, malware, drive-by website infections, hackers, and cyber criminals. In addition, these products help to prevent the loss of confidential data by insiders, and help customers achieve compliance with laws and regulations. These solutions are delivered through various methods, such as software, appliance, SaaS, and managed services.

Information Management

Symantec's Information Management segment focuses on backup and recovery, archiving and eDiscovery, storage and high availability solutions, helping to ensure that our customers' IT infrastructure and mission-critical applications are protected, managed and available.

Our products enable customers to reduce cost and complexity as we improve the way information is managed through the ever-evolving cloud and virtualized environments. Our products are designed to ensure successful backup, recovery, availability, eDiscovery and archiving of information, applications, and systems for organizations ranging from small business to large enterprise.

Financial Information by Segment and Geographic Region

For information regarding our revenue by segment, revenue by geographical area, and property and equipment by geographical area, see Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report. For information regarding the amount and percentage of our revenue contributed by each of our segments and our financial information, including information about geographic areas in which we operate, see Item 7,

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report. For information regarding risks associated with our international operations, see Item 1A, *Risk Factors*.

Sales and Go-To-Market Strategy

In fiscal year 2014, we made changes to our GTM strategy, reorganizing our direct sales force into specialist areas of security and information management focused on selling new business. Concurrently, we created a dedicated renewals team that is focused on extending customer relationships and renewing our contracts. We also streamlined our indirect sales strategy to have fewer, more focused partners with specialized partner programs to enhance sales. We believe these changes provide customers with a high-quality sales and post-sales support experience, while also enabling us to expand our business.

Our GTM network includes a direct sales force, broad eCommerce capabilities, and indirect sales resources that support our global partner ecosystem. We also maintain important relationships with a number of Original Equipment Manufacturers ("OEMs"), Internet Service Providers ("ISPs"), and retail and online stores by which we market and sell our products.

We also made changes to our GTM marketing structure. We created a new Brand, Digital and Advertising team, focused on three GTM areas so that we can effectively market our different products and services distinguished by customer needs. Our three GTM focus areas are as follows: Consumer and Small Business, Commercial, and Enterprise.

Our Brand, Digital and Advertising team develops marketing activation plans to increase awareness, engagement, consideration, purchase, retention, and advocacy for our brands. Our Brand efforts include digital marketing, social media, paid advertising (i.e. search, print, digital), search engine optimization, brand partnerships, CRM, video and other content production, and other forms of demand generation and retention marketing. We also invest in cooperative marketing campaigns with distributors, resellers, retailers, OEMs, and industry partners.

Consumer and Small Business

We sell our consumer products and services to individuals, households and small businesses globally. We bring these products to market through our eCommerce platform, distributors, direct marketers, Internet-based resellers, system builders, ISPs, wireless carriers, and retailers worldwide. We also have partnerships with OEMs globally to distribute our Internet security suites and our online backup offerings.

Commercial

We sell and market our products and related services to small, medium and large enterprise customers through field sales and inside sales leveraging indirect sales partners around the world who are specifically trained and certified to sell our solutions. These partners include national solution providers, regional solution providers, national account resellers, global/federal system integrators and managed service providers. Our products are also available on our eCommerce platform, as well as through authorized distributors and OEMs who incorporate our technologies into their products, bundle our products with their offerings, or serve as authorized resellers of our products.

Enterprise

We sell and market our products and related services to the largest of enterprise organizations, including government and public sector customers, through our field sales force. This field sales team is responsible for approximately 2,000 named accounts around the world, leveraging our global partner ecosystem primarily targeting senior executives and IT department personnel responsible for managing a company's highest-order IT initiatives.

Research and Development

Symantec embraces a global research and development (“R&D”) strategy to drive organic innovation. Engineers and researchers throughout the Company pursue advanced projects to translate R&D into customer solutions by creating new technologies and integrating our unique set of technology assets. Symantec focuses on short, medium, and long-term applied research, develops new products in emerging areas, participates in government-funded research projects, drives industry standards, and partners with universities to conduct research supporting Symantec’s strategy.

Symantec’s Security Technology and Response organization is a global team of security engineers, threat analysts, and researchers that provides the underlying functionality, content, and support for many of our consumer, small business and enterprise security products. Our security experts monitor malicious code reports collected through the Global Intelligence Network to provide insight into emerging attacks, malicious code activity, phishing, spam, and other threats. The team uses this vast amount of data and insights to develop new technologies and approaches, such as Symantec’s reputation-based security technology, to protect customer information.

Research and development expenses, exclusive of in-process research and development associated with acquisitions, were \$1,038 million, \$1,012 million, and \$969 million in fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively, representing approximately 16% of revenue in fiscal 2014 and 15% and 14% of revenue in fiscal 2013 and 2012, respectively. We believe that technical leadership is essential to our success and we expect to continue to commit substantial resources to R&D.

Support

Symantec has support facilities throughout the world, staffed by technical product experts knowledgeable in the operating environments in which our products are deployed. Our technical support experts assist customers with issue resolution and threat detection.

We provide consumers with various levels of support offerings. Consumers that subscribe to LiveUpdate receive automatic downloads of the latest virus definitions, application bug fixes, and patches for most of our consumer products. Our standard consumer support program provides self-help online services and phone, chat, and email support to consumers worldwide. Our Norton One membership features elite-level support, which includes an under two-minute wait time for phone calls, an instant call back feature, and virus protection assurance.

We provide customers various levels of enterprise support offerings. Our enterprise security support program offers annual maintenance support contracts, including content, upgrades, and technical support. Our standard technical support includes: self-service options delivered by telephone or electronically during the contracted-for hours, immediate patches for severe problems, periodic software updates, and access to our technical knowledge base and frequently asked questions.

Customers

In fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, there were no customers that accounted for more than 10% of our total net revenue.

Acquisitions

Our strategy will be complemented by business combinations that fit strategically and meet specific profitability hurdles. Our acquisitions are designed to enhance the features and functionality of our existing products and extend our product leadership in core markets. We consider time-to-market, synergies with existing products, and potential market share gains when evaluating the economics of acquisitions of technologies, product lines, or companies. We may acquire or dispose of other technologies, products, and companies in the future.

We did not make any material acquisitions during fiscal 2014.

Competition

Our markets are consolidating, highly competitive, and subject to rapid changes in technology. The competitive landscape has changed significantly over the past few years, with new competition arising. Much of the market growth has come from startups whose focus is on solving a specific customer issue or delivering a specific niche-oriented product and from larger integration providers that increasingly are looking to put various types of protection, whether it is backup, high availability or security, into their platforms. We are focused on delivering comprehensive customer solutions, integrating across our broad product portfolio and partnering with other technology providers to differentiate ourselves from the competition. We believe that the principal competitive factors necessary to be successful in our industry include product quality and effectiveness, time-to-market, price, reputation, financial stability, breadth of product offerings, customer support, brand recognition, and effective sales and marketing efforts.

In addition to the competition we face from direct competitors, we face indirect or potential competition from retailers, application providers, operating system providers, network equipment manufacturers, and other OEMs who may provide various solutions and functions in their current and future products. We also compete for access to retail distribution channels and for spending at the retail level and in corporate accounts. In addition, we compete with other software companies, operating system providers, network equipment manufacturers, and other OEMs to acquire technologies, products, or companies and to publish software developed by third parties. We also compete with other software companies in our effort to place our products on the computer equipment sold to consumers and enterprises by OEMs.

The competitive environments for our security and management products are described below.

Security

Most of the channels in which our security products are offered are highly competitive. Some of our consumer competitors are intensely focused on customer acquisition, which has led competitors to offer their technology for free, engage in aggressive marketing, or enter into competitive partnerships. Our primary security competitors are McAfee, Inc., owned by Intel Corporation, Microsoft Corporation (“Microsoft”), and Trend Micro Inc. There are also several freeware providers and regional security companies that we compete against. For our consumer backup offerings, our primary competitors are Carbonite, Inc. and Mozy, Inc., owned by EMC Corporation (“EMC”). In the authentication services market, our primary competitors are Comodo Group, Inc., RSA, the security division of EMC, Entrust, Inc., and GoDaddy.com, Inc. In the Software-as-a-Service (“SaaS”) security market, our primary competitors are Google Inc.’s Postini Services and Microsoft. Our primary competitors in the managed services business are SecureWorks, Inc., owned by Dell, Inc., and Verizon Communications, Inc.

Information Management

The markets for storage management, backup, archiving, and eDiscovery are intensely competitive. Our primary competitors are CommVault Systems, Inc., EMC, Hewlett-Packard Company, IBM, Oracle, and Veeam Software.

Intellectual Property

Protective Measures

We regard some of the features of our internal operations, software, and documentation as proprietary and rely on copyright, patent, trademark and trade secret laws, confidentiality procedures, contractual arrangements, and other measures to protect our proprietary information. Our intellectual property is an important and valuable asset that enables us to gain recognition for our products, services, and technology and enhance our competitive position.

As part of our confidentiality procedures, we generally enter into non-disclosure agreements with our employees, distributors, and corporate partners and we enter into license agreements with respect to our software, documentation, and other proprietary information. These license agreements are generally non-transferable and have either a perpetual or subscription based time limited term. We also educate our employees on trade secret protection and employ measures to protect our facilities, equipment, and networks.

Trademarks, Patents, Copyrights, and Licenses

Symantec and the Symantec logo are trademarks or registered trademarks in the U.S. and other countries. In addition to Symantec and the Symantec logo, we have used, registered, or applied to register other specific trademarks and service marks to help distinguish our products, technologies, and services from those of our competitors in the U.S. and foreign countries and jurisdictions. We enforce our trademark, service mark, and trade name rights in the U.S. and abroad. The duration of our trademark registrations varies from country to country, and in the U.S. we generally are able to maintain our trademark rights and renew any trademark registrations for as long as the trademarks are in use.

We have more than 2,200 patents, in addition to foreign patents and pending U.S. and foreign patent applications, which relate to various aspects of our products and technology. The duration of our patents is determined by the laws of the country of issuance and for the U.S. is typically 17 years from the date of issuance of the patent or 20 years from the date of filing of the patent application resulting in the patent, which we believe is adequate relative to the expected lives of our products.

Our products are protected under U.S. and international copyright laws and laws related to the protection of intellectual property and proprietary information. We take measures to label such products with the appropriate proprietary rights notices, and we actively enforce such rights in the U.S. and abroad. However, these measures may not provide sufficient protection, and our intellectual property rights may be challenged. In addition, we license some intellectual property from third parties for use in our products, and generally must rely on the third party to protect the licensed intellectual property rights. While we believe that our ability to maintain and protect our intellectual property rights is important to our success, we also believe that our business as a whole is not materially dependent on any particular patent, trademark, license, or other intellectual property right.

Seasonality

As is typical for many large software companies, our business is seasonal. Software license and maintenance orders are generally higher in our third and fourth fiscal quarters and lower in our first and second fiscal quarters. A decline in license and maintenance orders is typical in the first quarter of our fiscal year as compared to license and maintenance orders in the fourth quarter of the prior fiscal year. In addition, we generally receive a higher volume of software license and maintenance orders in the last month of a quarter, with orders concentrated in the latter part of that month. We believe that this seasonality primarily reflects customer spending patterns and budget cycles, as well as the impact of compensation incentive plans for our sales personnel. Revenue generally reflects similar seasonal patterns but to a lesser extent than orders because revenue is not recognized until an order is shipped or services are performed and other revenue recognition criteria are met, and because a significant portion of our in-period revenue comes from our deferred revenue balance.

Employees

As of March 28, 2014, we employed more than 20,800 people worldwide, approximately 44% of whom reside in the U.S. Approximately 6,600 employees work in sales and marketing, 7,000 in research and development, 5,400 in support and services, and 1,800 in management, manufacturing, and administration.

Available Information

Our Internet address is www.symantec.com. We make available free of charge our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) on our investor relations website located at www.symantec.com/invest. The information contained, or referred to, on our website is not part of this annual report unless expressly noted. The SEC maintains a website that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding our filings at <http://www.sec.gov>

Item 1A. Risk Factors

A description of the risk factors associated with our business is set forth below. The list is not exhaustive and you should carefully consider these risks and uncertainties before investing in our common stock.

If we are unsuccessful at addressing our business challenges, our business and results of operations may be adversely affected and our ability to invest in and grow our business could be limited.

In January 2013, under the direction of our then-new chief executive officer, we commenced a plan to revitalize our business model, with a focus on operations, sales and organizational structure with the goal of improving our existing products and services. At the same time we laid out a roadmap to develop new, innovative products and services that solve important unmet or underserved needs. One set of challenges relates to leadership under our new business model as, in recent periods, we have experienced transitions of several senior officers, including our chief executive officer. While our board of directors remains committed to our strategic direction, management transitions can be disruptive and result in loss of institutional focus and employee morale, making execution of business strategies more difficult. We are also in the process of seeking to address the challenges of dynamic and accelerating market trends, such as the decline in the PC market, the market shift towards tablets within mobility and architectural shifts in the provision of security and storage solutions, all of which has made it more difficult for us to compete effectively and requires us to improve our product and service offerings. A third set of challenges relates to GTM execution as we have significantly reorganized our sales structure and have only recently announced our new product strategy. We may experience delays in the anticipated timing of activities related to our efforts to address these challenges and higher than expected or unanticipated execution costs. In addition, we are vulnerable to increased risks associated with these efforts given our multiple business units and the broad range of geographic regions in which we and our customers and partners operate. If we do not succeed in these efforts, or if these efforts are more costly or time-consuming than expected, our business and results of operations may be adversely affected, which could limit our ability to invest in and grow our business.

If we are unable to attract and retain qualified employees, lose key personnel, fail to integrate replacement personnel successfully, or fail to manage our employee base effectively, we may be unable to develop new and enhanced products and services, effectively manage or expand our business, or increase our revenues.

Our future success depends upon our ability to recruit and retain key management, technical, sales, marketing, finance, and other personnel. Our officers and other key personnel are employees-at-will, and we cannot assure you that we will be able to retain them. Competition for people with the specific skills that we require is significant. In order to attract and retain personnel in a competitive marketplace, we believe that we must provide a competitive compensation package, including cash and equity-based compensation. The volatility in our stock price may from time to time adversely affect our ability to recruit or retain employees. In addition, we may be unable to obtain required stockholder approvals of future increases in the number of shares available for issuance under our equity compensation plans, and accounting rules require us to treat the issuance of equity-based compensation as compensation expense. As a result, we may decide to issue fewer equity-based incentives and may be impaired in our efforts to attract and retain necessary personnel. If we are unable to hire and retain qualified employees, or conversely, if we fail to manage employee performance or reduce staffing levels when required by market conditions, our business and operating results could be adversely affected.

Effective succession planning is also important to our long-term success. Failure to ensure effective transfer of knowledge and smooth transitions involving key employees could hinder our strategic planning and execution. From time to time, key personnel leave our company and the incidence of this increased in recent periods following the transition within the office of the chief executive officer (“CEO”) in 2013. In addition, we could experience similar departures following our recent chief executive officer transition. While we strive to reduce the negative impact of such changes, the loss of any key employee could result in significant disruptions to our operations, including adversely affecting the timeliness of product releases, the successful implementation and completion of company initiatives, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures and our internal control over financial reporting, and the results of our operations. In addition, hiring, training, and successfully integrating replacement sales and other personnel could be time consuming, may cause additional disruptions to our operations, and may be unsuccessful, which could negatively impact future revenues. These risks may be exacerbated by the uncertainty associated with the successive transitions in the office of the chief executive officer.

Fluctuations in demand for our products and services are driven by many factors, and a decrease in demand for our products could adversely affect our financial results.

We are subject to fluctuations in demand for our products and services due to a variety of factors, including general economic conditions, competition, product obsolescence, technological change, shifts in buying patterns, financial difficulties and budget constraints of our current and potential customers, levels of broadband usage, awareness of security threats to IT systems, and other factors. While such factors may, in some periods, increase product sales, fluctuations in demand can also negatively impact our product sales. If demand for our products and solutions declines, whether due to general economic conditions or a shift in buying patterns, our revenues and margins would likely be adversely affected.

If we are unable to develop new and enhanced products and services that achieve widespread market acceptance, or if we are unable to continually improve the performance, features, and reliability of our existing products and services or adapt our business model to keep pace with industry trends, our business and operating results could be adversely affected.

Our future success depends on our ability to respond to the rapidly changing needs of our customers by developing or introducing new products, product upgrades, and services on a timely basis. We have in the past incurred, and will continue to incur, significant research and development expenses as we strive to remain competitive. New product development and introduction involves a significant commitment of time and resources and is subject to a number of risks and challenges including:

- Managing the length of the development cycle for new products and product enhancements, which has frequently been longer than we originally expected
- Adapting to emerging and evolving industry standards and to technological developments by our competitors and customers
- Extending the operation of our products and services to new and evolving platforms, operating systems and hardware products, such as mobile devices
- Entering into new or unproven markets with which we have limited experience
- Managing new product and service strategies, including integrating our various security and storage technologies, management solutions, customer service, and support into unified enterprise security and storage solutions
- Addressing trade compliance issues affecting our ability to ship our products
- Developing or expanding efficient sales channels
- Obtaining sufficient licenses to technology and technical access from operating system software vendors on reasonable terms to enable the development and deployment of interoperable products, including source code licenses for certain products with deep technical integration into operating systems

If we are not successful in managing these risks and challenges, or if our new products, product upgrades, and services are not technologically competitive or do not achieve market acceptance, our business and operating results could be adversely affected.

We operate in a highly competitive environment, and our competitors may gain market share in the markets for our products that could adversely affect our business and cause our revenues to decline.

We operate in intensely competitive markets that experience rapid technological developments, changes in industry standards, changes in customer requirements, and frequent new product introductions and improvements. If we are unable to anticipate or react to these competitive challenges or if existing or new competitors gain market share in any of our markets, our competitive position could weaken and we could experience a decline in our sales that could adversely affect our business and operating results. To compete successfully, we must maintain an innovative research and development effort to develop new products and services and enhance existing products and services, effectively adapt to changes in the technology or product rights held by our competitors, appropriately respond to competitive strategies, and effectively adapt to technological changes and changes in the ways that our information is accessed, used, and stored within our enterprise and consumer markets. If we are unsuccessful in responding to our competitors or to changing technological and customer demands, our competitive position and our financial results could be adversely affected.

Our competitors include software vendors that offer software products that directly compete with our product offerings. In addition to competing with these vendors directly for sales to end-users of our products, we compete with them for the opportunity to have our products bundled with the product offerings of our strategic partners such as computer hardware OEMs and ISPs. Our competitors could gain market share from us if any of these strategic partners replace our products with the products of our competitors or if these partners more actively promote our competitors' products than our products. In addition, software vendors who have bundled our products with theirs may choose to bundle their software with their own or other vendors' software or may limit our access to standard product interfaces and inhibit our ability to develop products for their platform. In the future, further product development by these vendors could cause our software applications and services to become redundant, which could significantly impact our sales and financial results.

We face growing competition from network equipment, computer hardware manufacturers, large operating system providers and other technology companies. These firms are increasingly developing and incorporating into their products data protection and storage and server management software that competes at some levels with our product offerings. Our competitive position could be adversely affected to the extent that our customers perceive the functionality incorporated into these products as replacing the need for our products.

Security protection is also offered by some of our competitors at prices lower than our prices or, in some cases is offered free of charge. Some companies offer the lower-priced or free security products within their computer hardware or software products that we believe are inferior to our products and SaaS offerings. Our competitive position could be adversely affected to the extent that our customers perceive these security products as replacing the need for more effective, full featured products and services such as those that we provide. The expansion of these competitive trends could have a significant negative impact on our sales and financial results by causing, among other things, price reductions of our products, reduced profitability and loss of market share.

Many of our competitors have greater financial, technical, sales, marketing, or other resources than we do and consequently may have the ability to influence customers to purchase their products instead of ours. Further consolidation within our industry or other changes in the competitive environment, such as Intel Corporation's acquisition of McAfee, could result in larger competitors that compete with us on several levels. We also face competition from many smaller companies that specialize in particular segments of the markets in which we compete.

Our business models present execution and competitive risks.

In recent years, our SaaS offerings have become increasingly critical in our business. Our competitors are rapidly developing and deploying SaaS offerings for consumers and business customers. Pricing and delivery models are evolving. Devices and form factors influence how users access services in the cloud. We are devoting significant resources to develop and deploy our own SaaS strategies. We cannot assure you that our investments in and development of SaaS offerings will achieve the expected returns for us or that we will be able to compete successfully in the marketplace. In addition to software development costs, we are incurring costs to build and maintain infrastructure to support SaaS offerings. These costs may reduce the operating margins we have previously achieved. Whether we are successful in this business model depends on our execution in a number of areas, including:

- Continuing to innovate and bring to market compelling cloud-based experiences that generate increasing traffic and market share; and
- Ensuring that our SaaS offerings meet the reliability expectations of our customers and maintain the security of their data.

Our business depends on customers renewing their arrangements for maintenance, subscriptions, managed security services and SaaS offerings.

A large portion of our revenue is derived from arrangements for maintenance, subscriptions, managed security services and SaaS offerings, yet existing customers have no contractual obligation to purchase additional solutions after the initial subscription or contract period, and given our limited operating history, we are unable to accurately predict our customer renewal rates. Our customers' renewal rates may decline or fluctuate as a result of a number of factors, including the level of their satisfaction with our solutions or our customer support, customer budgets and the pricing of our solutions compared with the solutions offered by our competitors, any of which may cause our revenue to grow more slowly than expected, if at all. Accordingly, we must invest significant time and resources in providing ongoing value to our customers. If these efforts fail, or if our customers do not renew for other reasons, or if they renew on terms less favorable to us, our revenue may decline and our business will suffer.

Our increasing focus on the delivery of products in an appliance form factor creates new business and financial risks.

Since fiscal 2012, shipments of products to customers in an appliance form factor have represented an increasingly larger part of our revenues, and we expect this trend to continue. The delivery of solutions in the form of appliances creates business and financial risks, including the following:

- increased cost of components and contract manufacturing, as we do not own our manufacturing facilities;
- supply chain issues, including financial problems of contract manufacturers or component suppliers;
- a shortage of adequate component supply or manufacturing capacity that increases our costs and/or causes a delay in order fulfillment;
- excess inventory levels, which could lead to write-downs or obsolescence charges;
- additional reserves for product returns;
- challenges in managing our channel business;
- tax and trade compliance complications; and
- local field support of customers' appliances.

Defects, disruptions or risks related to the provision of our SaaS offerings could impair our ability to deliver our services and could expose us to liability, damage our brand and reputation or otherwise negatively impact our business.

Our SaaS offerings may contain errors or defects that users identify after they begin using them that could result in unanticipated service interruptions, which could harm our reputation and our business. Since our customers use our SaaS offerings for mission-critical protection from threats to electronic information, endpoint devices, and computer networks, any errors, defects, disruptions in service or other performance problems with our SaaS offerings could significantly harm our reputation and may damage our customers' businesses. If that occurs, customers could elect not to renew, or delay or withhold payment to us, we could lose future sales or customers may make warranty or other claims against us, which could result in an increase in our provision for doubtful accounts, an increase in collection cycles for accounts receivable or the expense and risk of litigation.

We currently serve our SaaS-based customers from hosting facilities located across the globe. Damage to, or failure of, any significant element of these hosting facilities could result in interruptions in our service, which could harm our customers and expose us to liability. Interruptions or failures in our service delivery could cause customers to terminate their subscriptions with us, could adversely affect our renewal rates, and could harm our ability to attract new customers. Our business would also be harmed if our customers believe that our SaaS offerings are unreliable.

Our SaaS offerings also involve the storage and transmission of large amounts of our customers' proprietary information, including sensitive and personally identifiable information. Breaches of our security measures or the accidental loss, inadvertent disclosure or unapproved dissemination of proprietary information or sensitive or confidential data about us or our customers, including the potential loss or disclosure of such information or data as a result of fraud or other forms of deception, could expose us, our customers or the individuals affected to a risk of loss or misuse of this information, result in litigation and potential liability for us, damage our brand and reputation or otherwise negatively impact our business. Despite our precautions and significant ongoing investments to protect against such breaches, our security measures could be breached at any time and could result in unauthorized third parties obtaining access to our, or our customers' data. Any actual or perceived security vulnerabilities in our SaaS offerings could reduce sales, and constrain consumer and business customer adoption of our SaaS offering. In addition, the cost and operational consequences of implementing further security measures could be significant.

If we fail to manage our sales and distribution channels effectively or if our partners choose not to market and sell our products to their customers, our operating results could be adversely affected.

We sell our products to customers around the world through multi-tiered sales and distribution networks. Sales through these different channels involve distinct risks, including the following:

Direct Sales. A significant portion of our revenues from enterprise products is derived from sales by our direct sales force to end-users. Special risks associated with direct sales include:

- Longer sales cycles associated with direct sales efforts
- Difficulty in hiring, retaining, and motivating our direct sales force, particularly through periods of transition in our organization
- Substantial amounts of training for sales representatives to become productive in selling our products and services, including regular updates to cover new and revised products, and associated delays and difficulties in recognizing the expected benefits of investments in new products and updates

Indirect Sales Channels. A significant portion of our revenues is derived from sales through indirect channels, including distributors that sell our products to end-users and other resellers. This channel involves a number of risks, including:

- Our lack of control over the timing of delivery of our products to end-users
- Our resellers and distributors are generally not subject to minimum sales requirements or any obligation to market our products to their customers
- Our reseller and distributor agreements are generally nonexclusive and may be terminated at any time without cause
- Our resellers and distributors frequently market and distribute competing products and may, from time to time, place greater emphasis on the sale of these products due to pricing, promotions, and other terms offered by our competitors
- The consolidation of electronics retailers has increased their negotiating power with respect to hardware and software providers such as us

OEM Sales Channels. A portion of our revenues is derived from sales through our OEM partners that incorporate our products into, or bundle our products with, their products. Our reliance on this sales channel involves many risks, including:

- Our lack of control over the volume of systems shipped and the timing of such shipments
- Our OEM partners are generally not subject to minimum sales requirements or any obligation to market our products to their customers
- Our OEM partners may terminate or renegotiate their arrangements with us and new terms may be less favorable due to competitive conditions in our markets and other factors
- Sales through our OEM partners are subject to changes in general economic conditions, strategic direction, competitive risks, and other issues that could result in a reduction of OEM sales
- The development work that we must generally undertake under our agreements with our OEM partners may require us to invest significant resources and incur significant costs with little or no assurance of ever receiving associated revenues
- The time and expense required for the sales and marketing organizations of our OEM partners to become familiar with our products may make it more difficult to introduce those products to the market
- Our OEM partners may develop, market, and distribute their own products and market and distribute products of our competitors, which could reduce our sales

If we fail to manage our sales and distribution channels successfully, these channels may conflict with one another or otherwise fail to perform as we anticipate, which could reduce our sales and increase our expenses as well as weaken our competitive position. Some of our distribution partners have experienced financial difficulties in the past, and if our partners suffer financial difficulties in the future because of general economic conditions or for other reasons, these partners may delay paying their obligations to us and we may have reduced sales or increased bad debt expense that could adversely affect our operating results. In addition, reliance on multiple channels subjects us to events that could cause unpredictability in demand, which could increase the risk that we may be unable to plan effectively for the future, and could result in adverse operating results in future periods.

Over the long term we intend to invest in research and development activities, and these investments may achieve delayed, or lower than expected, benefits which could harm our operating results.

While we intend to focus on managing our costs and expenses, over the long term, we also intend to invest in research and development activities as we focus on organic growth through internal innovation. We are likely to recognize the costs associated with these investments earlier than some of the anticipated benefits, and the return on these investments may be lower, or may develop more slowly, than we expect. If we do not achieve the benefits anticipated from these investments, or if the achievement of these benefits is delayed, our operating results may be adversely affected.

Changes in industry structure and market conditions could lead to charges related to discontinuances of certain of our products or businesses and asset impairments.

