

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**Form 10-Q**

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(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2021

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 No.: 000-50171

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**Travelzoo**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)  
**590 Madison Avenue, 35th Floor**  
**New York, New York**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**36-4415727**  
(I.R.S. employer  
identification no.)

**10022**  
(Zip code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 484-4900**

**SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OF THE ACT:**

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	TZOO	The NASDAQ Stock Market

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 every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T 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 whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-accelerated filer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Smaller reporting company	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Emerging growth company	<input type="checkbox"/>

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revisited financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

The number of shares of Travelzoo common stock outstanding as of November 5, 2021 was 12,258,624 shares.

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**PART I—FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Financial Statements**

**TRAVELZOO**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**  
(Unaudited)  
(In thousands, except par value)

	September 30, 2021	December 31, 2020
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 65,204	\$ 63,061
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,045 and \$2,814 as of September 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020, respectively	9,084	4,519
Prepaid income taxes	2,882	931
Prepaid expenses and other	3,184	1,303
Assets from discontinued operations	63	230
Total current assets	80,417	70,044
Deposits and other	8,219	745
Deferred tax assets	3,637	5,067
Restricted cash	1,154	1,178
Operating lease right-of-use assets	8,005	8,541
Property and equipment, net	794	1,347
Intangible assets, net	3,700	4,534
Goodwill	10,944	10,944
Total assets	\$ 116,870	\$ 102,400
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 11,875	\$ 6,996
Merchant payables	73,183	57,104
Accrued expenses and other	7,546	8,649
Deferred revenue	1,805	2,688
Operating lease liabilities	3,482	3,587
PPP notes payable (current portion)	—	2,849
Income tax payable	61	326
Liabilities from discontinued operations	469	671
Total current liabilities	98,421	82,870
PPP notes payables	—	814
Deferred tax liabilities	—	357
Long-term operating lease liabilities	9,721	10,774
Other long-term liabilities	2,249	1,085
Total liabilities	110,391	95,900
Commitments and contingencies	—	—
Non-controlling interest	4,608	4,609
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value (20,000 shares authorized; 11,923 shares issued and 11,823 shares outstanding as of September 30, 2021 and 11,365 shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2020)	118	114
Treasury stock (at cost, 100 shares and 0 shares at September 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020, respectively)	(1,583)	—
Additional paid in capital	3,432	6,239
Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)	3,792	(403)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(3,888)	(4,059)
Total stockholders' equity	1,871	1,891
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 116,870	\$ 102,400

See accompanying notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

**TRAVELZOO**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
**(Unaudited)**  
**(In thousands, except per share amounts)**

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Revenues	\$ 15,688	\$ 13,787	\$ 49,051	\$ 41,118
Cost of revenues	2,992	2,924	8,532	7,768
Gross profit	12,696	10,863	40,519	33,350
Operating expenses:				
Sales and marketing	7,709	6,929	21,839	24,311
Product development	684	592	2,052	2,586
General and administrative	4,564	4,545	14,180	16,709
Impairment of intangible assets and goodwill	—	—	—	2,920
Total operating expenses	12,957	12,066	38,071	46,526
Operating income (loss)	(261)	(1,203)	2,448	(13,176)
Other income (loss), net	3,344	(37)	3,862	(222)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	3,083	(1,240)	6,310	(13,398)
Income tax expense (benefit)	233	(244)	2,111	(2,070)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	2,850	(996)	4,199	(11,328)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	(19)	(230)	(5)	(3,944)
Net income (loss)	2,831	(1,226)	4,194	(15,272)
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	8	125	(1)	(1,122)
Net income (loss) attributable to Travelzoo	\$ 2,823	\$ (1,351)	\$ 4,195	\$ (14,150)
Net income (loss) attributable to Travelzoo—continuing operations	\$ 2,842	\$ (1,121)	\$ 4,200	\$ (10,206)
Net income (loss) attributable to Travelzoo—discontinued operations	\$ (19)	\$ (230)	\$ (5)	\$ (3,944)
Income (loss) per share—basic				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.10)	\$ 0.36	\$ (0.90)
Discontinued operations	\$ —	\$ (0.02)	\$ —	\$ (0.35)
Net income (loss) per share —basic	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.36	\$ (1.25)
Income (loss) per share—diluted				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.22	\$ (0.10)	\$ 0.32	\$ (0.90)
Discontinued operations	\$ —	\$ (0.02)	\$ —	\$ (0.35)
Income (loss) per share—diluted	\$ 0.22	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.32	\$ (1.25)
Shares used in per share calculation from continuing operations—basic	11,648	11,310	11,510	11,353
Shares used in per share calculation from discontinued operations—basic	11,648	11,310	11,510	11,353
Shares used in per share calculation from continuing operations—diluted	12,904	11,310	13,132	11,353
Shares used in per share calculation from discontinued operations—diluted	11,648	11,310	11,510	11,353

See accompanying notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

**TRAVELZOO**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)**  
**(Unaudited)**  
**(In thousands)**

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,831	\$ (1,226)	\$ 4,194	\$ (15,272)
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(401)	532	171	(682)
Total comprehensive income (loss)	<u>\$ 2,430</u>	<u>\$ (694)</u>	<u>\$ 4,365</u>	<u>\$ (15,954)</u>

See accompanying notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

**TRAVELZOO**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
(Unaudited)  
(In thousands)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Net income (loss)	\$ 4,194	\$ (15,272)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	1,408	1,806
Stock-based compensation	2,788	5,243
Deferred income tax	1,073	(1,747)
Impairment of intangible assets and goodwill	—	2,920
Gain on promissory notes payable settlement	—	(1,500)
Loss on long-lived assets	—	437
Loss on equity investment in WeGo	—	474
Gain on PPP notes payable forgiveness	(3,588)	—
Net foreign currency effect	(300)	(542)
Provision for (reversal of) loss on accounts receivable, refund reserve and other	(1,725)	3,923
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable	(3,848)	6,246
Prepaid income taxes	(2,007)	685
Prepaid expenses and other	(9,473)	1,626
Accounts payable	5,024	12,709
Merchant payable	16,486	20,532
Accrued expenses and other	(452)	(1,381)
Income tax payable	(263)	(479)
Other liabilities	(34)	1,904
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>9,283</u>	<u>37,584</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>		
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired	—	(679)
Other investments	—	(430)
Purchases of property and equipment	(24)	(252)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(24)</u>	<u>(1,361)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>		
Repurchase of common stock	(1,583)	(1,205)
Payment of notes payables	(110)	(7,800)
Proceeds from PPP notes payable	—	3,663
Exercise of stock options and taxes paid for net share settlement	(5,424)	—
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(7,117)</u>	<u>(5,342)</u>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(126)	393
Net increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	2,016	31,274
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period	64,385	20,710
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	<u>\$ 66,401</u>	<u>\$ 51,984</u>
<b>Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:</b>		
Cash paid for income taxes, net	\$ 2,978	\$ 1,230
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for lease obligations—operating leases	\$ 1,777	\$ 3,207
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities	\$ 3,291	\$ 3,063
<b>Non-cash investing and financing activities:</b>		
Issuance of promissory notes to the sellers of Jack's Flight Club	\$ —	\$ 11,000

See accompanying notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

**TRAVELZOO**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)**  
**(Unaudited)**  
**(In thousands)**

	Common Stock		Treasury Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings (Accumulated Deficit)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Stockholders' Equity (Deficit)
	Shares	Amount					
Balances, January 1, 2021	11,365	\$ 114	\$ —	\$ 6,239	\$ (403)	\$ (4,059)	\$ 1,891
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	—	882	—	—	882
Treasury stock	—	—	(1,583)	—	—	—	(1,583)
Exercise of stock options and taxes paid for net share settlement of equity awards	205	1	—	(2,842)	—	—	(2,841)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	—	410	410
Net loss—Travelzoo	—	—	—	—	(1,642)	—	(1,642)
Balances, March 31, 2021	11,570	115	(1,583)	4,279	(2,045)	(3,649)	(2,883)
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	—	935	—	—	935
Exercise of stock options and taxes paid for net share settlement	24	—	—	(226)	—	—	(226)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	—	162	162
Net income—Travelzoo	—	—	—	—	3,014	—	3,014
Balances, June 30, 2021	11,594	115	(1,583)	4,988	969	(3,487)	1,002
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	—	971	—	—	971
Exercise of stock options and taxes paid for net share settlement	329	3	—	(2,527)	—	—	(2,524)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	—	(401)	(401)
Net income—Travelzoo	—	—	—	—	2,823	—	2,823
Balances, September 30, 2021	11,923	\$ 118	\$ (1,583)	\$ 3,432	\$ 3,792	\$ (3,888)	\$ 1,871