In response to changes in industry and market conditions, we may be required to strategically reallocate our resources and consider restructuring, disposing of, or otherwise exiting businesses. Any decision to limit investment in or dispose of or otherwise exit businesses may result in the recording of special charges, such as inventory and technology-related write-offs, workforce reduction costs, charges relating to consolidation of excess facilities, or claims from third parties who were resellers or users of discontinued products. Our estimates with respect to the useful life or ultimate recoverability of our carrying basis of assets, including purchased intangible assets, could change as a result of such assessments and decisions. Although in certain instances, our supply agreements allow us the option to cancel, reschedule, and adjust our requirements based on our business needs prior to firm orders being placed, our loss contingencies may include liabilities for contracts that we cannot cancel, reschedule or adjust with contract manufacturers and suppliers. Further, our estimates relating to the liabilities for excess facilities are affected by changes in real estate market conditions. Additionally, we are required to evaluate goodwill impairment on an annual basis and between annual evaluations in certain circumstances, and future goodwill impairment evaluations may result in a charge to earnings.

Our inability to successfully recover from a disaster or other business continuity event could impair our ability to deliver our products and services and harm our business.

We are heavily reliant on our technology and infrastructure to provide our products and services to our customers. For example, we host many of our products using third-party data center facilities and we do not control the operation of these facilities. These facilities are vulnerable to damage, interruption or performance problems from earthquakes, hurricanes, floods, fires, power loss, telecommunications failures and similar events. They are also subject to break-ins, computer viruses, sabotage, intentional acts of vandalism and other misconduct. The occurrence of a natural disaster or an act of terrorism, a decision to close the facilities without adequate notice or other unanticipated problems could result in lengthy interruptions in the delivery of our products and services.

Furthermore, our business administration, human resources and finance services depend on the proper functioning of our computer, telecommunication and other related systems and operations. A disruption or failure of these systems or operations because of a disaster or other business continuity event could cause data to be lost or otherwise delay our ability to complete sales and provide the highest level of service to our customers. In addition we could have difficulty producing accurate financial statements on a timely basis which could affect the trading value of our stock. Although we endeavor to ensure there is redundancy in these systems and that they are regularly backed-up, there are no assurances that data recovery in the event of a disaster would be effective or occur in an efficient manner.

Any errors, defects, disruptions or other performance problems with our products and services could harm our reputation and may damage our customers' businesses. For example, we may experience disruptions, outages and other performance problems due to a variety of factors, including infrastructure changes, human or software errors, capacity constraints due to an overwhelming number of users accessing our website simultaneous, fraud or security attacks. In some instances, we may not be able to identify the cause or causes of these performance problems within an acceptable period of time. Interruptions in our products and services could impact our revenues or cause customers to cease doing business with us. In addition, our business would be harmed if any of events of this nature caused our customers and potential customers to believe our services are unreliable. Our operations are dependent upon our ability to protect our technology infrastructure against damage from business continuity events that could have a significant disruptive effect on our operations. We could potentially lose customer data or experience material adverse interruptions to our operations or delivery of services to our clients in a disaster recovery scenario.

We are currently planning and designing information systems enhancements, and problems with the design or implementation of these enhancements could interfere with our business and operations.

We are currently in the process of significantly enhancing our information systems, including planning and designing a new enterprise resource planning system. The implementation of significant enhancements to information systems is frequently disruptive to the underlying business of an enterprise, which may especially be the case for us due to the size and complexity of our businesses. Any disruptions relating to our systems enhancements, particularly any disruptions impacting our operations during the design or implementation periods, could adversely affect our ability to process customer orders, ship products, provide services and support to our customers, bill and track our customers, fulfill contractual obligations, and otherwise run our business. Even if we do not encounter these adverse effects, the planning, designing and implementation may be much more costly than we anticipated. If we are unable to successfully plan, design or implement the information systems enhancements as planned, our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows could be negatively impacted.

We have grown, and may continue to grow, through acquisitions, which gives rise to risks and challenges that could adversely affect our future financial results.

We have in the past acquired, and we expect to acquire in the future, other businesses, business units, and technologies. Acquisitions can involve a number of special risks and challenges, including:

- Complexity, time, and costs associated with the integration of acquired business operations, workforce, products, and technologies
- Diversion of management time and attention
- Loss or termination of employees, including costs associated with the termination or replacement of those employees
- Assumption of liabilities of the acquired business, including litigation related to the acquired business
- The addition of acquisition-related debt as well as increased expenses and working capital requirements
- Dilution of stock ownership of existing stockholders
- Substantial accounting charges for restructuring and related expenses, write-off of in-process research and development, impairment of goodwill, amortization of intangible assets, and stock-based compensation expense

If integration of our acquired businesses is not successful, we may not realize the potential benefits of an acquisition or suffer other adverse effects. To integrate acquired businesses, we must implement our technology systems in the acquired operations and integrate and manage the personnel of the acquired operations. We also must effectively integrate the different cultures of acquired business organizations into our own in a way that aligns various interests, and may need to enter new markets in which we have no or limited experience and where competitors in such markets have stronger market positions.

Any of the foregoing, and other factors, could harm our ability to achieve anticipated levels of profitability from our acquired businesses or to realize other anticipated benefits of acquisitions.

Our international operations involve risks that could increase our expenses, adversely affect our operating results, and require increased time and attention of our management.

We derive a substantial portion of our revenues from customers located outside of the U.S. and we have significant operations outside of the U.S., including engineering, sales, customer support, and production. We plan to expand our international operations, but such expansion is contingent upon our identification of growth opportunities. Our international operations are subject to risks in addition to those faced by our domestic operations, including:

- Potential loss of proprietary information due to misappropriation or laws that may be less protective of our intellectual property rights than U.S. laws or that may not be adequately enforced

- Requirements of foreign laws and other governmental controls, including trade and labor restrictions and related laws that reduce the flexibility of our business operations
- Regulations or restrictions on the use, import, or export of encryption technologies that could delay or prevent the acceptance and use of encryption products and public networks for secure communications
- Local business and cultural factors that differ from our normal standards and practices, including business practices that we are prohibited from engaging in by the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and other anti-corruption laws and regulations
- Central bank and other restrictions on our ability to repatriate cash from our international subsidiaries or to exchange cash in international subsidiaries into cash available for use in the U.S.
- Fluctuations in currency exchange rates, economic instability and inflationary conditions could reduce our customers' ability to obtain financing for software products or that could make our products more expensive or could increase our costs of doing business in certain countries
- Limitations on future growth or inability to maintain current levels of revenues from international sales if we do not invest sufficiently in our international operations
- Longer payment cycles for sales in foreign countries and difficulties in collecting accounts receivable
- Difficulties in staffing, managing, and operating our international operations, including difficulties related to administering our stock plans in some foreign countries
- Difficulties in coordinating the activities of our geographically dispersed and culturally diverse operations
- Seasonal reductions in business activity in the summer months in Europe and in other periods in other countries
- Costs and delays associated with developing software and providing support in multiple languages
- Political unrest, war, or terrorism, or regional natural disasters, particularly in areas in which we have facilities

A significant portion of our transactions outside of the U.S. are denominated in foreign currencies. Accordingly, our revenues and expenses will continue to be subject to fluctuations in foreign currency rates. We expect to be affected by fluctuations in foreign currency rates in the future, especially if international sales continue to grow as a percentage of our total sales or our operations outside the United States continue to increase.

The level of corporate tax from sales to our non-U.S. customers is generally less than the level of tax from sales to our U.S. customers. This benefit is contingent upon existing tax regulations in the U.S. and in the countries in which our international operations are located. Future changes in domestic or international tax regulations could adversely affect our ability to continue to realize these tax benefits.

Our products are complex and operate in a wide variety of environments, systems, applications and configurations, which could result in errors or product failures.

Because we offer very complex products, undetected errors, failures, or bugs may occur, especially when products are first introduced or when new versions are released. Our products are often installed and used in large-scale computing environments with different operating systems, system management software, and equipment and networking configurations, which may cause errors or failures in our products or may expose undetected errors, failures, or bugs in our products. Our customers' computing environments are often characterized by a wide variety of standard and non-standard configurations that make pre-release testing for programming or compatibility errors very difficult and time-consuming. In addition, despite testing by us and others, errors, failures, or bugs may not be found in new products or releases until after commencement of commercial shipments. In the past, we have discovered software errors, failures, and bugs in certain of our product offerings after their introduction and, in some cases, have experienced delayed or lost revenues as a result of these errors.

Errors, failures, or bugs in products released by us could result in negative publicity, damage to our brand, product returns, loss of or delay in market acceptance of our products, loss of competitive position, or claims by

customers or others. Many of our end-user customers use our products in applications that are critical to their businesses and may have a greater sensitivity to defects in our products than to defects in other, less critical, software products. In addition, if an actual or perceived breach of information integrity or availability occurs in one of our end-user customer's systems, regardless of whether the breach is attributable to our products, the market perception of the effectiveness of our products could be harmed. Alleviating any of these problems could require significant expenditures of our capital and other resources and could cause interruptions, delays, or cessation of our product licensing, which could cause us to lose existing or potential customers and could adversely affect our operating results.

If we do not protect our proprietary information and prevent third parties from making unauthorized use of our products and technology, our financial results could be harmed.

Most of our software and underlying technology is proprietary. We seek to protect our proprietary rights through a combination of confidentiality agreements and procedures and through copyright, patent, trademark, and trade secret laws. However, all of these measures afford only limited protection and may be challenged, invalidated, or circumvented by third parties. Third parties may copy all or portions of our products or otherwise obtain, use, distribute, and sell our proprietary information without authorization.

Third parties may also develop similar or superior technology independently by designing around our patents. Our shrink-wrap license agreements are not signed by licensees and therefore may be unenforceable under the laws of some jurisdictions. Furthermore, the laws of some foreign countries do not offer the same level of protection of our proprietary rights as the laws of the U.S., and we may be subject to unauthorized use of our products in those countries. The unauthorized copying or use of our products or proprietary information could result in reduced sales of our products. Any legal action to protect proprietary information that we may bring or be engaged in with a strategic partner or vendor could adversely affect our ability to access software, operating system, and hardware platforms of such partner or vendor, or cause such partner or vendor to choose not to offer our products to their customers. In addition, any legal action to protect proprietary information that we may bring or be engaged in, alone or through our alliances with the Business Software Alliance ("BSA"), or the Software & Information Industry Association ("SIIA"), could be costly, may distract management from day-to-day operations, and may lead to additional claims against us, which could adversely affect our operating results.

From time to time we are a party to class action and other lawsuits and investigations, which typically require significant management time and attention and result in significant legal expenses, and which could, if not determined favorably, negatively impact our business, financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows.

We have been named as a party to class action lawsuits, and we may be named in additional litigation. For example, during the first quarter of fiscal 2013, we were advised by the Commercial Litigation Branch of the Department of Justice's Civil Division and the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia that the government is investigating our compliance with certain provisions of our U.S. General Services Administration Multiple Award Schedule Contract No. GS-35F-0240T effective January 24, 2007, including provisions relating to pricing, country of origin, accessibility, and the disclosure of commercial sales practices. The expense of defending such litigation may be costly and divert management's attention from the day-to-day operations of our business, which could adversely affect our business, results of operations, and cash flows. In addition, an unfavorable outcome in such litigation could result in significant fines, settlements, monetary damages or injunctive relief that could negatively impact our ability to conduct our business, results of operations, and cash flows.

Third parties claiming that we infringe their proprietary rights could cause us to incur significant legal expenses and prevent us from selling our products.

From time to time, we receive claims that we have infringed the intellectual property rights of others, including claims regarding patents, copyrights, and trademarks. Because of constant technological change in the segments

in which we compete, the extensive patent coverage of existing technologies, and the rapid rate of issuance of new patents, it is possible that the number of these claims may grow. In addition, former employers of our former, current, or future employees may assert claims that such employees have improperly disclosed to us the confidential or proprietary information of these former employers. Any such claim, with or without merit, could result in costly litigation and distract management from day-to-day operations. If we are not successful in defending such claims, we could be required to stop selling, delay shipments of, or redesign our products, pay monetary amounts as damages, enter into royalty or licensing arrangements, or satisfy indemnification obligations that we have with some of our customers. We cannot assure you that any royalty or licensing arrangements that we may seek in such circumstances will be available to us on commercially reasonable terms or at all. We have made and expect to continue making significant expenditures to investigate, defend and settle claims related to the use of technology and intellectual property rights as part of our strategy to manage this risk.

In addition, we license and use software from third parties in our business. These third party software licenses may not continue to be available to us on acceptable terms or at all, and may expose us to additional liability. This liability, or our inability to use any of this third party software, could result in shipment delays or other disruptions in our business that could materially and adversely affect our operating results.

Fluctuations in our quarterly financial results have affected the price of our common stock in the past and could affect our stock price in the future.

Our quarterly financial results have fluctuated in the past and are likely to vary significantly in the future due to a number of factors, many of which are outside of our control and which could adversely affect our operations and operating results. If our quarterly financial results or our predictions of future financial results fail to meet our expectations or the expectations of securities analysts and investors, our stock price could be negatively affected. Any volatility in our quarterly financial results may make it more difficult for us to raise capital in the future or pursue acquisitions that involve issuances of our stock. Our operating results for prior periods may not be effective predictors of our future performance.

Factors associated with our industry, the operation of our business, and the markets for our products may cause our quarterly financial results to fluctuate, including:

- Reduced demand for any of our products
- Customer renewal rates
- Entry of new competition into our markets
- Competitive pricing pressure for one or more of our classes of products
- Our ability to timely complete the release of new or enhanced versions of our products
- How well we execute our strategy and operating plans and the impact of changes in our business model that could result in significant restructuring charges
- Fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates
- The number, severity, and timing of threat outbreaks (e.g. worms and viruses)
- Our resellers making a substantial portion of their purchases near the end of each quarter
- Enterprise customers' tendency to negotiate site licenses near the end of each quarter
- Cancellation, deferral, or limitation of orders by customers
- Changes in the mix or type of products sold
- Movements in interest rates
- The rate of adoption of new product technologies and new releases of operating systems
- Weakness or uncertainty in general economic or industry conditions in any of the multiple markets in which we operate that could reduce customer demand and ability to pay for our products and services
- Political and military instability, which could slow spending within our target markets, delay sales cycles, and otherwise adversely affect our ability to generate revenues and operate effectively
- Budgetary constraints of customers, which are influenced by corporate earnings and government budget cycles and spending objectives

- Disruptions in our business operations or target markets caused by, among other things, earthquakes, floods, or other natural disasters affecting our headquarters located in Silicon Valley, California, an area known for seismic activity, or our other locations worldwide
- Acts of war or terrorism
- Intentional disruptions by third parties
- Health or similar issues, such as a pandemic

Any of the foregoing factors could cause the trading price of our common stock to fluctuate significantly.

Adverse global economic events may harm our business, operating results and financial condition.

Adverse macroeconomic conditions could negatively affect our business, operating results or financial condition under a number of different scenarios. During challenging economic times and periods of high unemployment, current or potential customers may delay or forgo decisions to license new products or additional instances of existing products, upgrade their existing hardware or operating environments (which upgrades are often a catalyst for new purchases of our software), or purchase services. Customers may also have difficulties in obtaining the requisite third-party financing to complete the purchase of our products and services. An adverse macroeconomic environment could also subject us to increased credit risk should customers be unable to pay us, or delay paying us, for previously purchased products and services. Accordingly, reserves for doubtful accounts and write-offs of accounts receivable may increase. In addition, weakness in the market for end users of our products could harm the cash flow of our distributors and resellers who could then delay paying their obligations to us or experience other financial difficulties. This would further increase our credit risk exposure and, potentially, cause delays in our recognition of revenue on sales to these customers.

In addition, the onset or continuation of adverse economic conditions may make it more difficult to obtain financing for our operations, investing activities (including potential acquisitions) or financing activities. Specific economic trends, such as declines in the demand for PCs, servers, and other computing devices, or softness in corporate information technology spending, could have an even more direct, and harmful, impact on our business.

Our financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected if we do not effectively manage our liabilities.

As a result of the sale of our 2.75% senior notes (“2.75% notes due 2015”) and 4.20% senior notes (“4.20% notes”) in September 2010, and 2.75% senior notes (“2.75 notes due 2017”) and 3.95% senior notes (“3.95% notes”) in June 2012, we have notes outstanding in an aggregate principal amount of \$2.1 billion that mature at specific dates in calendar years 2015, 2017, 2020, and 2022. In addition, we have entered into a credit facility with a borrowing capacity of \$1 billion. From time to time in the future, we may also incur indebtedness in addition to the amount available under our credit facility. The maintenance of our debt levels could adversely affect our flexibility to take advantage of certain corporate opportunities and could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. We may be required to use all or a substantial portion of our cash balance to repay these notes on maturity unless we can obtain new financing.

Our software products, SaaS Offerings and website may be subject to intentional disruption that could adversely impact our reputation and future sales.

Despite our precautions and significant ongoing investments to protect against security risks, data protection breaches, cyber-attacks and other intentional disruptions of our products and offerings, we expect to be an ongoing target of attacks specifically designed to impede the performance of our products and offerings and harm our reputation as a company. Similarly, experienced computer programmers may attempt to penetrate our network security or the security of our website and misappropriate proprietary information or cause interruptions of our services. Because the techniques used by such computer programmers to access or sabotage networks

change frequently and may not be recognized until launched against a target, we may be unable to anticipate these techniques. The theft or unauthorized use or publication of our trade secrets and other confidential business information as a result of such an event could adversely affect our competitive position, reputation, brand and future sales of our products, and our customers may assert claims against us related to resulting losses of confidential or proprietary information. Our business could be subject to significant disruption, and we could suffer monetary and other losses and reputational harm, in the event of such incidents and claims.

Some of our products contain “open source” software, and any failure to comply with the terms of one or more of these open source licenses could negatively affect our business.

Certain of our products are distributed with software licensed by its authors or other third parties under so-called “open source” licenses, which may include, by way of example, the GNU General Public License, GNU Lesser General Public License, the Mozilla Public License, the BSD License, and the Apache License. Some of these licenses contain requirements that we make available source code for modifications or derivative works we create based upon the open source software, and that we license such modifications or derivative works under the terms of a particular open source license or other license granting third parties certain rights of further use. By the terms of certain open source licenses, we could be required to release the source code of our proprietary software if we combine our proprietary software with open source software in a certain manner. In addition to risks related to license requirements, usage of open source software can lead to greater risks than use of third party commercial software, as open source licensors generally do not provide warranties or controls on origin of the software. We have established processes to help alleviate these risks, including a review process for screening requests from our development organizations for the use of open source, but we cannot be sure that all open source is submitted for approval prior to use in our products. In addition, many of the risks associated with usage of open source cannot be eliminated, and could, if not properly addressed, negatively affect our business.

If we are unable to adequately address increased customer demands on our technical support services, our relationships with our customers and our financial results may be adversely affected.

We offer technical support services with many of our products. We may be unable to respond quickly enough to accommodate short-term increases in customer demand for support services. We also may be unable to modify the format of our support services to compete with changes in support services provided by competitors or successfully integrate support for our customers. Further customer demand for these services, without corresponding revenues, could increase costs and adversely affect our operating results.

We have outsourced a substantial portion of our worldwide consumer support functions to third party service providers. If these companies experience financial difficulties, do not maintain sufficiently skilled workers and resources to satisfy our contracts, or otherwise fail to perform at a sufficient level under these contracts, the level of support services to our customers may be significantly disrupted, which could materially harm our relationships with these customers.

We sell products to the U.S. government under contracts that include special compliance obligations and subject us to audits and reviews by various agencies of the U.S. government. Any failure to meet these obligations, or an adverse outcome in an audit or investigation, could result in civil damages and/or penalties being assessed against us by the government.

We have sold products through our GSA Schedule contract. Our GSA Schedule contract contains provisions that require us to provide customers purchasing through that contract with negotiated favorable pricing as compared to certain non-federal customers, and requires us to monitor aspects of our commercial sales practices to ensure compliance with that pricing obligation. In the ordinary course of business, sales under our GSA Schedule contract may be subject to audit or investigation by the U.S. government. Noncompliance with the provisions of the contract identified as a result of such reviews (as well as noncompliance identified on our own) could subject us to damages and other penalties, which would adversely affect our operating results and financial condition.

On June 4, 2012, we were advised by the Commercial Litigation Branch of the Department of Justice's Civil Division and the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia that the government is investigating our compliance with certain provisions of our GSA Schedule contract, including provisions relating to pricing, country of origin, accessibility, and the disclosure of commercial sales practices. The Department of Justice has requested that we preserve, among other things, all records relating to GSA Schedule contracting activity. As reported on the GSA's publicly-available database, our total sales under the GSA Schedule contract were approximately \$222 million from the period beginning January 2007 and ending September 2012.

We are cooperating with the investigation and we are unable, at this time, to predict the likely outcome. It is possible that the investigation could lead to claims or findings of violations of the False Claims Act in connection with our GSA contracting activity. Violations of the False Claims Act could result in the imposition of damages, including up to treble damages, plus civil penalties in some cases. To the extent the investigation leads to any such claims or findings, the cost to resolve this matter would adversely affect our operating results and financial condition. Any negative publicity related to our government customer contracts or any proceedings surrounding them, regardless of the outcome of this matter, may also damage our business by affecting our ability to compete for new contracts.

Accounting charges may cause fluctuations in our quarterly financial results.

Our financial results have been in the past, and may continue to be in the future, materially affected by non-cash and other accounting charges, including:

- Amortization of intangible assets
- Impairment of goodwill and other long-lived assets
- Stock-based compensation expense
- Restructuring charges
- Loss on sale of a business and similar write-downs of assets held for sale

Our effective tax rate may increase, which could increase our income tax expense and reduce (increase) our net income (loss).

Our effective tax rate could be adversely affected by several factors, many of which are outside of our control, including:

- Changes in the relative proportions of revenues and income before taxes in the various jurisdictions in which we operate that have differing statutory tax rates
- Changing tax laws, regulations, and interpretations in multiple jurisdictions in which we operate, including possible corporate tax reform in the United States, and proposed actions by international bodies such as the OECD, as well as the requirements of certain tax rulings
- The tax effects of purchase accounting for acquisitions and restructuring charges that may cause fluctuations between reporting periods
- Tax assessments, or any related tax interest or penalties that could significantly affect our income tax expense for the period in which the settlements take place

The price of our common stock could decline if our financial results are materially affected by an adverse change in our effective tax rate.

We report our results of operations based on our determination of the aggregate amount of taxes owed in the tax jurisdictions in which we operate. From time to time, we receive notices that a tax authority in a particular jurisdiction believes that we owe a greater amount of tax than we have reported to such authority. We are regularly engaged in discussions and sometimes disputes with these tax authorities. We are engaged in disputes of this nature at this time. If the ultimate determination of our taxes owed in any of these jurisdictions is for an

amount in excess of the tax provision we have recorded or reserved for, our operating results, cash flows, and financial condition could be adversely affected.

Our stock price may be volatile in the future, and you could lose the value of your investment.

The market price of our common stock has experienced significant fluctuations in the past and may continue to fluctuate in the future, and as a result you could lose the value of your investment. The market price of our common stock may be affected by a number of factors, including:

- Announcements of quarterly operating results and revenue and earnings forecasts by us that fail to meet or be consistent with our earlier projections or the expectations of our investors or securities analysts
- Announcements by either our competitors or customers that fail to meet or be consistent with their earlier projections or the expectations of our investors or securities analysts
- Rumors, announcements, or press articles regarding our or our competitors' operations, management, organization, financial condition, or financial statements
- Changes in revenue and earnings estimates by us, our investors, or securities analysts
- Accounting charges, including charges relating to the impairment of goodwill
- Announcements of planned acquisitions or dispositions by us or by our competitors
- Announcements of new or planned products by us, our competitors, or our customers
- Gain or loss of a significant customer, partner, reseller or distributor
- Inquiries by the SEC, NASDAQ, law enforcement, or other regulatory bodies
- Acts of terrorism, the threat of war, and other crises or emergency situations
- Economic slowdowns or the perception of an oncoming economic slowdown in any of the major markets in which we operate

The stock market in general, and the market prices of stocks of technology companies in particular, have experienced extreme price volatility that has adversely affected, and may continue to adversely affect, the market price of our common stock for reasons unrelated to our business or operating results.

Unforeseen catastrophic or other global events could harm our operating results and financial condition

We are a global company and conduct our business inside and outside the United States. Our business operations and financial results could be adversely impacted by unforeseen catastrophic or other global events, including an epidemic or a pandemic, acts of war or terrorist attacks, cyber-attacks, natural disasters, or political unrest or turmoil. Unforeseen political turmoil, military escalations, and armed conflict pose a risk of economic disruption in the countries in which they occur and in other countries, which may increase our operating costs. Such incidences of uncertainty could disrupt customers' spending on our products and services which may adversely affect our revenue. In addition, our corporate headquarters are located in the Silicon Valley area of Northern California, a region known for seismic activity. A significant natural disaster, such as an earthquake, could have a material adverse impact on our business operations, target markets, operating results, and financial condition.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

There are currently no unresolved issues with respect to any Commission staff's written comments that were received at least 180 days before the end of our fiscal year to which this report relates and that relate to our periodic or current reports under the Exchange Act.

Item 2. Properties

Our properties consist primarily of owned and leased office facilities for sales, research and development, administrative, customer service, and technical support personnel. Our corporate headquarters is located in Mountain View, California where we occupy facilities totaling approximately 1,067,000 square feet, of which

724,000 square feet is owned and 343,000 square feet is leased. We also lease an additional 89,000 square feet in the San Francisco Bay Area. Our leased facilities are occupied under leases that expire on various dates beyond fiscal 2023. The following table presents the approximate square footage of our facilities as of March 28, 2014:

	Approximate Total Square Footage⁽¹⁾	
	Owned	Leased
	(In thousands)	
Americas (U.S., Canada and Latin America)	1,546	1,335
EMEA (Europe, Middle East, Africa)	307	550
Asia Pacific/Japan	<u>251</u>	<u>1,986</u>
Total	<u><u>2,104</u></u>	<u><u>3,871</u></u>

⁽¹⁾ Included in the total square footage above are vacant, available-for-lease properties totaling approximately 33,000 square feet. Total square footage excludes approximately 35,000 square feet relating to facilities subleased to third parties.

We believe that our existing facilities are adequate for our current needs and that the productive capacity of our facilities is substantially utilized.

Item 3. *Legal Proceedings*

Information with respect to this Item may be found under the heading “Litigation Contingencies” in Note 8 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report which information is incorporated into this Item 3 by reference.

Item 4. *Mine Safety Disclosures*

Not applicable.

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Price Range of Common Stock

Our common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "SYMC." The high and low sales prices set forth below are as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market during each quarter of the two most recent years.

	Fiscal 2014				Fiscal 2013			
	Fourth Quarter	Third Quarter	Second Quarter	First Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Third Quarter	Second Quarter	First Quarter
High	\$ 23.97	\$ 25.06	\$ 26.44	\$ 24.45	\$ 24.73	\$ 19.09	\$ 19.20	\$ 18.80
Low	\$ 18.20	\$ 21.20	\$ 21.93	\$ 21.06	\$ 18.82	\$ 17.33	\$ 13.18	\$ 13.89

Stockholders

As of March 28, 2014, there were 2,098 stockholders of record.

Dividends

During fiscal 2014 we declared and paid common stock dividends of \$418 million or \$0.60 per share. Dividends declared and paid each quarter during fiscal 2014 were \$0.15 per share. No dividends and dividend equivalents were paid in any periods prior to fiscal 2014. Each quarterly dividend was recorded as a reduction to additional paid-in capital. In addition, our board of directors approved dividend equivalent rights entitling holders of restricted stock and performance-based stock to dividend equivalents to be paid in the form of cash upon vesting, for each share of the underlying units. On May 8, 2014, we announced a quarterly dividend in the amount of \$0.15 per share of common stock to be paid on June 25, 2014 to all stockholders of record as of June 10, 2014. All future dividends and dividend equivalents are subject to the approval of our board of directors.