	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings (Accumulated Deficit)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount				
Balances, January 1, 2020	11,479	\$ 115	\$ —	\$ 14,200	\$ (3,452)	\$ 10,863
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	23	—	—	23
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(169)	(2)	(23)	(1,180)	—	(1,205)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	(871)	(871)
Net loss—Travelzoo	—	—	—	(6,609)	—	(6,609)
Balances, March 31, 2020	11,310	113	—	6,411	(4,323)	2,201
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	4,031	—	—	4,031
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	(343)	(343)
Net loss—Travelzoo	—	—	—	(6,190)	—	(6,190)
Balances, June 30, 2020	11,310	113	4,031	221	(4,666)	(301)
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	1,189	—	—	1,189
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	532	532
Net loss—Travelzoo	—	—	—	(1,351)	—	(1,351)
Balances, September 30, 2020	11,310	\$ 113	\$ 5,220	\$ (1,130)	\$ (4,134)	\$ 69

See accompanying notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

**TRAVELZOO**  
**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**(Unaudited)**

**Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**(a) The Company and Basis of Presentation**

Travelzoo® is a global Internet media company. We provide our more than 30 million members insider deals and one-of-a-kind experiences personally reviewed by one of our deal experts around the globe. We have our finger on the pulse of outstanding travel, entertainment, and lifestyle experiences. For over 20 years we have worked in partnership with more than 5,000 top travel suppliers—our long-standing relationships give Travelzoo members access to irresistible deals. Travelzoo's revenues are generated primarily from advertising fees.

Travelzoo (the "Company" or "we") attracts a high-quality audience of travel enthusiasts across multiple digital platforms, including email, web, social media and mobile applications. Our insider deals and email newsletters are published by Travelzoo and its licensees worldwide. Our publications and products include the *Travelzoo* website (travelzoo.com), the *Travelzoo* iPhone and Android apps, the *Travelzoo Top 20*® email newsletter, the *Newsflash* email alert service, and the *Travelzoo Network*. Our *Travelzoo* website includes *Local Deals* and *Getaways* listings that allow our members to purchase vouchers for deals from local businesses such as spas, hotels and restaurants.

We also license the use of these products and our intellectual property in various countries in Asia Pacific, including but not limited to Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea and Southeast Asia. We are also the majority shareholder of JFC Travel Group Co. ("Jack's Flight Club"), which operates *Jack's Flight Club*.

For our voucher products, we receive a percentage of the face value of the voucher from the local businesses.

***APAC Exit and Pivot to Licensing Model***

In March 2020, Travelzoo exited its loss-making Asia Pacific business and pivoted to a licensing model, whereby Travelzoo's business practices and intellectual property are utilized by local licensees to continue to provide high quality insider deals and content to Travelzoo members throughout Asia Pacific. Such existing members in Asia Pacific will continue to be owned by Travelzoo as the licensor. The Company's Asia Pacific business was classified as discontinued operations at March 31, 2020. Prior periods have been reclassified to conform with the current presentation.

Travelzoo currently has license agreements in Japan and South Korea, as well as Australia, New Zealand and Singapore. The license agreement for Japan provides a license to the licensee to use the intellectual property of Travelzoo exclusively in Japan in exchange for quarterly royalty payments based on net revenue over a 5 year term, with an option to renew. The territory subject to the license was amended to also include South Korea. An interest free loan was provided to the licensee for JPY 46 million (approximately \$430,000) to be repaid over 3 years which the Company recorded as other assets on the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2021.

The license agreement for Australia, New Zealand and Singapore provides a license to the licensee to use the intellectual property of Travelzoo exclusively in Australia, New Zealand and Singapore for quarterly royalty payments based upon net revenue over a 5 year term, with an option to renew.

The Company records royalties for its licensing arrangements on a one-quarter lag basis. The Company recognized royalties of \$0 and \$9,000 from Travelzoo Japan for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021. The Company recognized royalties of \$2,000 for its licensing arrangements from AUS Buyer for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021. We expect the royalty payments to increase over time as the effects of the pandemic subside.

***WeGo Investment***

The Company previously held a minority share equal to 33.7% in weekengo GmbH ("WeGo"), which the Company sold to trivago N.V. ("trivago") on December 23, 2020.

Per the Share Purchase Agreement, by and among Travelzoo (Europe) Limited, trivago, and the other shareholders of WeGo (the "trivago SPA"), the Company sold all of its shares in WeGo to trivago for a total purchase price of approximately \$2.9 million, of which \$213,000 was placed in escrow for one year. The Company recorded \$468,000 gain in Other income (loss), net. for the sale of WeGo shares in 2020.