Repurchases of our equity securities

Stock repurchases during the three months ended March 28, 2014 were as follows:

	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased Under Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
	(In millions, except per share data)			
December 28, 2013 to January 24, 2014	4	\$ 23.17	4	\$ 695
January 25, 2014 to February 21, 2014	2	\$ 22.14	2	\$ 658
February 22, 2014 to March 28, 2014	-	-	-	\$ 658
Total	6	\$ 22.85	6	

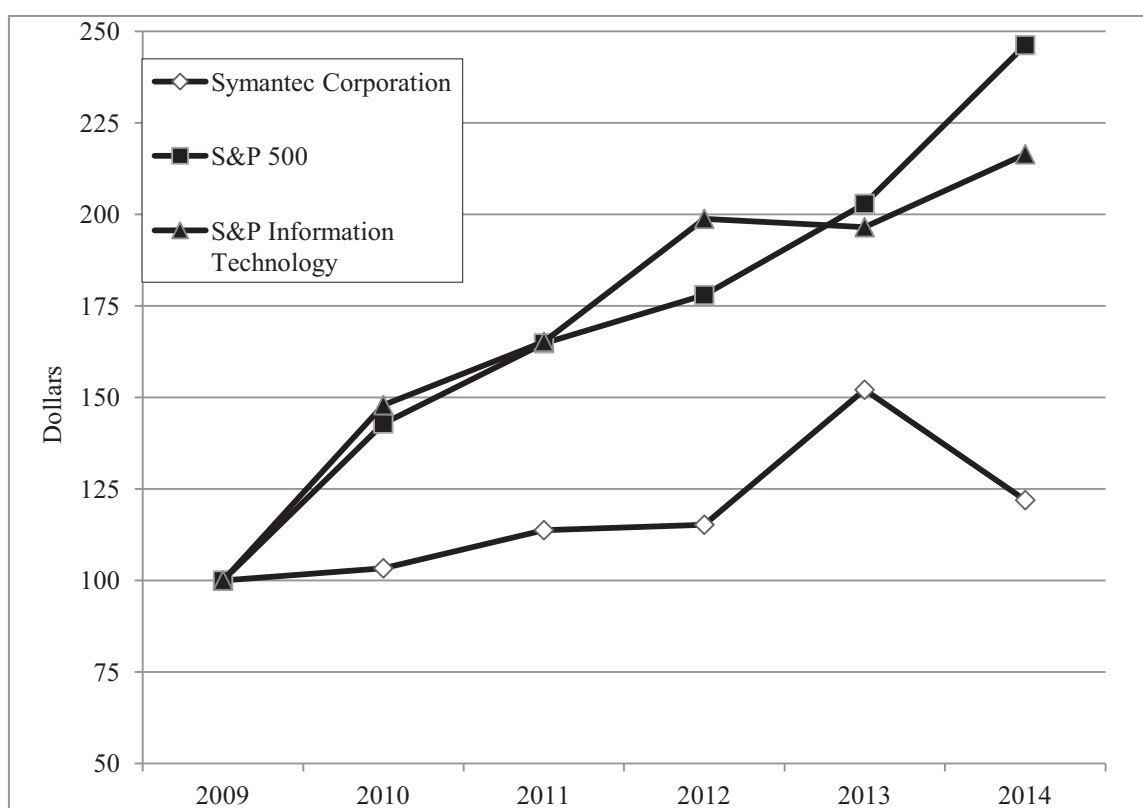
Through our stock repurchase programs we have repurchased shares on a quarterly basis since the fourth quarter of fiscal 2004. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, our board of directors authorized a new \$1.0 billion stock repurchase program which commenced in fiscal 2014. Our active stock repurchase programs have \$658 million remaining authorized for future repurchase as of March 28, 2014, and neither program has an expiration date.

Stock performance graph

This performance graph shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of Symantec under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

The graph below compares the cumulative total stockholder return on our common stock with the cumulative total return on the S&P 500 Composite Index and the S&P Information Technology Index for the five years ended March 28, 2014 (assuming the investment of \$100 in our common stock and in each of the other indices on the last day of trading for the fiscal 2009, and the reinvestment of all dividends). The comparisons in the graph below are based on historical data and are not intended to forecast the possible future performance of our common stock.

**COMPARISON OF FIVE-YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN
Among Symantec Corporation, The S&P 500 Index
And The S&P Information Technology Index**



	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Symantec Corporation	100.00	103.33	113.74	115.22	152.06	121.93
S&P 500	100.00	142.85	164.80	177.99	202.84	246.25
S&P Information Technology	100.00	147.92	165.20	198.77	196.53	216.41

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following selected consolidated financial data is derived from our Consolidated Financial Statements. This data should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes included in

this annual report and with Item 7, *Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations*. Historical results may not be indicative of future results.

Five-Year Summary

	Fiscal ^(a)				
	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
	(In millions, except per share data)				
Consolidated Statements of Income Data:					
Net revenue	\$ 6,676	\$ 6,906	\$ 6,730	\$ 6,190	\$ 5,985
Operating income ^(b)	1,183	1,106	1,104	927	927
Net income attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders ^{(b)(c)}	\$ 898	\$ 755	\$ 1,187	\$ 626	\$ 711
Net income per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — basic ^{(b)(c)}	\$ 1.29	\$ 1.08	\$ 1.60	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.88
Net income per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — diluted ^{(b)(c)}	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.06	\$ 1.59	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.87
Weighted-average shares outstanding attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — basic	696	701	741	778	810
Weighted-average shares outstanding attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — diluted	704	711	748	786	819
Cash dividends per share attributable to Symantec Corporation ^(g)	\$ 0.60	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,707	\$ 4,685	\$ 3,162	\$ 2,950	\$ 3,029
Total assets ^(b)	13,539	14,508	13,158	12,841	11,317
Deferred revenue	3,322	3,496	3,444	3,321	2,835
Current portion of long-term debt ^(d)	-	997	-	596	-
Long-term debt ^{(d)(e)}	2,095	2,094	2,039	1,987	1,871
Long-term deferred revenue ^(f)	581	584	596	565	436
Syantec Corporation stockholders' equity ^{(b)(f)(g)(h)}	\$ 5,797	\$ 5,476	\$ 5,159	\$ 4,558	\$ 4,567
Noncontrolling interest in subsidiary	-	-	78	77	-
Total stockholders' equity ^{(b)(f)(g)}	\$ 5,797	\$ 5,476	\$ 5,237	\$ 4,635	\$ 4,567

^(a) We have a 52/53-week fiscal year. Fiscal 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, and 2010 each consisted of 52 weeks.

^(b) Effective March 30, 2013, we changed our accounting policy for sales commissions that are incremental and directly related to customer sales contracts in which revenue is deferred. The adoption of this accounting policy change has been applied retrospectively for all periods presented. See Note 1 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report for information regarding the change in accounting policy for sales commissions.

^(c) In fiscal 2008, we formed a joint venture with a subsidiary of Huawei Technologies Co., Limited ("Huawei"). In fiscal 2012, we sold our 49% ownership interest in the joint venture to Huawei for \$530 million in cash. The gain of \$530 million, offset by costs to sell the joint venture of \$4 million, was included in gain from sale of joint venture in our fiscal 2012 Consolidated Statements of Income.

^(d) In the first quarter of fiscal 2007, we issued \$1.0 billion in principal amount of 1.00% Convertible Senior Notes ("1.00% notes"), due in June 2013. On June 15, 2013, the principal balance on those notes matured and was settled by a cash payment of \$1 billion, along with the \$5 million semi-annual interest payment. In addition, we elected to pay the conversion value above par value of the 1.00% notes in cash in the amount of

\$189 million. Concurrently with the payment of the conversion value we received \$189 million from the note hedge we entered into at the time of the issuance of the 1.00% notes. At the time of issuance of the 1.00% notes, we granted warrants to affiliates of certain initial purchasers of the notes whereby they had the option to purchase up to 52.7 million shares of our common stock at a price of \$27.1330 per share. All the warrants expired unexercised on various dates during the second quarter of fiscal 2014 and there was no dilutive impact from the warrants on our earnings per share for fiscal 2014.

- (e) In fiscal 2011, we issued \$350 million in principal amount of 2.75% senior notes due September 2015 (“2.75% notes due 2015”) and \$750 million in principal amount of 4.20% senior notes due September 2020 (“4.20% notes”). In fiscal 2013, we issued \$600 million in principal amount of 2.75% senior notes due June 2017 (“2.75% notes due 2017”) and \$400 million in principal amount of 3.95% senior notes due June 2022 (“3.95% notes”).
- (f) See Note 1 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report for information regarding the correction of an error related to deferred revenue. The out-of-period effect on net income of correcting this error in fiscal 2014 is \$22 million and the effect on Symantec Corporation stockholders’ equity as of the beginning of fiscal 2012 was \$49 million. Long-term deferred revenue and Total stockholders’ equity as of fiscal 2011 and 2010 have also been adjusted. However, income statement data for fiscal years 2011 and 2010 have not been adjusted as the impact on Net income in each of these years was not material.
- (g) During fiscal 2014, we declared and paid common stock cash dividends. Dividends were recorded as a reduction to additional paid-in capital. No dividends or dividend equivalents were paid prior to fiscal 2014. See Note 5 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report for information regarding dividends and dividend equivalents.
- (h) During fiscal 2012, we recorded an impairment of \$19 million as a cumulative-effect adjustment in accumulated deficit, related to an implied fair value measurement made for our former Services reporting unit upon the adoption of a new accounting standard.

Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

OVERVIEW

Our business

Symantec Corporation protects the world’s information and is a global leader in security, backup and availability solutions. Our market leading products and services protect people and information in any environment – from the smallest mobile device, to the enterprise data center, to cloud-based systems. Founded in April 1982, Symantec operates one of the largest global threat-intelligence networks, and provides leading security, backup and availability solutions. The company has more than 20,000 employees in more than 50 countries. Our Internet home page is www.symantec.com. Other than the information expressly set forth in this annual report, the information contained or referred to on our website is not part of this annual report.

Fiscal calendar

We have a 52/53-week fiscal year ending on the Friday closest to March 31. Unless otherwise stated, references to years in this report relate to fiscal year and periods ended March 28, 2014, March 29, 2013 and March 30, 2012. Fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012 each consisted of 52 weeks. Our 2015 fiscal year will consist of 53 weeks and will end on April 3, 2015.

Strategy

The recent transformation of business and consumer technologies has driven pervasive mobility and an explosion of data resulting in the need for a new approach to protecting devices, applications, data and users. Further, the emergence of the Internet of Things, where new devices and everyday objects are becoming networked and connected to the Internet for the first time, highlights the need for comprehensive information security and management solutions to protect valuable data. We believe that the market for security and management solutions will benefit from these trends. As a platform-independent software company without bias to any individual operating system or hardware environment, Symantec helps customers manage more technologies with greater efficiency and on a wide range of virtual and mobile platforms.

In January 2013, we announced our strategy to transition from being device-centric or protecting endpoints and the data center, to having a broader focus of protecting and managing digital information. We track a vast number of threat indicators across the Internet and continuously collect new telemetry from hundreds of millions of mobile devices, endpoints, and servers across the globe. This massive amount of security data, combined with our years of experience analyzing such data allows us to provide advanced intelligence and protection for all of our customers.

During fiscal year 2014, we implemented changes in three areas: simplifying our organizational structure, redesigning our GTM strategy, and changing our product offerings.

Simplifying our Organizational Structure

We aligned our organization by functional areas, rather than by market segments in order to reduce complexity, remove redundancies, increase the speed of decision making, and improve accountability and execution. We reduced the number of management layers from our previous structure and increased the average span of control for managers.

Redesigning our Go-To-Market Strategy

We split our direct field sales team into security and information management specialists focused on new business only and expanded their territories to be more effective for our enterprise customers. We also built a renewals group in order to extend the customer relationship and make it easier to renew and do business with us. We redesigned our global channel strategy focused on building partner competency, rewarding performance, and customer satisfaction.

Changing our Product Offerings

With a portfolio of leading products, we focused our development efforts on making our point solutions better, designing new integrated solutions, and expanding our offerings by partnering with network security vendors to offer solutions that provide multi-tier protection.

Financial Implications of New Strategy

We have developed a three-pronged approach to our product offering strategy which includes managing our portfolio of point solutions and reallocating resources to the offerings we estimate have the greatest growth potential, expanding our total addressable market by delivering innovative new offerings that integrate our technologies to solve our customers' most significant problems, and focusing on developing relationships with other industry leaders that will begin the process of building ecosystems that delivers more value to our customers.

We believe that sales and marketing of our innovative and differentiated products are enhanced by knowledgeable salespeople who can convey the strong value of our technology. As such, we restructured the

sales organization into new and renewals business teams. We also reorganized our direct sales force into functional areas of information security and information management. The focus of these specialized teams is to generate new business through new customer acquisition or through broadening existing customer relationships. We expect that by separating our direct sales force into specialized teams and focusing on new business, we will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our sales process. Concurrently, we created a dedicated renewals team that is focused on extending existing customer relationships and renewing contracts.

We are also investing in our indirect sales channels to build stronger, more strategic relationships that enable us to better serve consumers, small business and mid-market customers. Through our channel partner program we are seeking to align our offerings with the optimal route to market, leveraging our channel partner capabilities. We also plan to align the economics and incentives under these relationships based on the value created by the partner and their commitment to Symantec and our customers. We believe these changes will help us provide our end customer with high-quality sales and post-sales support experiences while expanding our business.

As part of our enhanced capital allocation strategy, in fiscal 2014 we initiated a quarterly cash dividend in addition to our on-going share repurchases activity. We paid a quarterly dividend in the amount of \$0.15 per share of common stock in each quarter of fiscal 2014, for an aggregate of \$418 million or \$0.60 per share, during fiscal 2014. All shares of common stock issued and outstanding, and unvested restricted stock and performance-based stock as of the record date for any dividend will be entitled to the dividend and dividend equivalents, respectively. Any future dividends and dividend equivalents will be subject to the approval of our board of directors.

Our revenue, income and cash flows may be impacted by severance, other charges, and capital expenditures as we execute our organic growth strategy.

New enterprise resource planning system

During the third quarter of fiscal 2014, following our final testing and data conversion stages, we implemented the critical financial reporting module of a new enterprise resource planning (“ERP”) system. The costs, other than capital expenditures, associated with this first phase of implementation of the core operating systems have been recorded in operating expenses as restructuring and transition expenses.

Change in management

On March 20, 2014, the board of directors of the Company appointed board member Michael A. Brown as interim president and CEO, following the termination of Stephen M. Bennett as the Company’s president and chief executive officer. Mr. Bennett also resigned from the Company’s board of directors. This change within our management leadership team resulted in certain severance and accelerated stock based compensation expenses.

Our operating segments

Our current operating segments are strategic business units that offer different products and services distinguished by customer needs. In the first quarter of fiscal 2014, we modified our segment reporting structure to more readily match the new operating structure. The three reporting segments, which are the same as our operating segments are as follows: User Productivity & Protection, Information Security, and Information Management. For further description of our operating segments see Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report.

Financial results and trends

Revenue decreased by \$230 million for fiscal 2014 as compared to fiscal 2013, primarily due to decreases in revenue from our User Productivity & Protection segment and Information Management segment following the transition of our sales force into new and renewal business teams. We experienced revenue declines domestically and internationally in fiscal 2014 as compared to fiscal 2013. The Asia Pacific and Japan region experienced the largest net revenue decrease followed by Americas, while the EMEA region experienced net revenue growth for fiscal 2014 as compared to fiscal 2013. The Asia Pacific and Japan region revenue declined primarily due to foreign currency translation adjustments resulting from the weakening of the Japanese yen compared to the U.S. dollar, while we experienced favorable foreign currency effects in the EMEA region.

Cost of revenue decreased by \$26 million for fiscal 2014 as compared to fiscal 2013, primarily due to decreases in revenue and decreases in intangible assets amortization as certain developed technologies became fully amortized early in fiscal 2014.

Operating expenses decreased by \$281 million for fiscal 2014 as compared to fiscal 2013, primarily due to lower salaries and wages resulting from lower headcount, lower advertising and promotion expenses and lower amortization of intangible assets as various customer relationship intangibles became fully amortized early in fiscal 2014. For fiscal 2014, we recognized \$270 million of restructuring and transition costs. We are focused on five priorities for fiscal 2015. These include optimizing our businesses based on lifecycle and growth potential; prioritizing investments for growth in our enterprise businesses; further reducing costs and improving efficiencies across the company; rounding out our talented executive team; and continuing to return significant cash to shareholders.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The preparation of our Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes included in this annual report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, requires us to make estimates, including judgments and assumptions, that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue, and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. We have based our estimates on historical experience and on various assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. We evaluate our estimates on a regular basis and make changes accordingly. Historically, our critical accounting estimates have not differed materially from actual results; however, actual results may differ from these estimates under different conditions. If actual results differ from these estimates and other considerations used in estimating amounts reflected in our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this annual report, the resulting changes could have a material adverse effect on our Consolidated Statements of Income, and in certain situations, could have a material adverse effect on our liquidity and financial condition.

A critical accounting estimate is based on judgments and assumptions about matters that are uncertain at the time the estimate is made. Different estimates that reasonably could have been used or changes in accounting estimates could materially impact our operating results or financial condition. We believe that the estimates described below represent our critical accounting estimates, as they have the greatest potential impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements. See also Note 1 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this annual report.

Revenue recognition

We recognize revenue primarily pursuant to the requirements under the authoritative guidance on software revenue recognition, and any applicable amendments or modifications. Revenue recognition requirements in the software industry are very complex and require us to make estimates.

For software arrangements that include multiple elements, including perpetual software licenses and maintenance or services, packaged products with content updates, and subscriptions, we allocate and defer revenue for the undelivered items based on the fair value using vendor specific objective evidence (“VSOE”), and recognize the difference between the total arrangement fee and the amount deferred for the undelivered items as revenue. VSOE of each element is based on the price for which the undelivered element is sold separately. We determine fair value of the undelivered elements based on historical evidence of our stand-alone sales of these elements to third parties or from the stated renewal rate for the undelivered elements. When VSOE does not exist for undelivered items, the entire arrangement fee is recognized ratably over the performance period. Our deferred revenue consists primarily of the unamortized balance of enterprise product maintenance, consumer product content updates, managed security services, subscriptions, and arrangements where VSOE does not exist. Deferred revenue totaled approximately \$3.9 billion as of March 28, 2014, of which \$581 million was classified as long-term deferred revenue in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. Changes to the elements in a software arrangement, the ability to identify VSOE for those elements, the fair value of the respective elements, and increasing flexibility in contractual arrangements could materially impact the amount recognized in the current period and deferred over time.

For arrangements that include both software and non-software elements, we allocate revenue to the software deliverables as a group and non-software deliverables based on their relative selling prices. In such circumstances, the accounting principles establish a hierarchy to determine the selling price to be used for allocating revenue to deliverables as follows: (i) VSOE, (ii) third-party evidence of selling price (“TPE”) and (iii) best estimate of the selling price (“ESP”). When we are unable to establish a selling price using VSOE or TPE, we use ESP to allocate the arrangement fees to the deliverables.

For our consumer products that include content updates, we recognize revenue and the associated cost of revenue ratably over the term of the subscription upon sell-through to end-users, as the subscription period commences on the date of sale to the end-user. We defer revenue and cost of revenue amounts for unsold product held by our distributors and resellers.

We expect our distributors and resellers to maintain adequate inventory of consumer packaged products to meet future customer demand, which is generally four or six weeks of customer demand based on recent buying trends. We ship product to our distributors and resellers at their request and based on valid purchase orders. Our distributors and resellers base the quantity of orders on their estimates to meet future customer demand, which may exceed the expected level of a four or six week supply. We offer limited rights of return if the inventory held by our distributors and resellers is below the expected level of a four or six week supply. We estimate reserves for product returns as described below. We typically offer liberal rights of return if inventory held by our distributors and resellers exceeds the expected level. Because we cannot reasonably estimate the amount of excess inventory that will be returned, we primarily offset deferred revenue against trade accounts receivable for the amount of revenue in excess of the expected inventory levels.

Arrangements for maintenance, subscriptions, managed security services and SaaS offerings are generally offered to our customers over a specified period of time, and we recognize the related revenue ratably over the maintenance, subscription, or service period.

Reserves for product returns. We reserve for estimated product returns as an offset to revenue or deferred revenue based primarily on historical trends. We fully reserve for obsolete products in the distribution channels as an offset to deferred revenue. Actual product returns may be different than what was estimated. These factors and unanticipated changes in the economic and industry environment could make actual results differ from our return estimates.

Reserves for rebates. We estimate and record reserves for channel and end-user rebates as an offset to revenue or deferred revenue. For consumer products that include content updates, rebates are recorded as a ratable offset to revenue or deferred revenue over the term of the subscription. Our estimated reserves for channel

volume incentive rebates are based on distributors' and resellers' actual performance against the terms and conditions of volume incentive rebate programs, which are typically entered into quarterly. Our reserves for end-user rebates are estimated based on the terms and conditions of the promotional programs, actual sales during the promotion, the amount of actual redemptions received, historical redemption trends by product and by type of promotional program, and the value of the rebate. We also consider current market conditions and economic trends when estimating our reserves for rebates. If actual redemptions differ from our estimates, material differences may result in the amount and timing of our net revenues for any period presented.

Valuation of goodwill, intangible assets and long-lived assets

Business combination valuations. When we acquire businesses, we allocate the purchase price to tangible assets and liabilities and identifiable intangible assets acquired. Any residual purchase price is recorded as goodwill. The allocation of the purchase price requires management to make significant estimates in determining the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, especially with respect to intangible assets. These estimates are based on information obtained from management of the acquired companies and historical experience. These estimates can include, but are not limited to:

- cash flows that an asset is expected to generate in the future;
- expected costs to develop the in-process research and development into commercially viable products and estimated cash flows from the projects when completed;
- the acquired company's brand and competitive position, as well as assumptions about the period of time the acquired brand will continue to be used in the combined company's product portfolio;
- cost savings expected to be derived from acquiring an asset; and
- discount rates.

These estimates are inherently uncertain and unpredictable, and if different estimates were used, the purchase price for the acquisition could be allocated to the acquired assets and liabilities differently from the allocation that we have made. In addition, unanticipated events and circumstances may occur which may affect the accuracy or validity of such estimates, and if such events occur we may be required to record a charge against the value ascribed to an acquired asset or an increase in the amounts recorded for assumed liabilities.

Goodwill impairment. We review goodwill for impairment on an annual basis on the first day of the fourth quarter of each fiscal year, and on an interim basis whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable, at the reporting unit level. Our reporting units are the same as our operating segments. A qualitative assessment is first made to determine whether it is necessary to perform quantitative testing. This initial assessment includes, among others, consideration of: (i) past, current and projected future earnings and equity; (ii) recent trends and market conditions; and (iii) valuation metrics involving similar companies that are publicly-traded and acquisitions of similar companies, if available. If this initial qualitative assessment indicates that it is more likely than not that impairment exists, a second step is taken, involving a comparison between the estimated fair values of our reporting units with their respective carrying amounts including goodwill. The methods for estimating reporting unit values include asset and liability fair values and other valuation techniques, such as discounted cash flows and multiples of earnings or revenues. If the carrying value exceeds estimated fair value, there is an indication of potential impairment, and a third step is performed to measure the amount of impairment. The third step involves calculating an implied fair value of goodwill by measuring the excess of the estimated fair value of the reporting units over the aggregate estimated fair values of the individual assets less liabilities. If the carrying value of goodwill exceeds the implied fair value of goodwill, an impairment charge is recorded for the excess.

The process of estimating the fair value and carrying value of our reporting units' equity requires significant judgment at many points during the analysis. Many assets and liabilities, such as accounts receivable and property and equipment, are not specifically allocated to an individual reporting unit, and therefore, we apply judgment to allocate the assets and liabilities, and this allocation affects the carrying value of the respective reporting units. Similarly, we use judgment to allocate goodwill to the reporting units based on relative fair values. The use of relative fair values has been necessary for certain reporting units due to changes in our operating structure in prior years. To determine a reporting unit's fair value, we use the income approach under which we calculate the fair value of each reporting unit based on the estimated discounted future cash flows of that unit. We evaluate the reasonableness of this approach by comparing it with the market approach, which involves a review of the carrying value of our assets relative to our market capitalization and to the valuation of publicly traded companies operating in the same or similar lines of business.

Applying the income approach requires that we make a number of important estimates and assumptions. We estimate the future cash flows of each reporting unit based on historical and forecasted revenue and operating costs. This, in turn, involves further estimates, such as estimates of future revenue and expense growth rates. In addition, we apply a discount rate to the estimated future cash flows for the purpose of the valuation. This discount rate is based on the estimated weighted-average cost of capital for each reporting unit and may change from year to year. Changes in these key estimates and assumptions, or in other assumptions used in this process, could materially affect our impairment analysis for a given year.

As of March 28, 2014, our goodwill balance was \$5.9 billion amongst our reporting units. Based on a qualitative impairment analysis performed as of December 28, 2013, we determined that it was more likely than not that there was no impairment in any of our reporting units.

A number of factors, many of which we have no ability to control, could affect our financial condition, operating results and business prospects and could cause actual results to differ from the estimates and assumptions we employed. These factors include:

- a prolonged global economic crisis;
- a significant decrease in the demand for our products;
- the inability to develop new and enhanced products and services in a timely manner;
- a significant adverse change in legal factors or in the business climate;
- an adverse action or assessment by a regulator;
- successful efforts by our competitors to gain market share in our markets;
- a loss of key personnel;
- our determination to dispose of one or more of our reporting units;
- the testing for recoverability of a significant asset group within a reporting unit; and
- recognition of a goodwill impairment loss.

Intangible asset impairment. We assess the impairment of identifiable finite-lived intangible assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that an asset group's carrying amount may not be recoverable. Recoverability of certain finite-lived intangible assets, particularly customer relationships and finite-lived trade names, would be measured by the comparison of the carrying amount of the asset group to which the

assets are assigned to the sum of the undiscounted estimated future cash flows the asset group is expected to generate. If an asset is considered to be impaired, the amount of such impairment would be measured as the difference between the carrying amount of the asset and its fair value. Recoverability and impairment of other finite-lived intangible assets, particularly developed technology and patents, would be measured by the comparison of the carrying amount of the asset to the sum of undiscounted estimated future product revenues offset by estimated future costs to dispose of the product to which the asset relates. For indefinite-lived intangible assets, we review impairment on an annual basis consistent with the timing of the annual evaluation for goodwill. These assets generally include trade names and trademarks. Similar to goodwill impairment testing, a qualitative assessment is first made to determine whether it is necessary to perform quantitative testing. This initial assessment includes consideration of, among other things: (i) past, current and projected future revenues; (ii) recent trends and market conditions, including discount rates; and (iv) valuation metrics, such as royalty rates, involving similar companies that are publicly-traded, if available. If this initial qualitative assessment indicates that it is more likely than not that impairment exists, a second step is taken. This step involves a comparison between the fair values of the assets and their respective carrying amounts. Any excess of the carrying amount over the fair value would be recognized as an impairment charge. Our cash flow assumptions are based on historical and forecasted future revenue, operating costs, and other relevant factors. Assumptions and estimates about the remaining useful lives of our intangible assets are subjective and are affected by changes to our business strategies. If management's estimates of future operating results change, or if there are changes to other assumptions, the estimate of the fair value of our identifiable intangible assets could change significantly. Such change could result in impairment charges in future periods, which could have a significant impact on our operating results and financial condition.

Long-lived assets. We assess long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the long-lived assets may not be recoverable. Based on the existence of one or more indicators of impairment, we assess recoverability of long-lived assets based on a projected undiscounted cash flow method using assumptions determined by management to be commensurate with the risk inherent in our current business model. If an asset is not recoverable, impairment is measured as the difference between the carrying amount and its fair value. Our estimates of cash flows require significant judgment based on our historical and anticipated results and are subject to many factors which could change and cause a material impact to our operating results or financial condition. We record impairment charges on long-lived assets held for sale when we determine that the carrying value of the long-lived assets may not be recoverable. In determining fair value, we obtain and consider market value appraisal information from third parties.

Stock-based compensation

We account for stock-based compensation in accordance with the authoritative guidance on stock compensation. Under the fair value recognition provisions of this guidance, stock-based compensation is measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and is generally recognized as expense ratably over the requisite service period, which is generally the vesting period of the respective award.

We issue performance-based restricted stock units ("PRUs") and performance-contingent stock units ("PCSUs") representing hypothetical shares of our common stock. Each PRU and PCSU grant reflects a target number of shares that may be issued to the award recipient. The actual number of PRUs the recipient receives is determined at the end of a three-year performance period as follows: (1) our achievement of an annual target earnings per share for the first fiscal year of grant and (2) our two and three year cumulative relative total shareholder return ranked against that of other companies that are included in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index. The PCSUs vest based upon the performance of Symantec's common stock over a three-year period, and are also subject to an underlying continued service vesting condition. We estimate the fair value of PRUs using the Monte Carlo simulation option pricing model ("Monte Carlo model"), as the total shareholder return modifier contains a market condition. We estimate the fair value and derived service period of PCSUs using the Monte Carlo model, as this statistical model can simulate a range of possible future stock prices for Symantec. Because our PRUs include dividend-equivalent rights, the fair values of PRUs are not discounted by the dividend yield.

Determining the fair value of stock-based awards at the grant date requires judgment. We use the Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model (“BSM model”) to determine the fair value of stock options. The determination of the grant date fair value of options using an option pricing model is affected by our stock price as well as assumptions regarding a number of complex and subjective variables. These variables include our expected stock price volatility over the expected life of the options, actual and projected employee stock option exercise and cancellation behaviors, risk-free interest rates, and expected dividends.

We estimate the expected life of options granted based on an analysis of our historical experience of employee exercise and post-vesting termination behavior considered in relation to the contractual life of the option. Expected volatility is based on the average of historical volatility for the period commensurate with the expected life of the option and the implied volatility of traded options. The risk free interest rate is equal to the U.S. Treasury constant maturity rates for the period equal to the expected life. If options are granted or assumed without dividend-equivalents rights, the fair values are discounted by the dividend yield. Prior to the initial declaration of a quarterly cash dividend on May 2, 2013, the fair value of options was measured based on an expected dividend yield of 0% as we did not historically pay cash dividends on our common stock. For awards granted on or subsequent to June 27, 2013, we used an annualized dividend yield based on the per share dividends declared by our board of directors. See Note 15 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report.

In accordance with the authoritative guidance on stock compensation, we record stock-based compensation expense for awards that are expected to vest. As a result, judgment is required in estimating the amount of stock-based awards that are expected to be forfeited. Although we estimate forfeitures based on historical experience, actual forfeitures may differ. If actual results differ significantly from these estimates, stock-based compensation expense and our results of operations could be materially impacted when we record an adjustment for the difference in the period that the awards vest or are forfeited.

Contingencies and litigation

We evaluate contingent liabilities including threatened or pending litigation in accordance with the authoritative guidance on contingencies. We assess the likelihood of any adverse judgments or outcomes from potential claims or legal proceedings, as well as potential ranges of probable losses, when the outcomes of the claims or proceedings are probable and reasonably estimable. A determination of the amount of accrued liabilities required, if any, for these contingencies is made after the analysis of each separate matter. Because of uncertainties related to these matters, we base our estimates on the information available at the time of our assessment. As additional information becomes available, we reassess the potential liability related to our pending claims and litigation and may revise our estimates. Any revisions in the estimates of potential liabilities could have a material impact on our operating results and financial position.

Income taxes

We are required to compute our income taxes in each federal, state, and international jurisdiction in which we operate. This process requires that we estimate the current tax exposure as well as assess temporary differences between the accounting and tax treatment of assets and liabilities, including items such as accruals and allowances not currently deductible for tax purposes. The income tax effects of the differences we identify are classified as current or long-term deferred tax assets and liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. Our judgments, assumptions, and estimates relative to the current provision for income tax take into account current tax laws, our interpretation of current tax laws, and possible outcomes of current and future audits conducted by foreign and domestic tax authorities. Changes in tax laws or our interpretation of tax laws and the resolution of current and future tax audits could significantly impact the amounts provided for income taxes in our Consolidated Balance Sheets and Consolidated Statements of Income.

Our effective tax rate includes the impact of certain undistributed foreign earnings for which no U.S. taxes have been provided because such earnings are planned to be indefinitely reinvested outside the United States. While we do not anticipate changing our intention regarding indefinitely reinvested earnings outside the United States, material changes in our estimates of such earnings or tax legislation that limits or restricts the amount of such earnings could materially impact our income tax provision and effective tax rate. If certain foreign earnings previously treated as indefinitely reinvested outside the United States are repatriated, the related U.S. tax liability may be reduced by any foreign income taxes paid on these earnings.

We account for uncertain tax positions pursuant to authoritative guidance based on a two-step approach to recognize and measure those positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The first step is to determine if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on audit, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely to be realized upon ultimate settlement. We adjust reserves for our uncertain tax positions due to changing facts and circumstances, such as the closing of a tax audit, the refinement of estimates, or the realization of earnings or deductions that differ from our estimates. To the extent that the final outcome of these matters is different than the amounts recorded, such differences will impact our tax provision in our Consolidated Statements of Income in the period in which such determination is made.

We must also assess the likelihood that deferred tax assets will be realized from future taxable income and, based on this assessment establish a valuation allowance, if required. The determination of our valuation allowance involves assumptions, judgments and estimates, including forecasted earnings, future taxable income, and the relative proportions of revenue and income before taxes in the various domestic and international jurisdictions in which we operate. To the extent we establish a valuation allowance or change the valuation allowance in a period, we reflect the change with a corresponding increase or decrease to our tax provision in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Total net revenue

	Fiscal 2014	Change in		Fiscal 2013	Change in		Fiscal 2012
		\$	%		\$	%	
(Dollars in millions)							
Content, subscription, and maintenance revenue	\$ 5,960	\$ (61)	(1)%	\$ 6,021	\$ 198	3%	\$ 5,823
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	<i>89%</i>			<i>87%</i>			<i>87%</i>
License revenue	716	(169)	(19)%	885	(22)	(2)%	907
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	<i>11%</i>			<i>13%</i>			<i>13%</i>
Total	\$ 6,676	\$ (230)	(3)%	\$ 6,906	\$ 176	3%	\$ 6,730

Fiscal 2014 compared to Fiscal 2013:

Content, subscription and maintenance revenue represented 89%, 87% and 87% of total net revenue for the fiscal years ended 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Content, subscription, and maintenance revenue decreased primarily due to decreases from our User Productivity & Protection segment of \$48 million and Information Management segment of \$26 million offset by an increase of \$13 million from our Information Security segment. License revenue includes sales of software licenses, appliances, and certain revenue sharing arrangements. License revenue decreased primarily due to declines from our Information Management segment of \$89 million, User Productivity & Protection segment of \$62 million and Information Security segment of \$17 million.

Fluctuations in the U.S. dollar compared to foreign currencies unfavorably impacted our international revenue by approximately \$20 million for fiscal 2014 as compared to fiscal 2013. This was due to a \$90 million unfavorable foreign currency fluctuation in the Asia Pacific and Japan region partially offset by a favorable foreign currency fluctuation of \$70 million in the EMEA region. For fiscal 2013 as compared 2012, we had an unfavorable foreign currency exchange effect of \$141 million, \$118 million from the EMEA region, while the remainder of the variance was from the Asia Pacific and Japan region.

Our international sales are and are expected to continue to be a significant portion of our revenue. As a result, revenue is expected to continue to be affected by foreign currency exchange rates as compared to the U.S. dollar. We are unable to predict the extent to which revenue in future periods will be impacted by changes in foreign currency exchange rates. If international sales become a greater portion of our total sales in the future, changes in foreign currency exchange rates may have a potentially greater impact on our revenue and operating results.

Cost of revenue

	Fiscal 2014		Change in		Fiscal 2013		Change in		Fiscal 2012	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
(Dollars in millions)										
Cost of content, subscription, and maintenance	\$ 1,008		\$ (9)	(1)%	\$ 1,017		\$ 74	8 %	\$ 943	
<i>As a percentage of related revenue</i>	17 %				17 %				16 %	
Cost of license	\$ 87		\$ (2)	(2)%	\$ 89		\$ 41	85 %	\$ 48	
<i>As a percentage of related revenue</i>	12 %				10 %				5 %	
Amortization of intangible assets	\$ 54		\$ (15)	(22)%	\$ 69		\$ (22)	(24)%	\$ 91	
<i>As a percentage of total net revenue</i>	1 %				1 %				1 %	
Total	\$ 1,149		\$ (26)	(2)%	\$ 1,175		\$ 93	9 %	\$ 1,082	
<i>Gross margin</i>	83 %				83 %				84 %	

Fiscal 2014 compared to Fiscal 2013:

Cost of content, subscription, and maintenance consists primarily of technical support costs, costs of billable services, and fees to OEMs under revenue-sharing agreements. Cost of license consists primarily of royalties paid to third parties under technology licensing agreements, appliance manufacturing costs, and other direct material costs.

Intangible assets are primarily comprised of developed technologies and patents from acquired companies. Amortization decreased for fiscal 2014 as certain developed technologies became fully amortized early in fiscal 2014.

Fiscal 2013 compared to Fiscal 2012:

Cost of content, subscription, and maintenance increased for fiscal 2013 primarily due to higher technical support, services, and OEM royalty costs. The increased costs were due to growth in our business and higher royalty payments to major OEM partners as part of revenue-sharing arrangements. Cost of license increased primarily due to higher direct costs associated with the appliance business.

Amortization decreased for fiscal 2013 due to certain developed technologies becoming fully amortized, partially offset by the incremental amortization associated with our fiscal 2012 acquisitions.

Operating expenses

	Fiscal	Change in		Fiscal	Change in		Fiscal
	2014	\$	%	2013	\$	%	2012
	(Dollars in millions)						
Sales and marketing expense	\$ 2,435	\$ (317)	(12)%	\$ 2,752	\$ (37)	(1)%	\$ 2,789
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	36 %			40 %			41 %
Research and development expense	\$ 1,038	\$ 26	3 %	\$ 1,012	\$ 43	4 %	\$ 969
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	16 %			15 %			14 %
General and administrative expense	\$ 445	\$ (5)	(1)%	\$ 450	\$ 13	3 %	\$ 437
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	7 %			7 %			6 %
Amortization of intangible assets	\$ 156	\$ (130)	(45)%	\$ 286	\$ (3)	(1)%	\$ 289
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	2 %			4 %			4 %
Restructuring and transition	\$ 270	\$ 145	116 %	\$ 125	\$ 69	123 %	\$ 56
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	4 %			2 %			1 %
Impairment of intangible assets	\$ -	\$ -	*	\$ -	\$ (4)	*	\$ 4
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	-%			-%			-%
Total	<u>\$ 4,344</u>	<u>\$ (281)</u>	<u>(6)%</u>	<u>\$ 4,625</u>	<u>\$ 81</u>	<u>2 %</u>	<u>\$ 4,544</u>

* Percentage not meaningful

Fiscal 2014 compared to Fiscal 2013:

Sales and marketing expense decreased for fiscal 2014, primarily due to lower salaries and wages of \$159 million resulting from lower headcount and lower advertising and promotion expenses of \$146 million. Our sales and marketing expense in fiscal 2014 was also impacted by the changes in our go-to-market strategy as described above under “Overview-Strategy-Redesigning our Go-To-Market-Strategy.”

The increase in research and development for fiscal 2014, was primarily due to higher equipment cost including depreciation and amortization of \$23 million.

Amortization of intangible assets decreased by \$130 million primarily as a result of various customer relationship intangibles becoming fully amortized early in fiscal 2014.

Restructuring and transition costs consist of severance, facilities, transition and other related costs associated with our organization simplification. For fiscal 2014, we recognized \$212 million of restructuring, \$49 million in transition costs related to our ERP system and \$9 million in other transition costs. For further information on restructuring and transition costs, see Note 7 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

We experienced favorable foreign currency effects on our operating expenses of \$42 million in the year ended March 28, 2014, as compared to the same period last year.

Fiscal 2013 compared to Fiscal 2012:

Sales and marketing expense decreased primarily due to lower advertising and promotional expenses of \$73 million, which was attributed to lower placement fees. This decrease was offset by higher salaries and wages of \$53 million due to higher headcount.

Research and development expense increased due to higher salaries and wages expenses of \$36 million, which was attributed to increased headcount to support our continued investment in product development.

Restructuring and transition costs consist of transition, severance, facilities, and other related costs. For fiscal 2013, we recognized \$114 million of transition and other related costs, \$10 million of severance, and \$1 million of facilities costs. For further information on restructuring and transition costs, see Note 7 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report.

We experienced favorable foreign currency effects on our operating expenses of \$99 million in the year ended March 29, 2013, as compared to the year ended in fiscal 2012.

Non-operating income (expense)

	Fiscal 2014		Change in		Fiscal 2013		Change in		Fiscal 2012
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$
	(Dollars in millions)								
Interest income	\$ 12				\$ 12				\$ 13
Interest expense	(84)				(139)				(115)
Other income (expense), net	45				27				(6)
Loss from joint venture	-				-				(27)
Gain from sale of joint venture	-				-				526
Total	<u>\$ (27)</u>		<u>\$ 73</u>	<u>73 %</u>	<u>\$ (100)</u>		<u>\$ (491)</u>	<u>(126)%</u>	<u>\$ 391</u>
Percentage of total net revenue		-%				(1)%			6 %

Fiscal 2014 compared to Fiscal 2013:

The decrease in non-operating expense, net, is primarily driven by a realized gain from sale of short-term investments of \$32 million during fiscal 2014, coupled with a decrease in interest expense of \$55 million as we experienced lower amortization of debt issuance costs and discounts following the maturity of our \$1.0 billion 1.00% notes in June 2013.

Fiscal 2013 compared to Fiscal 2012:

In the first quarter of fiscal 2013, we issued \$600 million in principal amount of 2.75% interest-bearing senior notes due June 2017 and \$400 million in principal amount of 3.95% interest-bearing senior notes due June 2022, which resulted in interest expense of \$26 million in fiscal 2013. Other income (expense), net increased due to a tax incentive received from the China tax bureau in the form of value-added tax refunds of \$33 million.

Provision for income taxes

	Fiscal 2014		Change in		Fiscal 2013		Change in		Fiscal 2012
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$
	(Dollars in millions)								
Provision for income taxes	\$ 258		\$ 7	3 %	\$ 251		\$ (57)	(19)%	\$ 308
Effective tax rate on earnings		22 %				25 %			21 %

Our effective tax rate was approximately 22%, 25%, and 21% in fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively.

The tax expense in fiscal 2014 was reduced by the following benefits: (1) \$33 million for the resolution of a tax matter related to the sale of our 49% ownership interest in the joint venture with Huawei during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012, (2) \$24 million for tax benefits related to the settlement of the Symantec 2005 through 2008 Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) audit, (3) \$15 million tax benefit related to certain foreign operations, and (4) \$13 million from lapses of statutes of limitation. These tax benefits were partially offset by \$12 million in tax expense, resulting from the sale of short-term investments.

The tax expense in fiscal 2013 was reduced by the following benefits: (1) \$17 million tax benefits arising from the Veritas 2002 through 2005 IRS Appeals matters, including adjustments to state liabilities and a reduction of interest accrued, (2) \$13 million in tax benefits resulting from tax settlements and adjustments to prior year items, (3) \$10 million from lapses of statutes of limitation, and (4) \$2 million for the benefit of the research credit for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012 resulting from the extension of the federal research credit as part of the 2012 Taxpayer Relief Act. These tax benefits were offset by a \$9 million tax expense from an increase in valuation allowance on state research tax credits.

The tax expense in fiscal 2012 was reduced by the following benefits: (1) \$52 million tax benefit arising from the Veritas 2002 through 2005 IRS Appeals matters, (2) \$14 million from lapses of statutes of limitation, (3) \$17 million from the settlements and effective settlements with tax authorities and related remeasurements, and (4) \$5 million tax benefit from adjustments related to prior year items. This benefit was partially offset by a \$5 million tax expense resulting from a change in valuation allowance for certain deferred tax assets.

The effective tax rates for all periods presented otherwise reflect the benefits of lower-taxed international earnings and losses from our joint venture with Huawei Technologies Co., Limited, domestic manufacturing incentives, and research and development credits (the U.S. federal Research and Development credit expired on December 31, 2013), partially offset by state income taxes. Pretax income from international operations was significantly higher in fiscal 2012 due to the sale of our 49% ownership interest in the joint venture to Huawei on March 30, 2012 for \$526 million. A significant portion of the sale proceeds was attributable to international tax jurisdictions resulting in a 20% tax rate on the sale of the joint venture reducing the overall tax rate in fiscal 2012 by 3%.

We are a U.S.-based multinational company subject to tax in multiple U.S. and international tax jurisdictions. A substantial portion of our international earnings were generated from subsidiaries organized in Ireland and Singapore. Our results of operations would be adversely affected to the extent that our geographical mix of income becomes more weighted toward jurisdictions with higher tax rates and would be favorably affected to the extent the relative geographic mix shifts to lower tax jurisdictions. Any change in our mix of earnings is dependent upon many factors and is therefore difficult to predict.

For further information on the impact of foreign earnings on our effective tax rate, see Note 12 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

See Critical Accounting Estimates above for additional information about our provision for income taxes.

In assessing the ability to realize our deferred tax assets, we considered whether it was more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. We considered the following: we have historical cumulative book income, as measured by the current and prior two years, we have strong, consistent taxpaying history, we have substantial U.S. federal income tax carryback potential; and we have substantial amounts of scheduled future reversals of taxable temporary differences from our deferred tax liabilities. Levels of future taxable income are subject to the various risks and uncertainties discussed in Part I, Item 1A, *Risk Factors*, set forth in this annual report. We have concluded that this positive evidence outweighs the negative evidence and, thus, that the deferred tax assets as of March 28, 2014 of \$347 million, after application of the valuation allowances described above, are realizable on a “more likely than not” basis.

On December 2, 2009, we received a Revenue Agent’s Report from the IRS for the Veritas 2002 through 2005 tax years assessing additional taxes due. We contested \$80 million of the tax assessed and all penalties. As a result of negotiations with IRS Appeals in the third quarter of fiscal 2012, we remeasured our liability for unrecognized tax benefits, resulting in a tax benefit of \$52 million. We executed the final closing agreement for the Veritas 2002 through 2005 tax years on December 26, 2012. Accordingly, we recorded a further tax benefit of \$3 million during the third quarter of fiscal 2013 based on the closing agreement. Further, we amended our state tax returns for the Veritas 2002 through 2005 tax years in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013 to reflect the adjustments in the closing agreement and remeasured our state liability resulting in a benefit of \$7 million.

The timing of the resolution of income tax examinations is highly uncertain, and the amounts ultimately paid, if any, upon resolution of the issues raised by the taxing authorities may differ materially from the amounts accrued for each year. Although potential resolution of uncertain tax positions involve multiple tax periods and jurisdictions, it is reasonably possible that the gross unrecognized tax benefits related to these audits could decrease (whether by payment, release, or a combination of both) in the next 12 months by between \$20 million and \$140 million.

We continue to monitor the progress of ongoing tax controversies and the impact, if any, of the expected tolling of the statute of limitations in various taxing jurisdictions.

Noncontrolling interest

In fiscal 2011, we completed the acquisition of the identity and authentication business of VeriSign, including a controlling interest in its subsidiary VeriSign Japan K.K. (“VeriSign Japan”), a publicly traded company on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Given our majority ownership interest of 54% in VeriSign Japan, the accounts of VeriSign Japan have been consolidated with our accounts, and a noncontrolling interest had been recorded for the noncontrolling investors’ interests in the equity and operations of VeriSign Japan. During the second quarter of fiscal 2013, we completed a tender offer and paid \$92 million to acquire VeriSign Japan common shares and stock rights, which increased our ownership percentage to 92%. During the third quarter of fiscal 2013, we acquired the remaining 8% interest for \$19 million and VeriSign Japan became a wholly-owned subsidiary. The payment was made in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013. See Note 14 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report for additional information. For fiscal 2013 and 2012 the loss attributable to the noncontrolling interest in VeriSign Japan was approximately \$0 million.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Sources of cash

We have historically relied on cash flow from operations, borrowings under a credit facility, and issuances of debt and equity securities for our liquidity needs. As of March 28, 2014, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$3.7 billion and an unused credit facility of \$1.0 billion resulting in a liquidity position of \$4.7 billion. As of March 28, 2014, \$2.5 billion in cash, cash equivalents, and marketable equity securities were held by our foreign subsidiaries. We have provided U.S. deferred taxes on a portion of our undistributed foreign earnings sufficient to address the incremental U.S. tax that would be due if we needed such portion of these funds to support our operations in the U.S.

Senior Notes: In the first quarter of fiscal 2013, we issued \$600 million in principal amount of 2.75% senior notes due June 2017 and \$400 million in principal amount of 3.95% senior notes due June 2022, for an aggregate principal amount of \$1.0 billion. In the second quarter of fiscal 2011, we issued \$350 million in principal amount of 2.75% senior notes due September 2015 and \$750 million in principal amount of 4.20% senior notes due September 2020, for an aggregate principal amount of \$1.1 billion.

Revolving Credit Facility: In the second quarter of fiscal 2011, we entered into a \$1.0 billion senior unsecured revolving credit facility (“credit facility”), which was amended in the first quarter of 2013 to extend the term to June 2017. Under the terms of this credit facility, we must comply with certain financial and non-financial covenants, including a debt to EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) covenant. As of March 28, 2014, we were in compliance with all required covenants, and there was no outstanding balance on the credit facility.

We believe that our existing cash and investment balances, our available revolving credit facility, our ability to issue new debt instruments, and cash generated from operations will be sufficient to meet our working capital

and capital expenditure requirements, as well as to fund any cash dividends, principal and interest payments on debt and repurchases of our stock, for at least the next 12 months and foreseeable future. We have implemented a capital allocation strategy pursuant to which we expect to return over time approximately 50% of free cash flow to stockholders through a combination of dividends and share repurchases, while still enabling our company to invest in its future. Our strategy emphasizes organic growth through internal innovation and will be complemented by acquisitions that fit strategically and meet specific internal profitability hurdles.

Uses of Cash

Our principal cash requirements include working capital, capital expenditures, payments of principal and interest on our debt, and payments of taxes. Also, we may, from time to time, engage in the open market purchase of our notes prior to their maturity. Furthermore, our capital allocation strategy contemplates a quarterly cash dividend. In addition, we regularly evaluate our ability to repurchase stock, pay debts, and acquire other businesses.

Acquisitions: In fiscal 2013, we acquired a privately-held provider of mobile application management for an aggregate payment of \$28 million, net of cash acquired. In fiscal 2012, we acquired Clearwell, LiveOffice, and another company for an aggregate amount of \$508 million, net of cash acquired.

Convertible Senior Notes: On June 15, 2013, the principal balance on our 1.00% notes matured and was settled by a cash payment of \$1.0 billion, along with the \$5 million semi-annual interest payment. In addition, we elected to pay the conversion value above par value of the notes in cash in the amount of \$189 million. Concurrently with the payment of the conversion value, we received \$189 million from the settlement of the note hedge we entered into at the time of the issuance of the 1.00% notes.

Stock Repurchases: Our board of directors authorized a new \$1.0 billion stock repurchase program during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013. In fiscal 2014, we repurchased 21 million shares, or \$500 million, of our common stock. In fiscal 2013, we repurchased 49 million shares, or \$826 million, of our common stock. In fiscal 2012, we repurchased 51 million shares, or \$893 million, of our common stock. Our active stock repurchase programs have \$658 million remaining authorized for future repurchase as of March 28, 2014, with no expiration date.

Dividend Program: During fiscal 2014 we declared and paid common stock dividends of \$418 million or \$0.60 per share. Each quarterly dividend was recorded as a reduction to additional paid-in capital. In addition, our board of directors approved dividend equivalent rights entitling holders of restricted stock and performance-based stock to dividend equivalents to be paid in the form of cash upon vesting for each share of the underlying units. No dividends and dividend equivalents were paid in any periods prior to fiscal 2014. Any future dividends and dividend equivalents are subject to the approval of our board of directors.

Restructuring Plan: In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, we announced our strategy focusing on three priority areas, developing innovative products and services, changing our GTM plans and investing in people, process and technology infrastructure to make it easier to do business with us and improve our execution. In connection with this strategy we initiated a restructuring plan in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013 to reduce management and redundant personnel resulting in headcount reductions across the Company. As of March 28, 2014, total costs related to our plan incurred from inception were \$222 million, primarily related to severance and related employee benefits.

Noncontrolling Interest: In July 2012, we completed a tender offer and paid \$92 million to acquire VeriSign Japan common shares and stock rights, which increased our ownership percentage to 92%. In November 2012, we acquired the remaining 8% interest for \$19 million and it became a wholly-owned subsidiary. The payment for the remaining 8% interest was made in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013.

Cash Flows

The following table summarizes, for the periods indicated, selected items in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows:

	<u>Fiscal 2014</u>	<u>Fiscal 2013</u>	<u>Fiscal 2012</u>
	(Dollars in millions)		
Net cash provided by (used in):			
Operating activities	\$ 1,281	\$ 1,593	\$ 1,901
Investing activities	(583)	(319)	(318)
Financing activities	(1,712)	308	(1,386)

Operating activities

We expect cash from our operating activities to fluctuate in future periods as a result of a number of factors, including the timing of our billings and collections, our operating results, the timing and amount of tax and other liability payments.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$1.3 billion for fiscal 2014, which resulted from net income of \$898 million adjusted for non-cash items, including depreciation and amortization charges of \$498 million and stock-based compensation expense of \$156 million. These amounts were partially offset by decreases in deferred revenue of \$223 million.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$1.6 billion for fiscal 2013, which resulted from net income of \$755 million adjusted for non-cash items, including depreciation and amortization charges of \$698 million and stock-based compensation expense of \$164 million, and an increase in deferred revenue of \$119 million. These amounts were partially offset by an increase in trade accounts receivable, net of \$107 million.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$1.9 billion for fiscal 2012, which resulted from net income of \$1.2 billion adjusted for non-cash items, which included depreciation and amortization charges of \$712 million, stock-based compensation expense of \$164 million, an increase in deferred revenue of \$177 million, a decrease in trade accounts receivable, net of \$89 million, and an increase in accounts payable other liabilities of \$77 million. Additionally, net income was adjusted for the net gain of \$526 million from the sale of the joint venture with a subsidiary of Huawei Technologies Co., Limited, as the gross proceeds were included as a cash inflow provided by investing activities.

Investing activities

Net cash used in investing activities was \$583 million for fiscal 2014 and was primarily due to payments of \$260 million for capital expenditures, and \$492 million in purchases of short-term investments, partially offset by \$186 million in net proceeds from the sale of our short-term investments.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$319 million for fiscal 2013 and was primarily due to payments of \$336 million for capital expenditures, partially offset by \$46 million in net proceeds from the sale of our short-term investments.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$318 million for fiscal 2012, which was used to pay for fiscal 2012 acquisitions, net of cash acquired, of \$508 million, payments of \$286 million for capital expenditures, and \$47 million in purchases of short-term investments, partially offset by the gross proceeds from the sale of the joint venture of \$530 million.

Financing activities

Net cash used by financing activities was \$1.7 billion for fiscal 2014, which was primarily due to the repayment of our convertible senior notes of \$1 billion, repurchases of our common stock of \$500 million and cash dividends paid of \$418, million partially offset by net proceeds from sales of common stock through employee stock plans of \$234 million.

Net cash provided by financing activities of \$308 million for fiscal 2013 was primarily due to the proceeds from our issuance of \$600 million in principal amount of 2.75% interest-bearing senior notes due June 2017 and \$400 million in principal amount of 3.95% interest-bearing senior notes due June 2022, net of discount, of \$996 million, and net proceeds from sales of common stock through employee stock plans of \$281 million, partially offset by repurchases of our common stock of \$826 million and the purchase of additional equity interest in subsidiary of \$111 million.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$1.4 billion for fiscal 2012, which was due to the repurchases of our common stock of \$893 million and repayment of our debt and other obligations of \$607 million under the 0.75% notes, partially offset by net proceeds from sales of common stock through employee stock plans of \$147 million.