The Company's advertising revenues from WeGo for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 were \$384,000 and \$1.2 million, respectively. WeGo agreed to pay in a lump sum the remaining amount outstanding pursuant to the Insertion Order equal to approximately \$200,000. The payment was made and recorded in the first quarter of 2021. The Second Insertion Order and any obligation for additional payments from WeGo for marketing were terminated.

The Company acquired the domain name and trademark “weekend.com” in 2005 which was amortized over five years. Concurrently with the sale of the shares, the Company also sold the domain name and trademark “weekend.com” to trivago in exchange for a payment of \$822,000. The Company recorded \$822,000 gain in general and administrative expenses for the sale of the domain name and trademark “weekend.com” in 2020.

### ***Jack’s Flight Club***

In January 2020, Travelzoo acquired Jack’s Flight Club, which operates *Jack’s Flight Club*, a subscription service that provides members with information about exceptional airfares. As of September 30, 2021, Jack’s Flight Club had 1.7 million subscribers. Jack’s Flight Club’s revenues are generated by subscription fees paid by members. See Note 3 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for further information.

### ***Ownership***

Ralph Bartel, who founded Travelzoo and who is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company, is the sole beneficiary of the Ralph Bartel 2005 Trust, which is the controlling shareholder of Azzurro Capital Inc. (“Azzurro”). As of September 30, 2021, Azzurro is the Company’s largest shareholder, holding approximately 38.9% of the Company’s outstanding shares.

### ***Financial Statements***

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared by the Company in accordance with the rules and regulations of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted in accordance with such rules and regulations. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary to state fairly the financial position of the Company and its results of operations and cash flows. These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company’s audited consolidated financial statements and related notes as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, included in the Company’s Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 31, 2021.

The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The financial results of Jack’s Flight Club have been included in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition. Investments in entities where the Company does not have control, but does have significant influence, are accounted for as equity method investments.

Management of the Company has made a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities to prepare these financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. Significant estimates included in the consolidated financial statements and related notes include revenue recognition, refund liability, income taxes, stock-based compensation, loss contingencies, useful lives of property and equipment, purchase price allocation for the business combination and related impairment assessment, relating to the projections and assumptions used. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2021 or any other future period, and the Company makes no representations related thereto.

### **(b) Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, “Financial Instruments–Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments,” which provides new guidance on the measurement of credit losses for financial assets measured at amortized cost, which includes accounts receivable. The new guidance replaces the existing incurred loss impairment model with an expected loss methodology, which will result in more timely recognition of credit losses. This update is effective for public business entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods within those fiscal years. For Smaller Reporting Companies (as such term is defined by the SEC), such as Travelzoo, the standard will be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Entities are required to apply this update on a modified retrospective basis with a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the period of adoption. The Company is currently evaluating the impact on its financial position and results of operations.

### **(c) Significant Accounting Policies**

Below are a summary of the Company’s significant accounting policies. For a comprehensive description of our accounting policies, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020.

## Revenue Recognition

The Company follows Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" (Topic 606).

Under Topic 606, revenue is recognized when control of the promised goods or services is transferred to our customers, in an amount that reflects the consideration we expect to be entitled to in exchange for those goods or services.

The Company's revenues are primarily advertising fees generated from the publishing of travel and entertainment deals on the *Travelzoo* website, in the *Top 20* email newsletter, in *Newsflash* and through the *Travelzoo Network*. The Company also generates transaction-based revenues from the sale of vouchers through our *Local Deals* and *Getaways* products and operation of a hotel booking platform and limited offerings of vacation packages and subscription revenues from Jack's Flight Club. The Company's disaggregated revenues are included in "Note 9: Segment Reporting and Significant Customer Information".

For fixed-fee website advertising, the Company recognizes revenues ratably over the contracted placement period.

For the *Top 20* email newsletter and other email products, the Company recognizes revenues when the emails are delivered to its members.

The Company offers advertising on a cost-per-click basis, which means that an advertiser pays the Company only when a user clicks on an advertisement on Travelzoo properties or *Travelzoo Network* members' properties. For these customers, the Company recognizes revenues each time a user clicks on the ad.

The Company also offers advertising on other bases, such as cost-per-impression, which means that an advertiser pays the Company based on the number of times their advertisement is displayed on Travelzoo properties, email advertisements, *Travelzoo Network* properties, or social media properties. For these customers, the Company recognizes revenues each time an advertisement is shown or email delivered.