Contractual obligations

The following is a schedule by years of our significant contractual obligations as of March 28, 2014:

	Payments Due by Period					
	Total	Fiscal 2015	Fiscal 2016 and 2017	Fiscal 2018 and 2019	Fiscal 2020 and Thereafter	Other
	(Dollars in millions)					
Senior Notes ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2,100	\$ -	\$ 950	\$ -	\$ 1,150	\$ -
Interest payments on Senior Notes ⁽¹⁾	401	75	131	98	97	-
Purchase obligations ⁽²⁾	523	483	40	-	-	-
Operating leases ⁽³⁾	493	103	152	114	124	-
Recorded tax positions ⁽⁴⁾	252	-	-	-	-	252
Total	\$ 3,769	\$ 661	\$ 1,273	\$ 212	\$ 1,371	\$ 252

⁽¹⁾ In fiscal 2011, we issued \$350 million in principal amount of 2.75% notes due September 2015 and \$750 million in principal amount of 4.20% notes due September 2020. In fiscal 2013, we issued \$600 million in principal amount of 2.75% notes due September 2017 and \$400 million in principal amount of 3.95% notes due September 2022. Interest payments were calculated based on terms of the related notes. For further information on the notes, see Note 6 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report.

⁽²⁾ These amounts are associated with agreements for purchases of goods or services generally including agreements that are enforceable and legally binding and that specify all significant terms, including fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum, or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the transaction. The table above also includes agreements to purchase goods or services that have cancellation provisions requiring little or no payment. The amounts under such contracts are included in the table above because management believes that cancellation of these contracts is unlikely and we expect to make future cash payments according to the contract terms or in similar amounts for similar materials.

⁽³⁾ We have entered into various noncancelable operating lease agreements that expire on various dates beyond fiscal 2020. The amounts in the table above exclude expected sublease income and includes \$3 million in exited or excess facility costs related to restructuring activities.

⁽⁴⁾ As of March 28, 2014, we reflected \$252 million in long-term income taxes payable related to uncertain tax positions. At this time, we are unable to make a reasonably reliable estimate of the timing of payments in individual years beyond the next twelve months due to uncertainties in the timing of the commencement and settlement of potential tax audits and controversies. For further information, see Note 12 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this annual report.

Indemnifications

In the ordinary course of business, we may provide indemnifications of varying scope and terms to customers, vendors, lessors, business partners, subsidiaries and other parties with respect to certain matters, including, but not limited to, losses arising out of our breach of agreements or representations and warranties made by us. In addition, our bylaws contain indemnification obligations to our directors, officers, employees and agents, and we have entered into indemnification agreements with our directors and certain of our officers to give such directors and officers additional contractual assurances regarding the scope of the indemnification set forth in our bylaws and to provide additional procedural protections. We maintain director and officer insurance, which may cover certain liabilities arising from our obligation to indemnify our directors and officers. It is not possible to determine the aggregate maximum potential loss under these indemnification agreements due to the limited history of prior indemnification claims and the unique facts and circumstances involved in each particular agreement. Such indemnification agreements might not be subject to maximum loss clauses. Historically, we have not incurred material costs as a result of obligations under these agreements and we have not accrued any liabilities related to such indemnification obligations in our Consolidated Financial Statements.

We provide limited product warranties and the majority of our software license agreements contain provisions that indemnify licensees of our software from damages and costs resulting from claims alleging that our software infringes on the intellectual property rights of a third party. Historically, payments made under these provisions have been immaterial. We monitor the conditions that are subject to indemnification to identify if a loss has occurred.

Recently issued authoritative guidance

There was no recently issued authoritative guidance that had a material impact to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Item 7A. *Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk*

We are exposed to various market risks related to fluctuations in interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates, and equity prices. We may use derivative financial instruments to mitigate certain risks in accordance with our investment and foreign exchange policies. We do not use derivatives or other financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

Interest rate risk

As of March 28, 2014, we had \$2.10 billion in principal amount of fixed-rate senior notes outstanding, with a carrying amount of \$2.10 billion and a fair value of \$2.17 billion, which fair value is based on level 2 inputs of market prices for similar debt instruments and resulting yields. We have performed sensitivity analyses as of March 28, 2014 by using a modeling technique that measures the change in the fair values arising from a hypothetical 50 bps movement in the levels of interest rates across the entire yield curve, with all other variables held constant. On March 28, 2014, a hypothetical 50 bps increase or decrease in market interest rates would change the fair value of the fixed-rate senior notes by a decrease of approximately \$48 million and an increase of approximately \$49 million, respectively. However, this hypothetical change in interest rates would not impact the interest expense on the fixed-rate debt.

Foreign currency exchange rate risk

We conduct business in 38 currencies through our worldwide operations and, as such, we are exposed to foreign currency risk. Foreign currency risks are associated with our cash and cash equivalents, investments, receivables, and payables denominated in foreign currencies. Our exposure to foreign currency transaction gains

and losses is the result of certain net receivables due from our foreign subsidiaries and customers being denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the subsidiary, primarily the Euro and Singapore dollar. Our foreign subsidiaries conduct their businesses in local currency. We have entered into foreign exchange forward contracts with up to six months in duration, to offset the foreign exchange risk on certain monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the subsidiary. We considered the historical trends in currency exchange rates and determined that it was reasonably possible that adverse changes in exchange rates for all currencies could be experienced. The estimated impacts of a five or ten percent appreciation or depreciation in value are as follows:

Foreign Forward Exchange Contracts	Value of Contracts Given X% Appreciation of Foreign Currency		Notional Amount	Value of Contracts Given X% Depreciation of Foreign Currency	
	10%	5%		(5)%	(10)%
	(Dollars in millions)				
Purchased, March 28, 2014	\$ 168	\$ 161	\$ 154	\$ 146	\$ 137
Sold, March 28, 2014	\$ 218	\$ 228	\$ 240	\$ 252	\$ 266

We do not use derivative financial instruments for speculative trading purposes, nor do we hedge our foreign currency exposure in a manner that entirely offsets the effects of the changes in foreign exchange rates.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

Annual financial statements

The Consolidated Financial Statements and related disclosures included in Part IV, Item 15 of this annual report are incorporated by reference into this Item 8.

Selected quarterly financial data

	Fiscal 2014				Fiscal 2013			
	Mar. 28, 2014	Dec. 27, 2013	Sep. 27, 2013	Jun. 28, 2013	Mar. 29, 2013	Dec. 28, 2012	Sep. 28, 2012	Jun. 29, 2012
	(In millions, except per share data)							
Net revenue	\$ 1,625	\$ 1,705	\$ 1,637	\$ 1,709	\$ 1,748	\$ 1,791	\$ 1,699	\$ 1,668
Gross profit	1,343	1,422	1,353	1,409	1,440	1,492	1,415	1,384
Operating income	306	405	248	224	255	304	297	250
Net income	217	283	241	157	190	216	189	160
Less: Income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net income attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders	<u>\$ 217</u>	<u>\$ 283</u>	<u>\$ 241</u>	<u>\$ 157</u>	<u>\$ 190</u>	<u>\$ 216</u>	<u>\$ 189</u>	<u>\$ 160</u>
Net income per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — basic	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.22
Net income per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — diluted	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.22

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The SEC defines the term “disclosure controls and procedures” to mean a company’s controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that it files or submits 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 an issuer in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the issuer’s management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management. Our management (with the participation of our interim Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer) has conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act). Based on such evaluation, our interim Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level as of the end of the period covered by this report.

b) Management’s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act) for Symantec. Our management, with the participation of our interim Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, has conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of March 28, 2014, based on criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework (1992) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (“COSO”).

Our management has concluded that, as of March 28, 2014, our internal control over financial reporting was effective based on these criteria.

The Company’s independent registered public accounting firm has issued an attestation report regarding its assessment of the Company’s internal control over financial reporting as of March 28, 2014, which is included in Part IV, Item 15 of this annual report.

c) Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 28, 2014 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

d) Limitations on Effectiveness of Controls

Our management, including our interim Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal controls will prevent all errors 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. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of

the inherent limitations in 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.

Item 9B. *Other Information*

None.

PART III

Item 10. *Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance*

The information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this annual report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from Symantec's definitive proxy statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A.

Item 11. *Executive Compensation*

The information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this annual report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from Symantec's definitive proxy statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A.

Item 12. *Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters*

The information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this annual report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from Symantec's definitive proxy statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A.

Item 13. *Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence*

The information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this annual report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from Symantec's definitive proxy statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A.

Item 14. *Principal Accountant Fees and Services*

The information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this annual report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from Symantec's definitive proxy statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules

Upon written request, we will provide, without charge, a copy of this annual report, including the Consolidated Financial Statements and financial statement schedule. All requests should be sent to:

Symantec Corporation
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350 Ellis Street
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650-527-8000

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3. Exhibits: The information required by this Item is set forth in the Exhibit Index that follows the signature page of this Annual Report.	

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders
Symantec Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Symantec Corporation and subsidiaries as of March 28, 2014 and March 29, 2013, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended March 28, 2014. In connection with our audits of the consolidated financial statements, we have also audited the related financial statement schedule listed in Item 15. We also have audited the internal control over financial reporting of Symantec Corporation as of March 28, 2014, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (1992)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Management of Symantec Corporation is responsible for these consolidated financial statements, the financial statement schedule, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting appearing under Item 9A.b). Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements, the financial statement schedule and an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting of Symantec Corporation based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the consolidated financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed 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. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Symantec Corporation and subsidiaries as of March 28, 2014 and March 29, 2013, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended March 28, 2014, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein. Also in our opinion, Symantec Corporation maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of March 28, 2014, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (1992)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

As discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, Symantec Corporation has elected to change its method of accounting for sales commissions. The adoption of this accounting policy change has been applied retrospectively to all periods presented.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Santa Clara, California
May 16, 2014

SYMANTEC CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013
	(In millions, except par value)	
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,707	\$ 4,685
Short-term investments	377	62
Trade accounts receivable, net	1,007	1,031
Inventories, net	14	24
Deferred income taxes	142	169
Deferred commissions	115	130
Other current assets	290	315
Total current assets	5,652	6,416
Property and equipment, net	1,116	1,122
Intangible assets, net	768	977
Goodwill	5,858	5,841
Long-term deferred commissions	21	29
Other long-term assets	124	123
Total assets	\$ 13,539	\$ 14,508
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 282	\$ 334
Accrued compensation and benefits	365	422
Deferred revenue	3,322	3,496
Current portion of long-term debt	-	997
Other current liabilities	337	318
Total current liabilities	4,306	5,567
Long-term debt	2,095	2,094
Long-term deferred revenue	581	584
Long-term deferred tax liabilities	425	409
Long-term income taxes payable	252	318
Other long-term obligations	83	60
Total liabilities	7,742	9,032
Commitments and contingencies (Note 8)		
Stockholders' equity:		
Symantec Corporation stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 3,000 shares authorized; 909 and 912 shares issued; 695 and 698 shares outstanding, respectively	7	7
Additional paid-in capital	6,744	7,313
Accumulated other comprehensive income	194	202
Accumulated deficit	(1,148)	(2,046)
Total Symantec Corporation stockholders' equity	5,797	5,476
Noncontrolling interest in subsidiary	-	-
Total stockholders' equity	5,797	5,476
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 13,539	\$ 14,508

The accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

SYMANTEC CORPORATION

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
	(In millions, except per share data)		
Net revenue:			
Content, subscription, and maintenance	\$ 5,960	\$ 6,021	\$ 5,823
License	716	885	907
Total net revenue	6,676	6,906	6,730
Cost of revenue:			
Content, subscription, and maintenance	1,008	1,017	943
License	87	89	48
Amortization of intangible assets	54	69	91
Total cost of revenue	1,149	1,175	1,082
Gross profit	5,527	5,731	5,648
Operating expenses:			
Sales and marketing	2,435	2,752	2,789
Research and development	1,038	1,012	969
General and administrative	445	450	437
Amortization of intangible assets	156	286	289
Restructuring and transition	270	125	56
Impairment of intangible assets	-	-	4
Total operating expenses	4,344	4,625	4,544
Operating income	1,183	1,106	1,104
Interest income	12	12	13
Interest expense	(84)	(139)	(115)
Other income (expense), net	45	27	(6)
Loss from joint venture	-	-	(27)
Gain from sale of joint venture	-	-	526
Income before income taxes	1,156	1,006	1,495
Provision for income taxes	258	251	308
Net income	\$ 898	\$ 755	\$ 1,187
Less: Income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	-	-	-
Net income attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders	\$ 898	\$ 755	\$ 1,187
Net income per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — basic	\$ 1.29	\$ 1.08	\$ 1.60
Net income per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — diluted	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.06	\$ 1.59
Weighted-average shares outstanding attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — basic	696	701	741
Weighted-average shares outstanding attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — diluted	704	711	748
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.60	\$ -	\$ -

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SYMANTEC CORPORATION

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
	(Dollars in millions)		
Net income	\$ 898	\$ 755	\$ 1,187
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes:			
Foreign currency translation adjustments:			
Translation adjustments	1	5	2
Reclassification adjustments for gain included in net income	4	2	3
Net foreign currency translation adjustments	5	7	5
Available-for-sale securities:			
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, net of taxes of \$1 million, \$11 million, and \$0 million for fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively	1	15	-
Reclassification adjustments for realized gain included in net income, net of taxes of \$(10) million, \$0 million and \$0 million for fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively	(14)	-	-
Net change in unrealized gain (loss) on available-for-sale securities	(13)	15	-
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes	(8)	22	5
Comprehensive income	890	777	1,192
Less: Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	-	(2)	2
Comprehensive income attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders	\$ 890	\$ 779	\$ 1,190

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SYMANTEC CORPORATION

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Accumulated Earnings (Deficit)	Total Symantec Corporation Stockholders' Equity	Noncontrolling Interest in Subsidiary	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount						
	(In millions)							
Balances as of April 1, 2011	758	\$ 8	\$8,361	\$175	\$(3,986)	\$4,558	\$ 77	\$4,635
Net income	-	-	-	-	1,187	1,187	-	1,187
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	3	-	3	2	5
Issuance of common stock								
under employee stock plans	11	-	147	-	-	147	-	147
Repurchases of common stock	(51)	(1)	(892)	-	-	(893)	-	(893)
Tax payments related to restricted stock units	6	-	(41)	-	-	(41)	-	(41)
Stock-based compensation, net of estimated forfeitures	-	-	161	-	-	161	-	161
Income tax benefit from employee stock transactions	-	-	30	-	-	30	-	30
Dividend declared to noncontrolling interest in subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1)	(1)
Adjustments to goodwill related to stock options assumed in business combination	-	-	7	-	-	7	-	7
Balances as of March 30, 2012	724	7	7,773	178	(2,799)	5,159	78	5,237
Net income	-	-	-	-	755	755	-	755
Other comprehensive income (loss)	-	-	-	24	-	24	(2)	22
Issuance of common stock								
under employee stock plans	17	-	281	-	-	281	-	281
Repurchases of common stock	(49)	-	(826)	-	-	(826)	-	(826)
Tax payments related to restricted stock units	6	-	(36)	-	-	(36)	-	(36)
Stock-based compensation, net of estimated forfeitures	-	-	165	-	-	165	-	165
Income tax benefit from employee stock transactions	-	-	(11)	-	-	(11)	-	(11)
Purchase of additional equity interest in subsidiary	-	-	(33)	-	(2)	(35)	(76)	(111)
Balances as of March 29, 2013	698	7	7,313	202	(2,046)	5,476	-	5,476
Net income	-	-	-	-	898	898	-	898
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(8)	-	(8)	-	(8)
Issuance of common stock								
under employee stock plans	18	-	234	-	-	234	-	234
Repurchases of common stock	(21)	-	(500)	-	-	(500)	-	(500)
Tax payments related to restricted stock units	-	-	(45)	-	-	(45)	-	(45)
Dividends paid and accrued	-	-	(429)	-	-	(429)	-	(429)
Stock-based compensation, net of estimated forfeitures	-	-	157	-	-	157	-	157
Income tax benefit from employee stock transactions	-	-	14	-	-	14	-	14
Balances as of March 28, 2014	695	\$ 7	\$6,744	\$194	\$(1,148)	\$5,797	\$ -	\$5,797

The accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

SYMANTEC CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
	(Dollars in millions)		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net income	\$ 898	\$ 755	\$ 1,187
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	281	283	273
Amortization of intangible assets	210	355	380
Amortization of debt issuance costs and discounts	7	60	59
Stock-based compensation expense	156	164	164
Deferred income taxes	47	31	25
Excess income tax benefit from the exercise of stock options	(17)	(11)	(8)
Net gain from sale of short-term investments	(32)	-	-
Impairment of intangible assets	-	-	4
Net gain from sale of joint venture	-	-	(526)
Loss from joint venture	-	-	27
Liquidation of foreign entities	-	2	3
Other	8	14	(1)
Net change in assets and liabilities, excluding effects of acquisitions:			
Trade accounts receivable, net	30	(107)	89
Inventories, net	10	4	2
Deferred commissions	26	17	(25)
Accounts payable	(75)	33	30
Accrued compensation and benefits	(58)	12	(31)
Deferred revenue	(223)	119	177
Income taxes payable	7	(31)	39
Other assets	(21)	(68)	(14)
Other liabilities	27	(39)	47
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,281	1,593	1,901
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Purchases of property and equipment	(260)	(336)	(286)
Cash payments for acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(17)	(28)	(508)
Purchases of equity investments	-	-	(10)
Proceeds from sale of joint venture	-	-	530
Purchases of short-term investments	(492)	-	(47)
Proceeds from maturity and sales of short-term investments	186	46	3
Other	-	(1)	-
Net cash used in investing activities	(583)	(319)	(318)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Repayments of debt and other obligations	(1,189)	-	(607)
Proceeds from convertible note hedge	189	-	-
Net proceeds from sales of common stock under employee stock benefit plans	234	281	147
Excess income tax benefit from the exercise of stock options	17	11	8
Tax payments related to restricted stock units	(45)	(36)	(41)
Dividends paid, net	(418)	-	-
Repurchases of common stock	(500)	(826)	(893)
Purchase of additional equity interest in subsidiary	-	(111)	-
Proceeds from debt issuance, net of discount	-	996	-
Debt issuance costs	-	(7)	-
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(1,712)	308	(1,386)
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash and cash equivalents	36	(59)	15
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(978)	1,523	212
Beginning cash and cash equivalents	4,685	3,162	2,950
Ending cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,707	\$ 4,685	\$ 3,162
Income taxes paid (net of refunds)	\$ 224	\$ 252	\$ 234
Interest expense paid	\$ 79	\$ 69	\$ 56

The accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

SYMANTEC CORPORATION

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Business

Symantec Corporation (“we,” “us,” “our,” and “the Company” refer to Symantec Corporation and all of its subsidiaries) is an information protection expert that helps people, businesses and governments seeking the freedom to unlock the opportunities technology brings – anytime, anywhere.

Principles of consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of Symantec Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries are prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States. Noncontrolling interest positions of certain of our consolidated entities are reported as a separate component of consolidated equity from the equity attributable to our stockholders for fiscal 2013 and 2012. In fiscal 2013, an entity in which we held a noncontrolling interest became a wholly-owned subsidiary, see Note 14 for details. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. Certain amounts in 2013 and 2012 Consolidated Financial Statements have been reclassified to be comparable with classifications used in our 2014 Consolidated Financial Statements.

Fiscal calendar

We have a 52/53-week fiscal year ending on the Friday closest to March 31. Our fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012 were 52-week years and our fiscal 2015 will consist of 53 weeks.

Use of estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Estimates are based upon historical factors, current circumstances and the experience and judgment of management. Management evaluates its assumptions and estimates on an ongoing basis and may engage outside subject matter experts to assist in its valuations. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include those related to the allocation of revenue recognized and deferred amounts, valuation of goodwill, intangible assets and long-lived assets, valuation of stock-based compensation, contingencies and litigation, and the recognition and measurement of current and deferred income taxes (including the measurement of uncertain tax positions).

Segment reporting change

We modified our segment reporting structure to match our operating structure and how our Chief Operating Decision Maker (“CODM”) views the business and allocates resources, beginning from the first quarter of fiscal 2014. The CODM function is comprised of our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and President of Products and Services. Reclassifications of prior period financial information have been made to conform to the current period presentation. This change does not impact previously reported Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company. See Note 10 for additional information on our segment reporting change.

Foreign currency

The functional currency of our foreign subsidiaries is generally the local foreign currency. Assets and liabilities denominated in non-functional currencies are remeasured into the functional currencies at current exchange rates, and the gains or losses from such remeasurement are recorded in other income (expense), net. Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the exchange rate on the balance sheet dates. Revenues and expenses are translated using monthly average exchange rates prevailing during the year. The translation adjustments resulting from this process are included as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are established on the cumulative translation adjustment attributable to unremitted foreign earnings that are not intended to be indefinitely reinvested. In the event of liquidation of a foreign subsidiary, the cumulative translation adjustment attributable to that foreign subsidiary is reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income and included in other income (expense), net. For fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, net foreign currency transaction losses were \$6 million for each of the three years. These net losses are included in other income (expense), net, in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

Revenue recognition

We market and distribute our software products both as stand-alone products and as integrated product suites. We recognize revenue when 1) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, 2) delivery has occurred or services have been rendered, 3) fees are fixed or determinable and 4) collectability is probable. If we determine that any one of the four criteria is not met, we will defer recognition of revenue until all the criteria are met.

We derive revenue primarily from sales of content, subscriptions, and maintenance and licenses. We present revenue net of sales taxes and any similar assessments.

Content, subscriptions, and maintenance revenue includes arrangements for software maintenance and technical support for our products, content and subscription services primarily related to our security products, revenue from arrangements where vendor-specific objective evidence (“VSOE”) of the fair value of undelivered elements does not exist, arrangements for managed security services, and Software-as-a-Service (“SaaS”) offerings. These arrangements are generally offered to our customers over a specified period of time, and we recognize the related revenue ratably over the maintenance, subscription, or service period. We enter into perpetual software license agreements through direct sales to customers and indirect sales with distributors and resellers. The license agreements generally include product maintenance agreements, for which the related revenue is included with content, subscriptions, and maintenance and is deferred and recognized ratably over the period of the agreements.

Content, subscriptions, and maintenance revenue also includes professional services revenue, consisting primarily of the fees we earn related to consulting and educational services. We generally recognize revenue from professional services as the services are performed or upon written acceptance from customers, if applicable, assuming all other conditions for revenue recognition noted above have been met.

License revenue is derived primarily from the licensing of our various products and technology. We generally recognize license revenue upon delivery of the product, assuming all other conditions for revenue recognition noted above have been met. License revenue also includes appliance product revenue. We generally recognize appliance product revenue as each product is delivered, assuming all other conditions for revenue recognition noted above have been met.

For software arrangements that include multiple elements, including perpetual software licenses, maintenance, services, and packaged products with content updates and subscriptions, we allocate and defer revenue for the undelivered items based on VSOE of the fair value of the undelivered elements, and recognize the difference between the total arrangement fee and the amount deferred for the undelivered items as license revenue. VSOE of each element is based on historical evidence of our stand-alone sales of these elements to third

parties or from the stated renewal rate for the undelivered elements. When VSOE does not exist for undelivered items, the entire arrangement fee is recognized ratably over the performance period. Our deferred revenue consists primarily of the unamortized balance of enterprise product maintenance, consumer product content updates, managed security services, subscriptions, and arrangements where VSOE does not exist for an undelivered element.

For arrangements that include both software and non-software elements, we allocate revenue to the software deliverables as a group and non-software deliverables based on their relative selling prices. In such circumstances, the accounting principles establish a hierarchy to determine the selling price used for allocating revenue to the deliverables as follows: (i) VSOE, (ii) third-party evidence of selling price (“TPE”) and (iii) the best estimate of the selling price (“ESP”). Our appliance products, SaaS and certain other services are considered to be non-software elements in our arrangements.

When we are unable to establish a selling price using VSOE or TPE, we use ESP in the allocation of arrangement consideration. The objective of ESP is to determine the price at which we would transact a sale if the product or service were sold on a stand-alone basis. The determination of ESP is made through consultation with and formal approval by our management, taking into consideration the go-to-market strategy, pricing factors, and historical transactions.

Indirect channel sales

We sell consumer packaged software products through a multi-tiered distribution channel. For consumer products that include content updates, we recognize revenue ratably over the term of the subscription upon sell-through to end-users, as the subscription period commences on the date of sale to the end-user. For most other consumer products, we recognize packaged product revenue on distributor and reseller channel inventory that is not in excess of specified inventory levels in these channels. We offer the right of return of our products under various policies and programs with our distributors, resellers, and end-user customers. We estimate and record reserves for product returns as an offset to revenue or deferred revenue. We fully reserve for obsolete products in the distribution channel as an offset to deferred revenue for products with content updates and to revenue for all other products.

For security and storage products, we generally recognize revenue from the licensing of software products through our indirect sales channel upon sell-through or with evidence of an end-user. For licensing of our software to Original Equipment Manufacturers (“OEMs”), royalty revenue is recognized when the OEM reports the sale of the software products to an end-user, generally on a quarterly basis. In addition to license royalties, some OEMs pay an annual flat fee and/or support royalties for the right to sell maintenance and technical support to the end-user. We recognize revenue from OEM support royalties and fees ratably over the term of the support agreement.

We offer channel and end-user rebates for our products. Our estimated reserves for channel volume incentive rebates are based on distributors’ and resellers’ actual performance against the terms and conditions of volume incentive rebate programs, which are typically entered into quarterly. Our reserves for end-user rebates are estimated based on the terms and conditions of the promotional program, actual sales during the promotion, the amount of actual redemptions received, historical redemption trends by product and by type of promotional program, and the value of the rebate. We estimate and record reserves for channel and end-user rebates as an offset to revenue or deferred revenue. As of March 28, 2014 and March 29, 2013, we had reserves for rebates of \$68 million and \$79 million, respectively. For consumer products that include content updates, rebates are recorded as a ratable offset to revenue or deferred revenue over the term of the subscription.

Immaterial correction of previously provided financial information

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014, we identified a computational error that caused certain low-dollar value, multi-year maintenance agreements to be amortized over a period shorter than their contractual term that resulted

in an understatement of deferred revenue that affected multiple accounting periods. We corrected the error by (i) adjusting our April 1, 2011 stockholders' equity balance to correct misstatements in years prior to fiscal 2012 and (ii) recognizing an adjustment in our fiscal 2014 Consolidated Statements of Income to correct misstatements in fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012. The adjustment recognized in the fourth quarter of our fiscal 2014 Consolidated Statements of Income reduced revenue by \$28 million and net income by \$22 million. The adjustment related to years prior to fiscal 2012 decreased stockholders' equity by \$49 million and increased long-term deferred revenue by \$67 million as of April 1, 2011. The errors were not material to the Consolidated Statements of Income in our fiscal years 2013 and 2012 or the quarters in our fiscal year 2014. The adjustment to correct the cumulative misstatement to stockholders' equity was also not material as of April 1, 2011.

The following table presents the changes to financial statement line items to correct the cumulative misstatement in our fiscal 2012 Consolidated Balance Sheet:

	As of March 30, 2012		
	As Reported	Adjustment	As Adjusted
	(Dollars in millions)		
Long-term deferred revenue	\$ 529	\$ 67	\$ 596
Long-term deferred tax liabilities	\$ 288	\$ (18)	\$ 270
Accumulated deficit ⁽¹⁾	\$ (2,859)	\$ 60	\$ (2,799)

⁽¹⁾ Adjustment includes a decrease of \$109 million to accumulated deficit related to change in accounting policy for sales commissions, offset by an increase of \$49 million related to the correction in deferred revenue. See sales commissions policy below.

The misstatement did not affect our balance of cash and cash equivalents and as a result did not change net cash flows from operating, investing, or financing activities in our Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows.

Financial instruments

For assets and liabilities measured at fair value, such amounts are based on an expected exit price representing the amount that would be received on the sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability, as the case may be, in an orderly transaction between market participants. As such, fair value may be based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. The authoritative guidance on fair value measurements establishes a consistent framework for measuring fair value on either a recurring or nonrecurring basis whereby inputs used in valuation techniques are assigned a hierarchical level.

The following methods were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

Cash equivalents. We consider all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are carried at amounts that approximate fair value due to the short period of time to maturity.

Short-term investments. Short-term investments consist of marketable equity and investment securities that are classified as available-for-sale and recognized at fair value using Level 1 and Level 2 inputs, which are quoted using market prices, independent pricing vendors, or other sources, to determine the fair value. Unrealized gains and losses, net of tax, are included in accumulated other comprehensive income. We regularly review our investment portfolio to identify and evaluate investments that have indications of impairment. Factors considered in determining whether a loss is other-than-temporary include: the length of time and extent to which the fair value has been lower than the cost basis, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the investee, credit quality, likelihood of recovery, and our ability to hold the investment for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in market value.

Equity investments. We make equity investments in privately-held companies whose businesses are complementary to our business. These investments are accounted for under the cost method of accounting, as we hold less than 20% of the voting stock outstanding and do not exert significant influence over these companies. The investments are included in other long-term assets. We assess the recoverability of these investments by reviewing various indicators of impairment. If indicators are present, a fair value measurement is made by performing a discounted cash flow analysis of the investment. If a decline in value is determined to be other-than-temporary, impairment would be recognized and included in other income (expense), net. As of March 28, 2014 and March 29, 2013, we held equity investments in privately-held companies of \$13 million and \$14 million, respectively.

Debt. Our debt has included senior unsecured notes, convertible senior notes, and a revolving credit facility. Our senior unsecured notes are recorded at cost based upon par value at issuance less discounts. The discount associated with our senior unsecured notes represents the amount by which the face value exceeds the issuance price. The discount and issuance costs (recognized initially in the other long-term assets) are amortized using the effective interest rate method over the term of the debt as a non-cash charge to interest expense. Borrowings under our \$1.0 billion senior unsecured revolving credit facility (“credit facility”) would be recognized at cost plus accrued interest based upon stated interest rates.

Trade accounts receivable

Trade accounts receivable are recorded at the invoiced amount and are not interest bearing. We maintain an allowance for doubtful accounts to reserve for potentially uncollectible trade receivables. Additions to the allowance for doubtful accounts are recorded as general and administrative expenses. We review our trade receivables by aging category to identify specific customers with known disputes or collectability issues. In addition, we maintain an allowance for all other receivables not included in the specific reserve by applying specific percentages of projected uncollectible receivables to the various aging categories. In determining these percentages, we analyze our historical collection experience and current economic trends. We exercise judgment when determining the adequacy of these reserves as we evaluate historical bad debt trends, general economic conditions in the U.S. and internationally, and changes in customer financial conditions. We also offset deferred revenue against accounts receivable when channel inventories are in excess of specified levels and for transactions where collection of a receivable is not considered probable.

The following table summarizes trade accounts receivable, net of allowances and reserves, for the periods presented:

	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013
	(Dollars in millions)	
Trade accounts receivable	\$ 1,034	\$ 1,054
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(7)	(5)
Reserve for product returns	(20)	(18)
Trade accounts receivable, net	<u>\$ 1,007</u>	<u>\$ 1,031</u>

Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost or market. Cost is principally determined using the first-in, first-out method. Adjustments to reduce the cost of inventory to its net realizable value are made, if required, for estimated excess, obsolescence or impaired balances. Inventory predominantly consists of deferred costs of revenue and finished goods. Deferred costs of revenue were \$9 million as of March 28, 2014 and \$15 million as of March 29, 2013. Finished goods were \$10 million as of March 28, 2014 and \$11 million as of March 29, 2013.

Property and equipment

Property, equipment, and leasehold improvements are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation. We capitalize costs incurred during the application development stage related to the development of internal use software and enterprise cloud computing services. We expense costs incurred related to the planning and post-implementation phases of development as incurred. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives. Estimated useful lives for financial reporting purposes are as follows: buildings, 20 to 30 years; leasehold improvements, the lesser of the life of the improvement or the initial lease term; computer hardware and software, and office furniture and equipment, 3 to 5 years.

The following table summarizes property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation by categories for the periods presented:

	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013
	(Dollars in millions)	
Computer hardware and software	\$ 1,797	\$ 1,820
Office furniture and equipment	140	172
Buildings	539	530
Leasehold improvements	356	310
	<u>2,832</u>	<u>2,832</u>
Accumulated depreciation	(1,823)	(1,853)
	<u>1,009</u>	<u>979</u>
Construction in progress	28	64
Land	79	79
Total	<u>\$ 1,116</u>	<u>\$ 1,122</u>

Depreciation expense was \$281 million, \$283 million, and \$273 million in fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively.

Business combinations

We use the acquisition method of accounting under the authoritative guidance on business combinations. Each acquired company's operating results are included in our Consolidated Financial Statements starting on the date of acquisition. The purchase price is equivalent to the fair value of consideration transferred. Tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the date of acquisition are recorded at the acquisition date fair value. Goodwill is recognized for the excess of purchase price over the net fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

Amounts allocated to assets and liabilities are based upon fair values. Such valuations require management to make significant estimates and assumptions, especially with respect to the identifiable intangible assets. Management makes estimates of fair value based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable and that of a market participant. These estimates are based on historical experience and information obtained from the management of the acquired companies and the estimates are inherently uncertain. The separately identifiable intangible assets generally include developed technology, customer relationships and trade names. We estimate the fair value of deferred revenue related to product support assumed in connection with acquisitions. The estimated fair value of deferred revenue is determined by estimating the costs related to fulfilling the obligations plus a normal profit margin. The estimated costs to fulfill the support contracts are based on the historical direct costs related to providing the support.

For any given acquisition, we may identify certain pre-acquisition contingencies. We estimate the fair value of such contingencies, which are included under the acquisition method as part of the assets acquired or liabilities assumed, as appropriate. Differences from these estimates are recorded in our Consolidated Statements of Income in the period in which they are identified.

Goodwill and intangible assets

Goodwill. Our methodology for allocating the purchase price relating to acquisitions is determined through established valuation techniques. Goodwill is measured as the excess of the cost of the acquisition over the sum of the amounts assigned to tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired less liabilities assumed. We review goodwill for impairment for each reporting unit on an annual basis during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value of goodwill may be impaired. A qualitative assessment is first made to determine whether it is necessary to perform quantitative testing. This initial assessment includes, among others, consideration of: (i) past, current and projected future earnings and equity; (ii) recent trends and market conditions; and (iii) valuation metrics involving similar companies that are publicly-traded and acquisitions of similar companies, if available. If this initial qualitative assessment indicates that it is more likely than not that impairment exists, a second analysis is performed, involving a comparison between the estimated fair values of our reporting units with their respective carrying amounts including goodwill. If the carrying value exceeds estimated fair value, there is an indication of potential impairment, and a third analysis is performed to measure the amount of impairment. The third analysis involves calculating an implied fair value of goodwill by measuring the excess of the estimated fair value of the reporting unit over the aggregate estimated fair values of the individual assets less liabilities. If the carrying value of goodwill exceeds the implied fair value of goodwill, an impairment charge is recorded for the excess.

To determine the reporting units' fair values in the second step, we would use the income approach which is based on the estimated discounted future cash flows of that reporting unit. The estimated fair value of each reporting unit under the income approach is corroborated with the market approach which measures the value of a business through an analysis of recent sales or offerings of a comparable entity. We also consider our market capitalization on the date of the analysis to ensure the reasonableness of the sum of our reporting units' estimated fair value.

Our cash flow assumptions are based on historical and forecasted revenue, operating costs, and other relevant factors. To determine the reporting units' carrying values, we allocated assets and liabilities based on either specific identification or by using judgment for the remaining assets and liabilities that are not specific to a reporting unit. Goodwill was allocated to the reporting units based on a combination of specific identification and relative fair values.

Intangible assets. In connection with our acquisitions, we generally recognize assets for customer relationships, developed technology (which consists of acquired product rights, technologies, databases, and contracts), in-process research and development, trademarks, and trade names. Indefinite-lived intangible assets are not subject to amortization. Finite-lived intangible assets are carried at cost less accumulated amortization. Such amortization is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets, generally from one to eleven years. Amortization for developed technology is recognized in cost of revenue. Amortization for customer relationships and certain trade names is recognized in operating expenses.

We assess the impairment of identifiable intangible assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that an asset group's carrying amount may not be recoverable. Recoverability of certain finite-lived intangible assets, particularly customer relationships and finite-lived trade names, would be measured by the comparison of the carrying amount of the asset group to which the assets are assigned to the sum of the undiscounted estimated future cash flows the asset group is expected to generate. If an asset is considered to be impaired, such amount would be measured as the difference between the carrying amount of the asset and its fair

value. Recoverability and impairment of other finite-lived intangible assets, particularly developed technology and patents, would be measured by the comparison of the carrying amount of the asset to the sum of undiscounted estimated future product revenues offset by estimated future costs to dispose of the product. In addition, for indefinite-lived intangible assets, we review such assets for impairment on an annual basis consistent with the timing of the annual evaluation for goodwill. Similar to goodwill impairment testing, a qualitative assessment is first made to determine whether it is necessary to perform quantitative testing. This initial assessment includes, among others, consideration of: (i) past, current and projected future revenues; (ii) recent trends and market conditions, including discount rates among others; and (iii) valuation metrics, such as royalty rates, involving similar companies that are publicly-traded, if available. If this initial qualitative assessment indicates that it is more likely than not that impairment exists, a second step analysis is performed, involving a comparison between the fair values of the asset or asset group with its respective carrying amounts and the impairment amount is measured as the excess of the carrying amount over the fair value. These assets generally include trade names and trademarks. Recoverability of indefinite-lived intangible assets would be measured by the comparison of the carrying amount of the asset to the sum of the discounted estimated future cash flows the asset or asset group is expected to generate. If an asset group is considered to be impaired, such amount would be measured as the difference between the carrying amount of the asset group and its fair value. Our cash flow assumptions are based on historical and future revenue, operating costs, and other relevant factors. Assumptions and estimates about the remaining useful lives of our intangible assets are subjective and are affected by changes to our business strategies. These estimates may be subject to change.

Restructuring

Restructuring actions generally include significant actions involving employee-related severance charges and contract termination costs. Employee-related severance charges are largely based upon substantive severance plans, while some are mandated requirements in certain foreign jurisdictions. These charges are reflected in the period when both the actions are probable and the amounts are estimable. Contract termination costs for leased facilities primarily reflect costs that will continue to be incurred under the contract for its remaining term without economic benefit to the Company. These charges are reflected in the period when the facility ceases to be used.

Income taxes

The provision for income taxes is computed using the asset and liability method, under which deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities, and for operating loss and tax credit carryforwards in each jurisdiction in which we operate. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using the currently enacted tax rates that apply to taxable income in effect for the years in which those tax assets are expected to be realized or settled. We record a valuation allowance to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount that is believed more likely than not to be realized.

We are required to compute our income taxes in each federal, state, and international jurisdiction in which we operate. This process requires that we estimate the current tax exposure as well as assess temporary differences between the accounting and tax treatment of assets and liabilities, including items such as accruals and allowances not currently deductible for tax purposes. The income tax effects of the differences we identify are classified as current or long-term deferred tax assets and liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. Our judgments, assumptions, and estimates relative to the current provision for income tax take into account current tax laws, our interpretation of current tax laws, and possible outcomes of current and future audits conducted by foreign and domestic tax authorities. Changes in tax laws or our interpretation of tax laws and the resolution of current and future tax audits could significantly impact the amounts provided for income taxes in our Consolidated Balance Sheets and Consolidated Statements of Income. We must also assess the likelihood that deferred tax assets will be realized from future taxable income and, based on this assessment, establish a valuation allowance, if required. Our determination of our valuation allowance is based upon a number of

assumptions, judgments, and estimates, including forecasted earnings, future taxable income, and the relative proportions of revenue and income before taxes in the various domestic and international jurisdictions in which we operate. To the extent we establish a valuation allowance or change the valuation allowance in a period, we reflect the change with a corresponding increase or decrease to our tax provision in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

We apply the authoritative guidance on income taxes that prescribes a minimum recognition threshold a tax position is required to meet before being recognized in the consolidated financial statements. It also provides guidance on derecognition, measurement, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition.

This guidance prescribes a two-step process to determine the amount of tax benefit to be recognized. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step requires us to estimate and measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely to be realized upon ultimate settlement. It is inherently difficult and subjective to estimate such amounts, as this requires us to determine the probability of various possible outcomes. We reevaluate these uncertain tax positions on a quarterly basis. This evaluation is based on factors including, but not limited to, changes in facts or circumstances, changes in tax law, effectively settled issues under audit, and new audit activity. Such a change in recognition or measurement would result in the recognition of a tax benefit or an additional charge to the tax provision in the period.

Stock-based compensation

Stock-based compensation is measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and is generally recognized as expense ratably on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period, which is generally the vesting period of the respective award. No compensation cost is ultimately recognized for awards for which employees do not render the requisite service and are forfeited. As a result, judgment is required in estimating the amount of stock-based awards that are expected to be forfeited. Although we estimate forfeitures based on historical experience, actual forfeitures may differ. If actual results differ significantly from these estimates, stock-based compensation expense and our results of operations could be materially impacted when we record an adjustment for the difference in the period that the awards vest or are forfeited.

Fair value of stock-based awards. We have five types of stock-based awards: stock options, restricted stock units, restricted stock awards, performance-based restricted stock units, and performance-contingent stock units. The fair value methodologies and the assumptions and inputs used to derive those fair values are the following:

- *Stock options.* We use the Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model (“BSM model”) to determine the fair value of stock options. The determination of the grant date fair value of options using an option pricing model is affected by our stock price as well as assumptions regarding a number of complex and subjective variables. These variables include our expected stock price volatility over the expected life of the awards, actual and projected employee stock option exercise and cancellation behaviors, risk-free interest rates and expected dividends. We estimate the expected life of options granted based on an analysis of our historical experience of employee exercise and post-vesting termination behavior considered in relation to the contractual life of the option. Expected volatility is based on the average of historical volatility for the period commensurate with the expected life of the option and the implied volatility of traded options. The risk-free interest rate is equal to the U.S. Treasury constant maturity rates for the period equal to the expected life. If options are granted or assumed without dividend-equivalent rights, the fair values are discounted by the dividend yield.
- *Restricted stock units and restricted stock awards.* The fair value of each Restricted Stock Unit (“RSU”) and Restricted Stock Award (“RSA”) is equal to the market value of Symantec’s common stock on the date of grant. Because the Company’s RSUs and RSAs include dividend-equivalent rights, the fair values are not discounted by the dividend yield.

- *Performance-based restricted stock units and performance-contingent stock units.* We use the Monte Carlo simulation option pricing model (“Monte Carlo model”) to determine the fair value of each performance-based restricted stock unit (“PRU”) and the fair value and derived service period of each performance-contingent stock unit (“PCSU”). The determination of the grant date fair value and derived service periods using a simulation model is affected by our stock price as well as assumptions regarding a number of complex and subjective variables. These variables include our expected stock price volatility over the expected life of the awards, risk-free interest rates and expected dividends. Expected volatility is based on the average of historical volatility for the period commensurate with the expected life of the PRUs and PCSUs. The risk-free interest rate is equal to the U.S. Treasury constant maturity rates for the period equal to the expected life. For all periods prior to Fiscal 2014 we did not pay cash dividends on our common stock, and therefore our expected dividend rate was zero for all such periods presented. For awards granted on or subsequent to June 27, 2013, we used an annualized dividend yield based on the per share dividends declared by our board of directors. The compensation expense for PRUs is initially based on the probability of achieving the target level of the company-specific performance condition, and is adjusted for subsequent changes in the estimated or actual outcome of this performance condition. The compensation expense for PCSUs is amortized ratably using the graded vesting attribution method over the derived service periods. Because the Company’s granted PRUs and PCSUs include dividend-equivalent rights, the fair values of PRUs are not discounted by the dividend yield.

Changes in the valuation assumptions and our related estimates may change the fair value for stock-based compensation and the related expense recognized. There have not been any material changes to our stock-based compensation expense due to changes in our valuation assumptions.

Concentrations of credit risk

A significant portion of our revenue and net income is derived from international sales and independent agents and distributors. Fluctuations of the U.S. dollar against foreign currencies, changes in local regulatory or economic conditions, piracy, or nonperformance by independent agents or distributors could adversely affect operating results.

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, and trade accounts receivable. Our investment policy limits the amount of credit risk exposure to any one issuer and to any one country. We are exposed to credit risks in the event of default by the issuers to the extent of the amount recorded in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The credit risk in our trade accounts receivable is substantially mitigated by our credit evaluation process, reasonably short collection terms, and the geographical dispersion of sales transactions. We maintain reserves for potential credit losses and such losses have been within management’s expectations. See Note 10 for details of significant customers.

Advertising and other promotional costs

Advertising and other promotional costs are charged to operations as incurred and included in operating expenses. These costs totaled \$451 million, \$594 million, and \$667 million for fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively.

Contingencies

We evaluate contingent liabilities including threatened or pending litigation and government investigations in accordance with the authoritative guidance on contingencies. We assess the likelihood of any adverse judgments or outcomes from potential claims or proceedings, as well as potential ranges of probable losses, when the outcomes of the claims or proceedings are probable and reasonably estimable. A determination of the amount of accrued liabilities required, if any, for these contingencies is made after the analysis of each separate matter. Because of uncertainties related to these matters, we base our estimates on the information available at the time

of our assessment. As additional information becomes available, we reassess the potential liability related to our pending claims, litigation and government investigations, and may revise our estimates. Any revisions in the estimates of potential liabilities could have a material impact on our operating results and financial position.

Sales Commissions

Effective March 30, 2013, we changed our accounting policy for sales commissions that are incremental and directly related to customer sales contracts in which revenue is deferred. These commission costs are accrued and capitalized upon execution of a non-cancelable customer contract, and subsequently expensed over the term of such contract in proportion to the related future revenue streams. For commission costs where revenue is recognized, the related commission costs are recorded in the period of revenue recognition. Prior to this change in accounting policy, commission costs were expensed in the period in which they were incurred. The adoption of this accounting policy change has been applied retrospectively to all periods presented in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, in which the cumulative effect of the change has been reflected as of the beginning of the first period presented. Deferred commissions as of March 28, 2014 and March 29, 2013 were \$136 million and \$159 million, respectively. During the year ended March 28, 2014, we capitalized \$172 million of commission costs and amortized \$195 million to sales expense, respectively. During the years ended March 29, 2013, and March 30, 2012, we deferred \$190 million and \$210 million of commission costs and amortized \$208 million and \$186 million to sales expense, respectively.

We believe this change in accounting policy is preferable as the direct and incremental commission costs are closely related to the revenue, and therefore they should be recorded as an asset and recognized as an expense over the same period that the related revenue is recognized.

The cumulative effect of the change on accumulated deficit was \$98 million as of April 1, 2011. The cumulative effect of the change on accumulated deficit and accumulated other comprehensive income was \$109 million and \$3 million, respectively, as of March 30, 2012. The following tables present the changes to financial statement line items as a result of the accounting change for the periods presented in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements:

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

	March 29, 2013		
	As Reported	Adjustment	As Adjusted
	(Dollars in millions)		
Deferred income taxes	\$ 198	\$ (29)	\$ 169
Deferred commissions	\$ -	\$ 130	\$ 130
Long-term deferred commissions	\$ -	\$ 29	\$ 29
Other long-term assets	\$ 124	\$ (1)	\$ 123
Other current liabilities	\$ 313	\$ 5	\$ 318
Long-term deferred tax liabilities ⁽¹⁾	\$ 403	\$ 6	\$ 409
Accumulated other comprehensive income ⁽¹⁾	\$ 197	\$ 5	\$ 202
Accumulated deficit ⁽¹⁾	\$ (2,096)	\$ 50	\$ (2,046)

⁽¹⁾ Adjustment includes a decrease of \$17 million in long-term deferred tax liability, an increase of \$3 million in accumulated other comprehensive income, and an increase of \$49 million in accumulated deficit, related to the correction of the deferred revenue error. See discussion of immaterial correction of previously provided financial information above.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

	Year Ended March 29, 2013			Year Ended March 30, 2012		
	As Reported	Adjustment	As Adjusted	As Reported	Adjustment	As Adjusted
	(In millions, except per share data)					
Operating expenses:						
Sales and marketing	\$ 2,735	\$ 17	\$ 2,752	\$ 2,814	\$ (25)	\$ 2,789
Provision for income taxes	\$ 258	\$ (7)	\$ 251	\$ 298	\$ 10	\$ 308
Net income attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders	\$ 765	\$ (10)	\$ 755	\$ 1,172	\$ 15	\$ 1,187
Net income per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — basic	\$ 1.09	\$ (0.01)	\$ 1.08	\$ 1.58	\$ 0.02	\$ 1.60
Net income per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — diluted	\$ 1.08	\$ (0.02)	\$ 1.06	\$ 1.57	\$ 0.02	\$ 1.59
Weighted-average shares outstanding attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — basic	701	-	701	741	-	741
Weighted-average shares outstanding attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — diluted	711	-	711	748	-	748

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

	Year Ended March 29, 2013			Year Ended March 30, 2012		
	As Reported	Adjustment	As Adjusted	As Reported	Adjustment	As Adjusted
	(Dollars in millions)					
Net income	\$ 765	\$ (10)	\$ 755	\$ 1,172	\$ 15	\$ 1,187
Net foreign currency translation adjustments ⁽¹⁾	\$ 7	\$ -	\$ 7	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 5
Comprehensive income ⁽¹⁾	\$ 789	\$ (10)	\$ 779	\$ 1,174	\$ 16	\$ 1,190

⁽¹⁾ Adjustment includes an increase of \$1 million in net foreign currency and comprehensive income for the year ended March 29, 2013, and an increase of \$2 million in net foreign currency and comprehensive income for the year ended March 30, 2012, related to the correction of the deferred revenue error. See discussion of immaterial correction of previously provided financial information above.

The change in accounting policy does not affect our balance of cash and cash equivalents and as a result did not change net cash flows from operating, investing, or financing activities in our Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended March 29, 2013.

There have been no other material changes in our significant accounting policies for the year ended March 28, 2014, as compared to the significant accounting policies described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 29, 2013, other than as discussed above.

Recently issued authoritative guidance

There was no recently issued authoritative guidance that had a material impact to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Note 2. Fair Value Measurements

For assets and liabilities measured at fair value, such amounts are based on an expected exit price representing the amount that would be received on the sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability, as the case may be, in an orderly transaction between market participants. As such, fair value may be based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. The authoritative guidance on fair value measurements establishes a consistent framework for measuring fair value on either a recurring or nonrecurring basis whereby inputs, used in valuation techniques, are assigned a hierarchical level. The following are the hierarchical levels of inputs to measure fair value:

- *Level 1:* Observable inputs that reflect quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.
- *Level 2:* Observable inputs that reflect quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the assets or liabilities; or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.
- *Level 3:* Unobservable inputs reflecting our own assumptions incorporated in valuation techniques used to determine fair value. These assumptions are required to be consistent with market participant assumptions that are reasonably available.

Assets measured and recorded at fair value on a recurring basis

Cash equivalents. Cash equivalents consist of money market funds that are classified as level 1, and corporate securities and commercial paper classified as level 2, all of which have an original maturity of three months or less, and the carrying amount is a reasonable estimate of fair value.

Other short-term investments. Other short-term investments consist of U.S. government securities with original maturities greater than three months and are classified as recurring level 1. Also included in other short-term investments are commercial paper, federal agency and corporate securities with original maturities greater than three months, which are classified as level 2. Other short-term investments are priced using inputs such as actual trade data, benchmark yields, broker/dealer quotes, and other similar data, which are obtained from quoted market prices, independent pricing vendors, or other sources, to determine the fair value of these assets.

Marketable equity securities. Marketable equity securities are classified as level 1 and are recorded at fair value using quoted prices in active markets for identical assets.

There have been no transfers between fair value measurement levels during fiscal 2014. The following table summarizes our assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis, by level, within the fair value hierarchy:

	March 28, 2014			March 29, 2013		
	Level 1	Level 2	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Total
	(Dollars in millions)					
Cash equivalents	\$2,380	\$ 40	\$2,420	\$3,469	\$ -	\$3,469
Other short-term investments	95	236	331	-	-	-
Marketable equity securities	6	-	6	62	-	62

Assets and liabilities measured and recorded at fair value on a nonrecurring basis

Goodwill. In fiscal 2012, we recorded an impairment of \$19 million as a cumulative-effect adjustment in accumulated deficit, related to an implied fair value measurement made for our former Services reporting unit upon the adoption of a new accounting standard. The valuation technique used to estimate the implied fair value of goodwill was an income approach which relied upon level 3 inputs, which included discounted estimated future cash flows or profit streams.

Indefinite-lived intangible assets. In fiscal 2012, we recorded impairment charges of \$4 million, which reduced the gross carrying value of indefinite-lived trade names. The fair value amounts were derived using an income approach which required level 3 inputs such as discounted estimated future cash flows on profit streams. These impairment charges were due to reductions in expected future cash flows for certain indefinite-lived trade names related to the Information Security segment. These impairment charges were recorded within impairment of intangible assets in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

Disclosure of the Fair Value of Financial Instruments

See Note 6 for information regarding long-term debt including fair value disclosures.

Note 3. Business Combinations

Fiscal 2013

On April 2, 2012, we completed the acquisition of a privately-held provider of mobile application management. In exchange for all of the voting equity interests of the acquired company, we paid a total purchase price of \$28 million in cash. The objective of the acquisition is to extend our enterprise mobility portfolio to include a cross-platform mobile application protection solution to help organizations protect and isolate corporate data and applications across both corporate-owned and personally-owned devices. The results of operations of the acquired company have been included in our User Productivity & Protection segment. Supplemental pro forma information for the acquired company was not material to our financial results and therefore has not been included. The purchase price allocation resulted in goodwill of \$24 million and intangible assets of \$4 million. Goodwill, which is not tax deductible, resulted primarily from our expectation of synergies from the integration of the acquired company's technology into our product offerings. Intangible assets included developed technology and customer relationships, which are amortized over their estimated useful lives of five and nine years, respectively.

Fiscal 2012

Clearwell Systems Inc.

On June 24, 2011, we completed the acquisition of Clearwell Systems Inc. ("Clearwell"), a privately-held provider of eDiscovery solutions. In exchange for all of the voting equity interests of Clearwell, we transferred a total consideration of \$392 million, which consists of \$364 million in cash, net of \$20 million cash acquired, and \$8 million of assumed stock options. The objective of the acquisition was to enhance our eDiscovery, archiving and backup offerings to our customers. The results of operations of Clearwell are included as part of the Information Management segment. Supplemental pro forma information for Clearwell was not material to our financial results and therefore not included.

The following table presents the purchase price allocation included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets (*in millions*):

Net tangible assets ⁽¹⁾	\$	33
Intangible assets ⁽²⁾		154
Goodwill ⁽³⁾		268
Net tax liabilities		<u>(63)</u>
Total purchase price	<u>\$</u>	<u>392</u>

- (1) Net tangible assets included deferred revenue which was adjusted down from \$13 million to \$3 million, representing our estimate of the fair value of the contractual obligation assumed for support services.
- (2) Intangible assets included customer relationships, developed technology, and trade names of \$82 million, \$60 million, and \$12 million, respectively, which are amortized over their estimated useful lives of seven to nine years.
- (3) Goodwill is not tax deductible. The amount resulted primarily from our expectation of synergies from the integration of Clearwell product offerings with our existing product offerings.

Other

In addition to Clearwell, we completed the acquisitions of LiveOffice LLC (“LiveOffice”) and another privately-held company for an aggregate purchase price of \$151 million, which consisted of \$144 million in cash, net of \$7 million cash acquired. The results of operations for the acquired companies have been included in the Information Management segment. Supplemental pro forma information for these acquisitions was not material to our financial results and therefore not included. For fiscal 2012, we recorded acquisition-related transaction costs of \$2 million, which were included in general and administrative expense.

The following table presents the purchase price allocation included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets (*in millions*):

	<u>LiveOffice</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
Acquisition date	January 13, 2012	March 2, 2012	
Net tangible (liabilities) assets ⁽¹⁾	\$ (5)	\$ 2	\$ (3)
Intangible assets ⁽²⁾	51	8	59
Goodwill ⁽³⁾	<u>69</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>95</u>
Total purchase price	<u>\$ 115</u>	<u>\$ 36</u>	<u>\$151</u>

- (1) Net tangible (liabilities) assets included deferred revenue, which was adjusted down from \$12 million to \$6 million, representing our estimate of the fair value of the contractual obligation assumed for support services.
- (2) Intangible assets included primarily developed technology of \$44 million and customer relationships of \$15 million, which are amortized over their estimated useful lives of four to ten years. The weighted-average estimated useful lives were 4.8 years for developed technology and 9.9 years for customer relationships.
- (3) Goodwill is partially tax deductible. The goodwill amount resulted primarily from our expectation of synergies from the integration of the acquisitions’ product offerings with our existing product offerings.

Note 4. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill are as follows:

	User Productivity & Protection	Information Security	Information Management	Total
	(Dollars in millions)			
Net balance as of March 30, 2012	\$ 1,641	\$ 1,473	\$ 2,712	\$ 5,826
Additions ⁽¹⁾	10	14	-	24
Adjustments ⁽²⁾	(2)	(2)	(5)	(9)
Net balance as of March 29, 2013	\$ 1,649	\$ 1,485	\$ 2,707	\$ 5,841
Additions ⁽¹⁾	-	16	-	16
Adjustments ⁽²⁾	-	1	-	1
Net balance as of March 28, 2014	<u>\$ 1,649</u>	<u>\$ 1,502</u>	<u>\$ 2,707</u>	<u>\$ 5,858</u>

⁽¹⁾ Additions due to an acquired business.

⁽²⁾ Adjustments made to goodwill primarily reflect foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations.

Effective in the first quarter of fiscal 2014, we evaluated our segment reporting structure and modified the reporting to match our new operating structure. Our reporting units for goodwill are the same as our reportable operating segments, and the net goodwill balance has been allocated to the reporting units based on their relative fair value. See Note 10 of these Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding the changes related to segment information.

As a result of the change in our segments, we assessed goodwill for impairment immediately prior to the changes to the new reporting units and determined that the estimated fair value of our reporting units exceeded their respective carrying amount including goodwill. Based on the results of our impairment analysis, we do not believe that impairment existed as of the date of the change in our segments.

Intangible assets, net

	March 28, 2014				March 29, 2013			
	Gross Carrying Amount ⁽²⁾	Accumulated Amortization ⁽²⁾	Net Carrying Amount	Weighted- Average Remaining Useful Life	Gross Carrying Amount ⁽²⁾	Accumulated Amortization ⁽²⁾	Net Carrying Amount	Weighted- Average Remaining Useful Life
	(Dollars in millions)							
Customer relationships	\$ 766	\$ (469)	\$ 297	3 years	\$ 2,157	\$ (1,718)	\$ 439	2 years
Developed technology	287	(142)	145	4 years	377	(180)	197	4 years
Finite-lived tradenames	125	(103)	22	2 years	125	(89)	36	2 years
Patents	21	(14)	7	4 years	21	(13)	8	5 years
Indefinite-lived tradenames ⁽¹⁾	297	-	297	Indefinite	297	-	297	Indefinite
Total	<u>\$ 1,496</u>	<u>\$ (728)</u>	<u>\$ 768</u>	3 years	<u>\$ 2,977</u>	<u>\$ (2,000)</u>	<u>\$ 977</u>	2 years

⁽¹⁾ See Note 2 for information regarding impairment charges.

- (2) Certain intangible assets from prior acquisitions primarily related to Veritas, were removed as they were fully amortized at the end of the fiscal 2014, in accordance with our current policy.

Total future amortization expense for intangible assets that have finite lives is as follows:

	March 28, 2014
	(Dollars in millions)
2015	\$ 157
2016	106
2017	87
2018	66
2019	35
Thereafter	20
Total	<u>\$ 471</u>

Note 5. Supplemental Financial Information

Dividends

During fiscal 2014 we declared and paid common stock dividends of \$418 million or \$0.60 per share. Each quarterly dividend was recorded as a reduction to additional paid-in capital. In addition, our board of directors approved dividend equivalent rights entitling holders of restricted stock and performance-based stock to dividend equivalents to be paid in the form of cash upon vesting, for each share of the underlying units. No dividends and dividend equivalents were paid in any periods prior to fiscal 2014. All dividends and dividend equivalents are subject to the approval of our board of directors.

Changes in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income by Component

Components of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income, on a net of tax basis, were as follows:

	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Unrealized Gain On Available-For-Sale Securities	Total
	(Dollars in millions)		
Balance as of March 29, 2013	\$ 186	\$ 16	\$ 202
Other comprehensive income before reclassifications	5	-	5
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	-	(13)	(13)
Balance as of March 28, 2014	<u>\$ 191</u>	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ 194</u>

The effects on net income of amounts reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income were as follows:

	Year Ended March 28, 2014	
Details about Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income Components	(Dollars in millions)	Affected Line Item in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities	\$ 24	Other (expense) income, net
Tax effects	(10)	Provision for income taxes
Total amount reclassified, net of taxes	<u>\$ 14</u>	

Gain from sale of joint venture

In fiscal 2008, Symantec formed a joint venture with a subsidiary of Huawei Technologies Co., Limited (“Huawei”). On March 30, 2012, we sold our 49% ownership interest in the joint venture to Huawei for \$530 million in cash. The gain of \$530 million, offset by costs to sell the joint venture of \$4 million, was included in gain from sale of joint venture in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

Other income (expense), net

In fiscal 2013, we began receiving a tax incentive from the China tax bureau in the form of value-added tax (“VAT”) refunds. The tax incentive is provided to companies that perform software research and development activities in China. The refunds relate to VAT collected on qualifying software product sales. This tax incentive plan enables companies to retrospectively apply the rules back to January 2011. As of March 28, 2014, we recognized cumulative refunds of \$33 million, which were included in other income (expense), net in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

Note 6. Debt

The following table summarizes components of our debt:

	March 28, 2014		
	Face Value	Effective Interest Rate	Fair Value ⁽¹⁾
	(Dollars in millions)		
3.95% Senior Notes, due June 2022 (“3.95% Notes”)	\$ 400	4.05 %	\$ 401
2.75% Senior Notes, due June 2017 (“2.75% Notes due 2017”)	600	2.79 %	618
4.20% Senior Notes, due September 2020 (“4.20% Notes”)	750	4.25 %	795
2.75% Senior Notes, due September 2015 (“2.75% Notes due 2015”)	350	2.76 %	357
	March 29, 2013		
	Face Value	Effective Interest Rate	Fair Value ⁽¹⁾
	(Dollars in millions)		
3.95% Senior Notes, due June 2022 (“3.95% Notes”)	\$ 400	4.05 %	\$ 412
2.75% Senior Notes, due June 2017 (“2.75% Notes due 2017”)	600	2.79 %	620
4.20% Senior Notes, due September 2020 (“4.20% Notes”)	750	4.25 %	799
2.75% Senior Notes, due September 2015 (“2.75% Notes due 2015”)	350	2.76 %	363
1.00% Convertible Senior Notes, due June 2013 (“1.00% notes”)	1,000	6.78 % ⁽²⁾	1,291

(1) The fair value of debt relies on level 2 inputs, which are based on market prices for similar debt instruments and resulting yields. For convertible senior notes, the fair value represents that of the liability component. See Note 1 for our accounting policy of estimating the fair value of our debt.

(2) Represents the interest rate on our debt for accounting purposes while taking into account the effects of amortization of debt discount. Although the effective interest rates of the 1.00% notes were 6.78% for fiscal 2013 and 2012, we made cash interest payments at the stated coupon rates of 1.00%.

As of March 28, 2014, future maturities of debt by fiscal years are as follows:

	March 28, 2014
	(Dollars in millions)
2015	\$ -
2016	350
2017	-
2018	600
2019	-
Thereafter	1,150
Total	<u>\$ 2,100</u>

Senior Notes

In fiscal 2013, we issued the 3.95% notes and 2.75% notes due 2017. These are senior unsecured obligations that rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured, unsubordinated obligations and are redeemable by us at any time, subject to a “make-whole” premium. Our proceeds were \$1.0 billion, less issuance discount of \$4 million resulting from sale of the notes at a yield slightly above the stated coupon rate. We also incurred issuance costs of \$6 million. Both the discount and issuance costs are being amortized as incremental interest expense over the respective terms of the notes. Interest on these notes is payable semiannually. Contractual interest expense was \$32 million and \$26 million in fiscal 2014 and fiscal 2013, respectively.

In fiscal 2011, we issued the 4.20% notes and 2.75% notes due 2015. These are senior unsecured obligations that rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured, unsubordinated obligations and are redeemable by us at any time, subject to a “make-whole” premium. Our proceeds from the issuance of the senior notes were \$1.1 billion, net of an issuance discount. Interest on these notes is payable semiannually. Contractual interest expense was \$41 million for each of the fiscal years 2014, 2013, and 2012.

Convertible Senior Notes

In the first quarter of fiscal 2007, we issued \$1.0 billion in principal amount of 1.00% Convertible Senior Notes, due in June 2013. On June 15, 2013, the principal balance on those notes matured and was settled by a cash payment of \$1.0 billion, along with the \$5 million semiannual interest payment. In addition, we elected to pay the conversion value above par value in cash in the amount of \$189 million. Concurrently with the payment of the conversion value we received \$189 million from the note hedge, we entered into at the time of issuance of the 1.00% notes.

At the time of issuance of the 1.00% notes, we granted warrants to affiliates of certain initial purchasers of the notes whereby they had the option to purchase up to 52.7 million shares of our common stock at a price of \$27.1330 per share. All the warrants expired unexercised on various dates during the second quarter of fiscal 2014 and there was no dilutive impact from the warrants on our earnings per share for fiscal 2014.

Interest on our convertible senior notes was payable semiannually. Contractual interest expense was \$2 million, \$10 million, and \$11 million in fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively. Amortization of the debt discount was \$3 million, \$55 million, and \$56 million in fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively.

The following table summarizes information regarding the equity and liability components of the convertible senior notes as of March 29, 2013:

	March 29, 2013
	(Dollars in millions)
Principal amount	\$ 1,000
Equity component	313
Liability component	997
Unamortized discount	3

There is no remaining liability as of March 28, 2014.

Revolving credit facility

In the first quarter of fiscal 2013, we amended our senior unsecured revolving credit facility agreement. The amendment extended the term of the credit facility to June 7, 2017 and revolving loans under the credit facility will bear interest, at our option, either at a rate equal to a) LIBOR plus a margin based on debt ratings, as defined in the credit facility agreement or b) the bank's base rate plus a margin based on debt ratings, as defined in the credit facility agreement. Under the terms of this credit facility, we must comply with certain financial and non-financial covenants, including a covenant to maintain a specified ratio of debt to EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization). As of March 28, 2014, we were in compliance with all financial covenants, and no amounts were outstanding.

Note 7. Restructuring and Transition

Our restructuring and transition costs and liabilities consist primarily of severance, facilities costs, and transition and other related costs. Severance generally includes severance payments, outplacement services, health insurance coverage, and legal costs. Facilities costs generally include rent expense and lease termination costs, less estimated sublease income. Transition and other related costs primarily consist of severance costs associated with acquisition integrations in efforts to streamline our business operations, and cost associated with the planning, design, testing, and data conversion phases of a new ERP system. Restructuring and transition costs are managed at the corporate level and are not allocated to our reportable segments. See Note 10 of these Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding the reconciliation of total segment operating income to total consolidated operating income.

Restructuring plan

We initiated a restructuring plan in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013 to reduce management and redundant personnel resulting in headcount reductions across the Company. As of March 28, 2014, total costs related to this plan incurred since inception were \$222 million, primarily related to severance and related employee benefits. The costs for severance and benefits are substantially complete, however we expect to incur immaterial adjustments to existing reserves in subsequent periods.

Other exit and disposal costs

Our other exit and disposal costs consist primarily of costs associated with closing or consolidating certain facilities. Largely as a result of business acquisitions, management may deem certain leased facilities to be in excess and make a plan to exit them either at the time of acquisition or after the acquisition in conjunction with our efforts to integrate and streamline our operations. As of March 28, 2014, liabilities for these excess facility obligations at several locations around the world are expected to be paid over the respective lease terms, the longest of which extends through fiscal 2018.

Restructuring and transition summary

	<u>March 29, 2013</u>	<u>Costs, Net of Adjustments ⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>Cash Payments</u>	<u>March 28, 2014</u>	<u>Cumulative Incurred to Date</u>
			(Dollars in millions)		
Restructuring liabilities:					
Restructuring plan — severance	\$ 10	\$ 212	\$ (184)	\$ 38	<u>\$ 222</u>
Other exit and disposal costs	3	-	(3)	-	
Total restructuring liabilities	<u>\$ 13</u>	<u>\$ 212</u>	<u>\$ (187)</u>	<u>\$ 38</u>	
Transition and other related costs		58			
Total restructuring and transition		<u>\$ 270</u>			
Balance Sheet:					
Other current liabilities	\$ 11			\$ 37	
Other long-term obligations	2			1	
Total restructuring liabilities	<u>\$ 13</u>			<u>\$ 38</u>	

⁽¹⁾ Adjustments primarily relate to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations.

Note 8. Commitments and Contingencies

Lease commitments

We lease certain of our facilities, equipment, and co-locations under operating leases that expire at various dates beyond fiscal 2019. We currently sublease some space under various operating leases that will expire on various dates through fiscal 2019. Some of our leases contain renewal options, escalation clauses, rent concessions, and leasehold improvement incentives. Rent expense under operating leases was \$121 million, \$124 million, and \$111 million for fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively.

The minimum future rentals on noncancelable operating leases are as follows:

	<u>March 28, 2014</u>
	(Dollars in millions)
2015	\$ 103
2016	83
2017	69
2018	61
2019	53
Thereafter	124
Total minimum future lease payments	<u>\$ 493</u>
Sublease income	(2)
Total minimum future lease payments, net	<u>\$ 491</u>

Purchase obligations

We have purchase obligations that are associated with agreements for purchases of goods or services. Management believes that cancellation of these contracts is unlikely and we expect to make future cash payments according to the contract terms. The following reflects unrecognized purchase obligations:

	<u>March 28, 2014</u>
	<u>(Dollars in millions)</u>
2015	\$ 483
2016	34
2017	6
2018	-
2019	-
Thereafter	-
Total purchase obligations	<u>\$ 523</u>

Indemnification

In the ordinary course of business, we may provide indemnifications of varying scope and terms to customers, vendors, lessors, business partners, subsidiaries and other parties with respect to certain matters, including, but not limited to, losses arising out of our breach of agreements or representations and warranties made by us. In addition, our bylaws contain indemnification obligations to our directors, officers, employees and agents, and we have entered into indemnification agreements with our directors and certain of our officers to give such directors and officers additional contractual assurances regarding the scope of the indemnification set forth in our bylaws and to provide additional procedural protections. We maintain director and officer insurance, which may cover certain liabilities arising from our obligation to indemnify our directors and officers. It is not possible to determine the aggregate maximum potential loss under these indemnification agreements due to the limited history of prior indemnification claims and the unique facts and circumstances involved in each particular agreement. Such indemnification agreements might not be subject to maximum loss clauses. Historically, we have not incurred material costs as a result of obligations under these agreements and we have not accrued any liabilities related to such indemnification obligations in our Consolidated Financial Statements.

We provide limited product warranties and the majority of our software license agreements contain provisions that indemnify licensees of our software from damages and costs resulting from claims alleging that our software infringes on the intellectual property rights of a third party. Historically, payments made under these provisions have been immaterial. We monitor the conditions that are subject to indemnification to identify if a loss has occurred.

Litigation contingencies

During the first quarter of fiscal 2013, we were advised by the Commercial Litigation Branch of the Department of Justice's Civil Division and the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia that the government is investigating our compliance with certain provisions of our U.S. General Services Administration ("GSA") Multiple Award Schedule Contract No. GS-35F-0240T effective January 24, 2007, including provisions relating to pricing, country of origin, accessibility, and the disclosure of commercial sales practices. As reported on the GSA's publicly-available database, our total sales under the GSA Schedule contract were approximately \$222 million from the period beginning January 2007 and ending September 2012. We are fully cooperating with the investigation and in January 2014 met with representatives of the government who presented us with an initial analysis of our actual damages exposure in the amount of approximately \$145 million. We are currently in the process of evaluating the government's initial analysis. Since the initial meeting, the government's analysis of our potential damages exposure has fluctuated.

It is possible that the investigation could lead to claims or findings of violations of the False Claims Act, and could be material to our results of operations and cash flows for any period. Resolution of False Claims Act investigations can ultimately result in the payment of between one and three times the actual damages proven by the government, plus civil penalties in some cases, depending upon a number of factors. Considering the preliminary stage of the negotiated resolution process with the government, our current estimate of the low end of the range of estimated loss from this matter is \$25 million, which we have recorded as an offset to Revenue.

We are also involved in a number of other judicial and administrative proceedings that are incidental to our business. Although adverse decisions (or settlements) may occur in one or more of the cases, it is not possible to estimate the possible loss or losses from each of these cases. The final resolution of these lawsuits, individually or in the aggregate, is not expected to have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition or cash flow.

Note 9. Stock Repurchases

The following table summarizes our stock repurchases:

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
	(In millions, except per share data)		
Total number of shares repurchased	21	49	51
Dollar amount of shares repurchased	\$ 500	\$ 826	\$ 893
Average price paid per share	\$ 23.87	\$ 16.98	\$ 17.62
Range of price paid per share	\$ 20.41 - 27.09	\$ 13.09 - 22.27	\$ 15.38 - 20.51

Through our stock repurchase programs we have repurchased shares on a quarterly basis since the fourth quarter of fiscal 2004. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, our board of directors authorized a new \$1.0 billion stock repurchase program which commenced in fiscal 2014. Our active stock repurchase programs have \$658 million remaining authorized for future repurchases as of March 28, 2014, and neither program has an expiration date.

Note 10. Segment Information

In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, we announced a new strategy and created three new business segments which offer different products and services distinguished by customer needs. We also made changes in our organizational structure. As of the first quarter of fiscal 2014, we modified our segment reporting structure to more readily match the new operating structure based on information reviewed by our CODM. The three reporting segments, which are the same as our operating segments, are as follows:

- *User Productivity & Protection:* Our User Productivity & Protection segment focuses on making it simple for customers to be productive and protected at home and at work. These products include our Norton solutions, endpoint security and management, encryption, and mobile offerings.
- *Information Security:* Our Information Security segment protects organizations so they can confidently conduct business while leveraging new platforms and data. These products include our SSL, authentication, mail & web security, data center security, data loss prevention, and information security services offerings.
- *Information Management:* Our Information Management segment focuses on backup and recovery, archiving and eDiscovery, storage and high availability solutions, ensuring that our customers' IT infrastructure and mission-critical applications are protected, managed and available.

There were no intersegment sales for the periods presented. The historical information presented has been retrospectively adjusted to reflect the new segment reporting. Our chief operating decision maker evaluates performance primarily based on net revenue and operating income. Except for goodwill, as disclosed in Note 4, the majority of our assets are not discretely identified by segment.

	<u>User Productivity & Protection</u>	<u>Information Security</u>	<u>Information Management</u>	<u>Total Segments</u>
	(Dollars in millions)			
Fiscal 2014				
Net revenue	\$ 2,869	\$ 1,294	\$ 2,513	\$ 6,676
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	43 %	19 %	38 %	100 %
Operating income	1,061	186	574	1,821
<i>Operating margin</i>	37 %	14 %	23 %	
Fiscal 2013				
Net revenue	\$ 2,979	\$ 1,298	\$ 2,629	\$ 6,906
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	43 %	19 %	38 %	100 %
Operating income	1,015	38	707	1,760
<i>Operating margin</i>	34 %	3 %	27 %	
Fiscal 2012				
Net revenue	\$ 2,975	\$ 1,197	\$ 2,558	\$ 6,730
<i>Percentage of total net revenue</i>	44 %	18 %	38 %	100 %
Operating income	1,056	(105)	771	1,722
<i>Operating margin</i>	35 %	(9) %	30 %	

The following table provides a reconciliation of the total of the reportable segments' operating income to the consolidated operating income:

	<u>Year Ended</u>		
	<u>March 28, 2014</u>	<u>March 29, 2013</u>	<u>March 30, 2012</u>
	(Dollars in millions)		
Total segment operating income	\$ 1,821	\$ 1,760	\$ 1,722
Reconciling items:			
Amortization of intangibles	210	355	380
Restructuring and transition	270	125	56
Stock-based compensation	156	164	164
Acquisition-related expenses	2	10	18
Total consolidated operating income	<u>\$ 1,183</u>	<u>\$ 1,106</u>	<u>\$ 1,104</u>

Product revenue information

The following table represents revenue as a percentage of total revenue by significant product categories:

	<u>Year Ended</u>		
	<u>March 28, 2014</u>	<u>March 29, 2013</u>	<u>March 30, 2012</u>
Core consumer security	29 %	28 %	29 %
Backup	21 %	21 %	20 %
Information availability	10 %	11 %	12 %
Endpoint security and management	7 %	8 %	9 %
Others ⁽¹⁾	33 %	32 %	30 %
Total product revenue	<u>100 %</u>	<u>100 %</u>	<u>100 %</u>

⁽¹⁾ No other product category was material to the respective totals.

Geographical Information

The following table represents net revenue amounts recognized for sales in the corresponding countries:

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
		(Dollars in millions)	
United States	\$ 3,198	\$ 3,337	\$ 3,240
Foreign countries ⁽¹⁾	3,478	3,569	3,490
Total net revenue	<u>\$ 6,676</u>	<u>\$ 6,906</u>	<u>\$ 6,730</u>

⁽¹⁾ No individual country represented more than 10% of the respective totals.

The table below lists our property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation, by geographic area for the periods presented. We do not identify or allocate our other assets by geographic area:

	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
			(Dollars in millions)
United States	\$ 871	\$ 903	\$ 885
Foreign countries ⁽¹⁾	245	219	215
Total	<u>\$ 1,116</u>	<u>\$ 1,122</u>	<u>\$ 1,100</u>

⁽¹⁾ No individual country represented more than 10% of the respective totals.

Significant customers

In fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, there were no significant customers that accounted for more than 10% of our total net revenue.

Note 11. Employee Benefits and Stock-Based Compensation

401(k) plan

We maintain a salary deferral 401(k) plan for all of our domestic employees. This plan allows employees to contribute up to 50% of their pretax salary up to the maximum dollar limitation prescribed by the Internal Revenue Code. We match 50% of the employee's contribution up to the limits specified in the plan. The maximum match in any given plan year is 3% of the employees' eligible compensation, up to \$6,000. Our contribution under the plan was \$26 million, \$26 million, and \$25 million in fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively.

Stock purchase plans

2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

In September 2008, our stockholders approved the 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("2008 ESPP") and reserved 20 million shares of common stock for issuance thereunder. In September 2010, and October 2013 the 2008 ESPP was amended by our stockholders to increase the shares available for issuance thereunder by 20 million and 30 million, respectively. As of March 28, 2014, 22 million shares have been issued under this plan and 48 million shares remained available for future issuance.

Subject to certain limitations, our employees may elect to have 2% to 10% of their compensation withheld through payroll deductions to purchase shares of common stock under the 2008 ESPP. Employees purchase shares of common stock at a price per share equal to 85% of the fair market value on the purchase date at the end of each six-month purchase period.

Stock award plans

2000 Director Equity Incentive Plan

In September 2000, our stockholders approved the 2000 Director Equity Incentive Plan and reserved 50,000 shares of common stock for issuance thereunder. Stockholders increased the number of shares of stock that may be issued by 50,000 in September 2004, September 2007, and October 2011. The purpose of this plan is to provide the members of the board of directors with an opportunity to receive common stock for all or a portion of the retainer payable to each director for serving as a member. Each director may elect any portion up to 100% of the retainer to be paid in the form of stock. As of March 28, 2014, a total of 133,000 shares have been issued under this plan and 67,000 shares remained available for future issuance.

2004 and 2013 Equity Incentive Plan

Effective as of October 22, 2013, our stockholders and board of directors adopted and approved the Company's 2013 Equity Incentive Plan ("2013 Plan"), and resolved that the Company will cease to grant equity awards under its former 2004 Equity Incentive Plan ("2004 Plan"), provided that all outstanding stock awards granted under the 2004 Plan will remain in effect in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in the agreements evidencing such stock awards.

Under both the 2013 Plan and the 2004 Plan (collectively "the Equity Plans"), the Company has granted incentive and nonqualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, RSUs, RSAs, and performance-based awards to employees, officers, directors, consultants, independent contractors, and advisors to us. These may also be granted to any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of ours. The purpose of both the Equity Plans has been to attract, retain, and motivate eligible persons whose present and potential contributions are important to our success by offering them an opportunity to participate in our future performance through equity awards. Under the terms of the Equity Plans, the exercise price of stock options may not be less than 100% of the fair market value on the date of grant. The options and RSUs generally vest over a four-year period.

Effective as of the first quarter of 2013, following Board approval all RSUs, RSAs and performance-based awards granted under the Equity Plans have dividend equivalent rights ("DER") which entitle participants to the same dividend value per share as holders of Company's Common Stock. The DER are to be paid in the form of cash upon vesting for each share of the underlying award, and are subject to the same terms and conditions as the underlying award.

Upon adoption, our stockholders approved and reserved 45 million shares of common stock for issuance under the 2013 Plan. As of March 28, 2014, 41 million shares remained available for future grant.

Other stock option plans

Options remain outstanding under several other stock option plans, including the 2004 Plan, 1996 Plan, and various plans assumed in connection with acquisitions. No further options may be granted under any of these plans. Stock options granted prior to October 2005 generally have a maximum term of ten years and options granted thereafter generally have a maximum term of seven years.

Performance-based restricted stock units and performance-contingent stock units

During the first quarters of fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012, we granted PRUs to certain senior level employees under our 2013 Plan and 2004 Plan. The PRU grants are in lieu of the stock option grants typically awarded as part of our annual compensation program. These PRUs can be earned depending upon the achievement of a company-specific performance condition and a market condition as follows: (1) our achievement of annual target earnings per share for the applicable fiscal year and (2) our two and three-year cumulative relative total shareholder return ranked against that of other companies that are included in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index. These PRUs are also subject to a three-year continued service vesting provision with earlier vesting permitted under certain conditions, such as upon a change of control of the Company. The determination of the fair value of these awards takes into consideration the likelihood of achievement of the market condition.

On March 19, 2014, Stephen M. Bennett, our former president and chief executive officer was terminated from the Company. During fiscal 2014, we granted to him 782,414 PCSUs based on the achievement of specified performance metrics. The PCSUs were also subject to an underlying continued service vesting condition. Each performance metric was based on the average sixty day trailing closing price of Symantec's common stock (the "Closing Average Price") over a three-year period beginning with the first quarter of fiscal 2014. Subject to ratification by our board of directors, these awards were to vest and release for the fiscal year when the Closing Average Price first exceeds \$26.79, \$30.01, and \$33.61, respectively. Upon his resignation, Mr. Bennett became entitled to 100% vesting of these awards in accordance with the terms and conditions of his employment agreement. The awards are planned for release in the first quarter of fiscal 2015. The weighted-average grant date fair value per share of PCSUs granted was \$10.57 per share. The accelerated stock based compensation expense related to these PCSUs was approximately \$6 million.

During fiscal 2013, we granted 450,000 PCSUs to Mr. Bennett based on the achievement of specified performance metrics, and subject to an underlying continued service vesting condition. Each performance metric was based on the average twenty day trailing closing price of Symantec's common stock (the "Average Closing Price") over a three-year period beginning with the second quarter of fiscal 2013. Upon achievement and ratification by our board of directors, these awards were to be vested and released for the fiscal quarter when the Average Closing Price first exceeds \$18.00, \$20.00, and \$22.00, respectively. The price thresholds were achieved during fiscal 2013. The first 150,000 PCSUs were released to Mr. Bennett during fiscal 2013, and the remaining 300,000 shares were released in the first quarter of fiscal 2014. The weighted-average grant date fair value per share of PCSUs granted was \$13.69 per share.

Valuation of stock-based awards

The following assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of stock awards:

	Fiscal 2014	Fiscal 2013	Fiscal 2012
Stock Options:			
Expected life	-	3.5 years	3.8 years
Weighted-average expected volatility	-	31%	35%
Weighted-average risk-free interest rate	-	0.52%	1.62%
Expected dividends	-	-	-
PRUs and PCSUs:			
Expected life	0.6 - 2.9 years	2.6 - 2.9 years	2.8 - 2.9 years
Expected volatility	29% - 32%	31% - 32%	48% - 49%
Weighted-average expected volatility		32%	49%
Risk-free interest rate	0.38% - 0.71%	0.36% - 0.38%	0.65% - 0.90%
Expected dividends	0% - 2.61%		-

Stock-based compensation expense

The following table sets forth the total stock-based compensation expense recognized in our Consolidated Statements of Income.

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
	(In millions, except per share data)		
Cost of revenue	\$ 19	\$ 15	\$ 16
Sales and marketing	59	67	70
Research and development	48	50	49
General and administrative	30	32	29
Total stock-based compensation expense	156	164	164
Tax benefit associated with stock-based compensation expense	(45)	(48)	(46)
Net stock-based compensation expense	<u>\$ 111</u>	<u>\$ 116</u>	<u>\$ 118</u>
Net stock-based compensation expense per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — basic	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.16
Net stock-based compensation expense per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders — diluted	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.16

Stock options activity

	Number of Shares	Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Years	Aggregate Intrinsic Value ⁽¹⁾
	(In millions, except per share and years data)			
Outstanding at March 29, 2013	18	\$ 19.86		
Granted	-	-		
Exercised	(9)	17.65		
Forfeited	(1)	16.19		
Expired	(2)	27.72		
Outstanding at March 28, 2014	<u>6</u>	\$ 20.56	1.7	\$ 10
Exercisable at March 28, 2014	5	\$ 20.91	1.4	\$ 8
Vested and expected to vest at March 28, 2014	6	\$ 20.58	1.6	\$ 10

⁽¹⁾ Intrinsic value is calculated as the difference between the market value of our common stock as of the last trading day of the fiscal year and the exercise price of the option. The aggregate intrinsic value of options outstanding and exercisable includes options with an exercise price below \$19.79, the closing price of our common stock on the last trading day of the fiscal year, as reported by the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

There were no options granted during fiscal 2014. The weighted-average fair value per share of options granted during fiscal 2013, and 2012 including assumed options was \$4.07 and \$5.23, respectively. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012 was \$60 million, \$64 million, and \$40 million, respectively.

As of March 28, 2014, total unrecognized compensation cost adjusted for estimated forfeitures related to unvested stock options was \$4 million, which is expected to be recognized over the remaining weighted-average vesting period of 1.1 years.

Restricted stock activity

	<u>Number of Shares</u>	<u>Weighted- Average Grant Date Fair Value</u>	<u>Weighted- Average Remaining Years</u>	<u>Aggregate Intrinsic Value</u>
	(In millions, except per share and years data)			
Outstanding at March 29, 2013	19	\$ 16.25		
Granted	11	23.90		
Vested and released	(6)	16.01		
Forfeited	(5)	17.55		
Outstanding and unvested at March 28, 2014	<u>19</u>	\$ 20.61	1.6	\$ 376
Expected to vest at March 28, 2014	15		1.4	\$ 304

The weighted-average grant date fair value per share of restricted stock granted during fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, including assumed restricted stock was \$23.90, \$15.74, and \$18.13, respectively. The total fair value of restricted stock that vested and released in fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012 was \$147 million, \$124 million, and \$150 million, respectively.

As of March 28, 2014, total unrecognized compensation cost adjusted for estimated forfeitures related restricted stock was \$263 million, which is expected to be recognized over the remaining weighted-average vesting period of 2.7 years.

Performance-based restricted stock units activity

	<u>Number of Shares</u>
Unvested at March 29, 2013	1,732,756
Granted	947,033
Incremental grants due to performance and market conditions	(270,405)
Vested and released	(75,133)
Issued	(197,796)
Forfeited	(849,630)
Unvested at March 28, 2014	<u>1,286,825</u>

The weighted-average grant date fair value per share of PRUs granted during fiscal 2014, 2013 and 2012 was \$26.03, \$16.97 and \$23.58, respectively. The total fair value of PRUs that were issued in fiscal 2014 was \$5 million.

As of March 28, 2014, total unrecognized compensation cost related to the PRUs was approximately \$7 million, which is expected to be recognized over the remaining weighted average period of 1.6 years.

Shares reserved

We had reserved the following shares of authorized but unissued common stock:

	<u>March 28, 2014</u> (In millions)
Stock purchase plans	48
Stock award plans	<u>68</u>
Total	<u>116</u>

Note 12. Income Taxes

The components of the provision for income taxes are as follows:

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
	(Dollars in millions)		
Current:			
Federal	\$ 111	\$ 104	\$ 123
State	23	23	30
International	78	87	121
	<u>212</u>	<u>214</u>	<u>274</u>
Deferred:			
Federal	36	27	40
State	17	5	(8)
International	(7)	5	2
	<u>46</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>34</u>
Total provision of income taxes	<u>\$ 258</u>	<u>\$ 251</u>	<u>\$ 308</u>

Pretax income from international operations was \$612 million, \$652 million, and \$891 million for fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively.

The difference between our effective income tax and the federal statutory income tax is as follows:

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
	(Dollars in millions)		
Expected Federal statutory tax	\$ 405	\$ 351	\$ 525
State taxes, net of federal benefit	26	25	12
Foreign earnings taxed at less than the federal rate	(131)	(96)	(160)
Domestic production activities deduction	(14)	(12)	(20)
Federal research and development credit	(6)	(10)	(12)
Valuation allowance (decrease) increase	(3)	-	5
Benefit of losses from joint venture	-	-	(1)
Tax positions (including valuation allowance release)	(26)	(9)	(52)
Other, net	7	2	11
	<u>\$ 258</u>	<u>\$ 251</u>	<u>\$ 308</u>

The principal components of deferred tax assets are as follows:

	<u>March 28, 2014</u>	<u>March 29, 2013</u>
	(Dollars in millions)	
Deferred tax assets:		
Tax credit carryforwards	\$ 38	\$ 54
Net operating loss carryforwards of acquired companies	79	102
Other accruals and reserves not currently tax deductible	128	144
Deferred revenue	92	97
Loss on investments not currently tax deductible	16	10
State income taxes	19	29
Stock-based compensation	31	36
	<u>403</u>	<u>472</u>
Valuation allowance	(56)	(66)
Total deferred tax assets	\$ 347	\$ 406
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Tax over book depreciation	(76)	(73)
Goodwill	(29)	(19)
Intangible assets	(48)	(102)
Unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries	(399)	(377)
Prepays and deferred expenses	(30)	(42)
Other	(7)	(2)
Total deferred tax liabilities	<u>\$ (589)</u>	<u>\$ (615)</u>
Net deferred tax assets	<u>\$ (242)</u>	<u>\$ (209)</u>

The \$56 million total valuation allowance provided against our deferred tax assets as of March 28, 2014 is mainly attributable to net operating loss and tax credit carryforwards of acquired companies, state tax credits, and net operating losses in foreign jurisdictions. The valuation allowance decreased by a net of \$10 million in fiscal 2014, related mostly to the liquidation of a foreign entity.

As of March 28, 2014, we have U.S. federal net operating losses attributable to various acquired companies of approximately \$74 million, which, if not used, will expire between fiscal 2015 and 2032. These net operating loss carryforwards are subject to an annual limitation under Internal Revenue Code §382, but are expected to be fully realized. Furthermore, we have U.S. state net operating loss and credit carryforwards attributable to various acquired companies of approximately \$203 million and \$70 million, respectively. If not used, our U.S. state net operating losses will expire between fiscal 2015 and 2032 and the majority of our U.S. state credit carryforwards can be carried forward indefinitely. In addition, we have foreign net operating loss carryforwards attributable to various acquired foreign companies of approximately \$280 million net of valuation allowances, the majority of which, under current applicable foreign tax law, can be carried forward indefinitely.

In assessing the ability to realize our deferred tax assets, we considered whether it was more likely than not that some portion or all the deferred tax assets will not be realized. We considered the following: we have historical cumulative book income, as measured by the current and prior two years, we have strong, consistent taxpaying history, we have substantial U.S. federal income tax carryback potential; and we have substantial amounts of scheduled future reversals of taxable temporary differences from our deferred tax liabilities. We have concluded that this positive evidence outweighs the negative evidence and, thus, that the deferred tax assets as of March 28, 2014 of \$347 million, after application of the valuation allowances described above, are realizable on a “more likely than not” basis.

As of March 28, 2014, no provision has been made for federal or state income taxes on \$3.2 billion of cumulative unremitted earnings of certain of our foreign subsidiaries since we plan to indefinitely reinvest these earnings. As of March 28, 2014, the unrecognized deferred tax liability for these earnings was \$918 million.

The aggregate changes in the balance of gross unrecognized tax benefits from April 1, 2011 to March 28, 2014 were as follows (*in millions*):

Balance as of April 1, 2011	\$	527
Settlements and effective settlements with tax authorities and related remeasurements		(62)
Lapse of statute of limitations		(12)
Increases in balances related to tax positions taken during prior years		78
Decreases in balances related to tax positions taken during prior years		(30)
Increases in balances related to tax positions taken during current year		118
Balance as of March 30, 2012	\$	<u>619</u>
Settlements and effective settlements with tax authorities and related remeasurements		(114)
Lapse of statute of limitations		(98)
Increases in balances related to tax positions taken during prior years		11
Decreases in balances related to tax positions taken during prior years		(20)
Increases in balances related to tax positions taken during current year		14
Balance as of March 29, 2013	\$	<u>412</u>
Settlements and effective settlements with tax authorities and related remeasurements		(122)
Lapse of statute of limitations		(11)
Increases in balances related to tax positions taken during prior years		27
Decreases in balances related to tax positions taken during prior years		(50)
Increases in balances related to tax positions taken during current year		26
Balance as of March 28, 2014	\$	<u><u>282</u></u>

There was a change of \$130 million in gross unrecognized tax benefits during the fiscal year as disclosed above. This gross liability does not include offsetting tax benefits associated with the correlative effects of potential transfer pricing adjustments, interest deductions, and state income taxes, as well as payments made to date.

Of the total unrecognized tax benefits at March 28, 2014, \$284 million, if recognized, would favorably affect the Company's effective tax rate, while \$2 million would affect the cumulative translation adjustments. However, one or more of these unrecognized tax benefits could be subject to a valuation allowance if and when recognized in a future period, which could impact the timing of any related effective tax rate benefit.

At March 28, 2014, before any tax benefits, we had \$51 million of accrued interest and penalties on unrecognized tax benefits. Interest included in our provision for income taxes was an expense of approximately \$7 million, offset by reductions of \$3 million for the year ended March 28, 2014. If the accrued interest and penalties do not ultimately become payable, amounts accrued will be reduced in the period that such determination is made, and reflected as a reduction of the overall income tax provision.

We file income tax returns in the U.S. on a federal basis and in many U.S. state and foreign jurisdictions. Our most significant tax jurisdictions are the U.S., Ireland, and Singapore. Our tax filings remain subject to examination by applicable tax authorities for a certain length of time following the tax year to which those filings relate. Our 2009 through 2014 fiscal years remain subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") for U.S. federal tax purposes, our 2010 through 2014 fiscal years remain subject to examination by the appropriate governmental agencies for Irish tax purposes, and our 2007 through 2014 fiscal years remain subject

to examination by the appropriate governmental agencies for Singapore tax purposes. Other significant jurisdictions include California, Japan, the UK and India. As of March 28, 2014, we are under examination regarding Symantec U.S. federal income taxes for the fiscal years 2009 through 2012. In addition, we are under examination by the California Franchise Tax Board for the Symantec California income taxes for the 2009 through 2010 tax years. We are also under audit by the Singapore income tax authorities for fiscal years 2007 through 2011 and by the Indian income tax authorities for fiscal years 2004 through 2014.

On December 2, 2009, we received a Revenue Agent's Report from the IRS for the Veritas 2002 through 2005 tax years assessing additional taxes due. We contested \$80 million of the tax assessed and all penalties. As a result of negotiations with IRS Appeals in the third quarter of fiscal 2012, we remeasured our liability for unrecognized tax benefits, resulting in a tax benefit of \$52 million. We executed the final closing agreement for the Veritas 2002 through 2005 tax years on December 26, 2012. Accordingly, we recorded a further tax benefit of \$3 million during the third quarter of fiscal 2013 based on the closing agreement. Further, we amended our state tax returns for the Veritas 2002 through 2005 tax years in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013 to reflect the adjustments in the closing agreement and remeasured our state liability resulting in a benefit of \$7 million.

On September 3, 2013, we settled and effectively settled matters with the IRS for the Symantec 2005 through 2008 fiscal years. The result of the settlements, effective settlements, and re-measurements resulted in a reduction in the balance of our gross unrecognized tax benefits in fiscal year 2014 of \$122 million.

The timing of the resolution of income tax examinations is highly uncertain, and the amounts ultimately paid, if any, upon resolution of the issues raised by the taxing authorities may differ materially from the amounts accrued for each year. Although potential resolution of uncertain tax positions involve multiple tax periods and jurisdictions, it is reasonably possible that the gross unrecognized tax benefits related to these audits could decrease (whether by payment, release, or a combination of both) in the next 12 months by between \$20 million and \$140 million.

We continue to monitor the progress of ongoing income tax controversies and the impact, if any, of the expected tolling of the statute of limitations in various taxing jurisdictions.

Note 13. Earnings Per Share

Basic and diluted earnings per share are computed on the basis of the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share also include the incremental effect of dilutive potential common shares outstanding during the period using the treasury stock method. Dilutive potential common shares include the dilutive effect of shares underlying outstanding stock options, restricted stock, warrants, and convertible senior notes.

The components of earnings per share attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders are as follows:

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
	(Dollars in millions, except per share data)		
Net income	\$ 898	\$ 755	\$ 1,187
Net income per share — basic	\$ 1.29	\$ 1.08	\$ 1.60
Net income per share — diluted	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.06	\$ 1.59
Weighted-average outstanding common shares — basic	696	701	741
Dilutive potential shares issuable from assumed exercise of stock options	2	2	3
Dilutive potential shares related to stock award plans	6	6	4
Dilutive potential shares related to convertible senior notes ⁽¹⁾	-	2	-
Weighted-average shares outstanding — diluted	<u>704</u>	<u>711</u>	<u>748</u>
Anti-dilutive weighted-average stock options	4	20	32
Anti-dilutive weighted-average restricted stock	1	2	-
Anti-dilutive effect of note hedge ⁽¹⁾	-	2	-

⁽¹⁾ See Note 6 for information regarding the effects of the convertible senior notes, and the warrants issued and the option purchased in connection with the convertible senior notes.

Note 14. Noncontrolling Interest

As of March 30, 2012, we owned 54% of VeriSign Japan. During the second quarter of fiscal 2013, we completed a tender offer and paid \$92 million to acquire VeriSign Japan common shares and stock rights, which increased our ownership percentage to 92%. During the third quarter of fiscal 2013, we acquired the remaining 8% interest for \$19 million and it became a wholly-owned subsidiary. The payment for the remaining 8% interest was made in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013.

The effect of the change in our ownership interest in VeriSign Japan on our equity is as follows:

	Year Ended		
	March 28, 2014	March 29, 2013	March 30, 2012
	(Dollars in millions)		
Net income attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders	\$ 898	\$ 755	\$ 1,187
Transfers to noncontrolling interest:			
Decrease in Symantec Corporation stockholders' paid-in capital for purchase of 204,189 VeriSign Japan common shares and stock rights	-	(35)	-
Net transfers to noncontrolling interest	-	(35)	-
Change from net income attributable to Symantec Corporation stockholders and transfers to noncontrolling interest	<u>\$ 898</u>	<u>\$ 720</u>	<u>\$ 1,187</u>

Note 15. Subsequent Event

On May 8, 2014, we announced a quarterly dividend in the amount of \$0.15 per share of common stock to be paid on June 25, 2014 to all stockholders of record as of June 10, 2014. All shares of common stock issued and outstanding, and unvested restricted stock and performance-based stock as of the record date will be entitled to the dividend and dividend equivalents, respectively. Any future dividends and dividend equivalents will be subject to the approval of our board of directors.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Mountain View, State of California, on the 16th day of May 2014.

SYMANTEC CORPORATION

By: /s/ Michael A. Brown

Michael A. Brown

Interim President and Chief Executive Officer, and Director

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Michael A. Brown, Thomas J. Seifert and Scott C. Taylor, and each or any of them, his attorneys-in-fact, each with the power of substitution, for him in any and all capacities to sign any and all amendments to this report on Form 10-K and any other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorneys-in-fact, or his or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. This Power of Attorney may be signed in several counterparts.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated below.

Signature	Title	Date
<u>/s/ Michael A. Brown</u> Michael A. Brown	Interim President and Chief Executive Officer, and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ Thomas J. Seifert</u> Thomas J. Seifert	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ Mark S. Garfield</u> Mark S. Garfield	Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ Daniel H. Schulman</u> Daniel H. Schulman	Chairman of the Board	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ Frank E. Dangeard</u> Frank E. Dangeard	Director	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ Geraldine B. Laybourne</u> Geraldine B. Laybourne	Director	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ David L. Mahoney</u> David L. Mahoney	Director	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ Robert S. Miller</u> Robert S. Miller	Director	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ Anita M. Sands</u> Anita M. Sands	Director	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ V. Paul Unruh</u> V. Paul Unruh	Director	May 16, 2014
<u>/s/ Suzanne M. Vautrinot</u> Suzanne M. Vautrinot	Director	May 16, 2014

SYMANTEC CORPORATION

VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS

	<u>Balance at Beginning of Period</u>	<u>Additions</u>		<u>Amount Written Off or Used</u>	<u>Balance at End of Period ⁽¹⁾</u>
		<u>Charged Against Revenue and to Operating Expense ⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>Charged to Other Accounts ⁽²⁾</u>		
		(Dollars in millions)			
Year ended March 28, 2014	\$ 111	\$ 222	\$ 156	\$ (388)	\$ 101
Year ended March 29, 2013	103	252	173	(417)	111
Year ended April 1, 2012	107	227	173	(404)	103

⁽¹⁾ The balances include allowance for doubtful accounts, reserve for product returns, and reserve for rebates.

⁽²⁾ Charged to other accounts include the unrecognized customer rebates and the product returns for unrecognized revenue and are recorded as a reduction of deferred revenue.

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Incorporated by Reference				Filed Herewith
		Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	
3.01	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Symantec Corporation	S-8	333-119872	4.01	10/21/04	
3.02	Certificate of Amendment of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Symantec Corporation	S-8	333-126403	4.03	07/06/05	
3.03	Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Symantec Corporation	10-Q	000-17781	3.01	08/05/09	
3.04	Certificate of Designations of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock of Symantec Corporation	8-K	000-17781	3.01	12/21/04	
3.05	Bylaws, as amended, of Symantec Corporation	8-K	000-17781	3.01	05/07/12	
4.01	Form of Common Stock Certificate	S-3ASR	333-139230	4.07	12/11/06	
4.02	Indenture related to the 1.00% Convertible Senior Notes, due 2013, dated as of June 16, 2006, between Symantec Corporation and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (including form of 1.00% Convertible Senior Notes due 2013)	8-K	000-17781	4.02	06/16/06	
4.03	Form of Master Terms and Conditions For Convertible Bond Hedging Transactions between Symantec Corporation and each of Bank of America, N.A. and Citibank, N.A., respectively, dated June 9, 2006, including Exhibit and Schedule thereto	10-Q	000-17781	10.04	08/09/06	
4.04	Form of Master Terms and Conditions For Warrants Issued by Symantec Corporation between Symantec Corporation and each of Bank of America, N.A. and Citibank, N.A., respectively, dated June 9, 2006, including Exhibit and Schedule thereto	10-Q	000-17781	10.05	08/09/06	
4.05	Credit Agreement, dated as of September 8, 2010, by and among Symantec Corporation, the lenders party thereto (the "Lenders"), Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, Bank of America, N.A. and Citibank, N.A., as Co-Syndication Agents, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as Co-Documentation Agents, and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Banc of America Securities LLC and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as Joint Bookrunners and Joint Lead Arrangers	10-Q	000-17781	4.01	11/03/10	

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Incorporated by Reference				Filed Herewith
		Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	
4.06	First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated June 7, 2012, by and among Symantec Corporation, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, and the lenders party thereto	8-K	000-17781	4.01	06/11/12	
4.07	Indenture, dated September 16, 2010, between Symantec Corporation and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee	8-K	000-17781	4.01	09/16/10	
4.08	Form of Global Note for Symantec's 2.750% Senior Note due 2015 (contained in Exhibit No. 4.02)	8-K	000-17781	4.03	09/16/10	
4.09	Form of Global Note for Symantec's 4.200% Senior Note due 2020 (contained in Exhibit No. 4.02)	8-K	000-17781	4.04	09/16/10	
4.10	Form of Global Note for Symantec's 2.750% Senior Notes due 2017 (contained in Exhibit No. 4.02)	8-K	000-17781	4.03	06/14/12	
4.11	Form of Global Note for Symantec's 3.950% Senior Notes due 2022 (contained in Exhibit No. 4.02)	8-K	000-17781	4.04	06/14/12	
10.01(*)	Form of Indemnification Agreement with Officers and Directors, as amended (form for agreements entered into prior to January 17, 2006)	S-1	33-28655	10.17	06/21/89	
10.02(*)	Form of Indemnification Agreement for Officers, Directors and Key Employees	8-K	000-17781	10.01	01/23/06	
10.03(*)	Symantec Corporation 1996 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, including form of Stock Option Agreement and form of Restricted Stock Purchase Agreement	10-K	000-17781	10.05	06/09/06	
10.04(*)	Symantec Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan, restated and amended January 1, 2010, as adopted December 15, 2009	10-K	000-17781	10.05	05/24/10	
10.05(*)	Brightmail Inc. 1998 Stock Option Plan, including form of Stock Option Agreement and form of Notice of Assumption	10-K	000-17781	10.08	06/09/06	
10.06(*)	Symantec Corporation 2000 Director Equity Incentive Plan, as amended	10-Q	000-17781	10.01	11/01/11	
10.07(*)	Altiris, Inc. 2002 Stock Plan	S-8	333-141986	99.03	04/10/07	
10.08(*)	Form of Stock Option Agreement under the Altiris, Inc. 2002 Stock Plan	S-8	333-141986	99.04	04/10/07	
10.09(*)	Vontu, Inc. 2002 Stock Option/Stock Issuance Plan, as amended	S-8	333-148107	99.02	12/17/07	

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		Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	
10.10(*)	Form of Vontu, Inc. Stock Option Agreement	S-8	333-148107	99.03	12/17/07	
10.11(*)	Veritas Software Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended and restated, including form of Stock Option Agreement, form of Stock Option Agreement for Executives and Senior VPs and form of Notice of Stock Option Assumption	10-K	000-17781	10.15	06/09/06	
10.12(*)	Symantec Corporation 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, including Stock Option Grant — Terms and Conditions, form of RSU Award Agreement, form of RSU Award Agreement for Non-Employee Directors and form of PRU Award Agreement	10-K	000-17781	10.17	05/20/11	
10.13(*)	Clearwell Systems, Inc. 2005 Stock Plan, as amended	S-8	333-175783	99.01	07/26/11	
10.14(*)	Form of Clearwell Systems, Inc. Stock Option Agreement	S-8	333-175783	99.02	07/26/11	
10.15(*)	Symantec Corporation 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended	S-8	333-191889	99.02	10/24/13	
10.16(*)	Symantec Corporation 2013 Equity Incentive Plan, including form of Stock Option Grant — Terms and Conditions and form of RSU Awards Agreement	10-Q	000-17781	10.01	02/03/14	
10.17(*)	Symantec Senior Executive Incentive Plan, as amended and restated	8-K	000-17781	10.03	10/25/13	
10.18(*)	Symantec Corporation Executive Retention Plan, as amended and restated	10-K	000-17781	10.33	05/21/12	
10.19(*)	Symantec Corporation Executive Severance Plan	10-K	000-17781	10.34	05/21/12	
10.20(*)	Offer Letter, dated February 8, 2006, from Symantec Corporation to James A. Beer	10-K	000-17781	10.17	06/09/06	
10.21(*)	Executive Employment Agreement, dated August 21, 2012, between Symantec Corporation and Steve Bennett	8-K	000-17781	10.01	08/23/12	
10.22(*)	Employment Offer Letter, dated December 19, 2012, between Symantec Corporation and Stephen Gillett	8-K	000-17781	10.01	12/19/12	
10.23(*)	Employment Offer Letter, dated January 15, 2014, between Symantec Corporation and Thomas J. Seifert	8-K	000-17781	10.01	03/03/14	
10.24(*)	Employment Offer Letter, dated February 3, 2014, between Symantec Corporation and Mark Garfield	8-K	000-17781	10.01	03/10/14	

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10.25(*)	FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plan — President and Chief Executive Officer	10-Q	000-17781	10.01	07/31/13	
10.26(*)	FY14 Executive Annual Incentive Plan — Vice President, Senior Vice President and Executive Vice President	10-Q	000-17781	10.02	07/31/13	
10.27(*)	Performance Contingent Stock Unit Award Agreement, dated May 30, 2013, by and between Symantec Corporation and Steve Bennett	10-Q	000-17781	10.03	07/31/13	
10.28	Assignment of Copyright and Other Intellectual Property Rights, by and between Peter Norton and Peter Norton Computing, Inc., dated August 31, 1990	S-4	33-35385	10.37	06/13/90	
10.29†	Environmental Indemnity Agreement, dated April 23, 1999, between Veritas and Fairchild Semiconductor Corporation, included as Exhibit C to that certain Agreement of Purchase and Sale, dated March 29, 1999, between Veritas and Fairchild Semiconductor of California	S-1/A	333-83777	10.27 Exhibit C	08/06/99	
10.30	Amendment, dated June 20, 2007, to the Amended and Restated Agreement Respecting Certain Rights of Publicity dated as of August 31, 1990, by and between Peter Norton and Symantec Corporation	10-Q	000-17781	10.01	08/07/07	
10.31	Amendment, effective December 6, 2010, to the Trademark License Agreement, dated August 9, 2010, by and between VeriSign, Inc. and Symantec Corporation	10-Q	000-17781	10.01	02/02/11	
21.01	Subsidiaries of Symantec Corporation					X
23.01	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm					X
24.01	Power of Attorney (see Signature page to this annual report)					X
31.01	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002					X

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Incorporated by Reference				Filed Herewith
		Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	
31.02	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002					X
32.01(††)	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002					X
32.02(††)	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002					X
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document					X
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Schema Linkbase Document					X
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Calculation Linkbase Document					X
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Labels Linkbase Document					X
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Presentation Linkbase Document					X
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Definition Linkbase Document					X

* Indicates a management contract, compensatory plan or arrangement.

† Filed by Veritas Software Corporation.

†† This exhibit is being furnished, rather than filed, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing, in accordance with Item 601 of Regulation S-K.

2014 Corporate Information

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ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 9.00 a.m. PT at:
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Symantec's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ exchange under the Symbol "SYMC."

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