For transaction based revenues, including products such as *Local Deals*, *Getaways*, hotel platform and vacation packages, the Company evaluates whether it is the principal (i.e., report revenue on a gross basis) versus an agent (i.e., report revenue on a net basis). The Company reports transaction revenue on a net basis because the supplier is primarily responsible for providing the underlying service, and we do not control the service provided by the supplier prior to its transfer to the customer.

For *Local Deals* and *Getaways* products, the Company earns a fee for acting as an agent for the sale of vouchers that can be redeemed for services with third-party merchants. Revenues are presented net of the amounts due to the third-party merchants for fulfilling the underlying services and an estimated amount for future refunds. Since the second quarter of 2020, the Company expanded its vouchers refund policy in order to entice customers given the current economic climate to fully refundable until the voucher expires or is redeemed by the customer. Certain merchant contracts allow the Company to retain the proceeds from unredeemed vouchers. With these contracts, the Company estimates the value of vouchers that will ultimately not be redeemed and records the estimate as revenues in the same period.

Jack's Flight Club revenue is generated from paid subscriptions by members. Subscription options are quarterly, semi-annually, and annually. We recognize the revenue on a pro-rated basis based upon the subscription option.

Commission revenue related to hotel platform is recognized ratably over the period of guest stay, net of an allowance for cancellations based upon historical patterns. For arrangements for booking non-cancelable reservations where the Company's performance obligation is deemed to be the successful booking of a hotel reservation, we record revenue for the commissions upon completion of the hotel booking.

The Company's contracts with customers may include multiple performance obligations in which the Company allocates revenues to each performance obligation based upon its standalone selling price. The Company determines standalone selling price based on its overall pricing objectives, taking into consideration the type of services, geographical region of the customers, normal rate card pricing and customary discounts. Standalone selling price is generally determined based on the prices charged to customers when the product is sold separately.

The Company relies upon the following practical expedients and exemptions allowed for in the ASC 606. The Company expenses sales commissions when incurred because the amortization period would be one year or less. These costs are recorded in sales and marketing expenses. In addition, the Company does not disclose the value of unsatisfied performance obligations for (a) contracts with an original expected length of one year or less and (b) contracts for which it recognizes revenues at the amount to which it has the right to invoice for services performed.

Deferred revenue primarily consists of customer prepayments and undelivered performance obligations related to the Company's contracts with multiple performance obligations. At December 31, 2020, \$1.3 million was recorded as deferred

revenue for Travelzoo North America and Travelzoo Europe, of which \$620,000 was recognized as revenue during the nine months ended September 30, 2021. At September 30, 2021, the deferred revenue balance was \$1.8 million, of which \$429,000 was for Travelzoo North America and Travelzoo Europe, and the remaining \$1.4 million was for Jack's Flight Club.

### ***Reserve for Refunds to Members***

The Company records an estimated reserve for refunds to members based on our historical experience at the time revenue is recorded for *Local Deals* and *Getaways* voucher sales. We consider many key factors such as the historical refunds based upon the time lag since the sale, historical reasons for refunds, time period that remains until the deal expiration date, any changes in refund procedures and estimates of redemptions and breakage.

For publishing revenue, we recognize revenue upon delivery of the emails and delivery of the clicks, over the period of the placement of the advertising. Insertion orders for publishing revenue are typically for periods between one month and twelve months and are not automatically renewed. For *Getaways* vouchers, we recognize a percentage of the face value of the vouchers upon the sale of the vouchers. Merchant agreements for *Getaways* advertisers are typically for periods between twelve months and twenty-four months and are not automatically renewed. Since the second quarter of 2020, the Company expanded its vouchers refund policy in order to entice customers given the current economic climate to fully refundable until the voucher expires or is redeemed by the customer. The Company now offers fully refundable refunds for vouchers that have not been redeemed or expired. The expiration dates of vouchers range between October 2021 through December 2023. The revenues generated from *Local Deals* vouchers and entertainment offers are based upon a percentage of the face value of the vouchers, commission on actual sales or a listing fee based on audience reach. For *Local Deals* vouchers, we recognize a percentage of the face value of vouchers upon the sale of the vouchers. The Company estimated the refund reserve by using historical and current refund rates by product and by merchant location to calculate the estimated future refunds. As of September 30, 2021 the Company had approximately \$18.3 million of unredeemed vouchers that had been sold through September 30, 2021 representing the Company's commission earned from the sale. The Company had estimated a refund liability of \$3.1 million for these unredeemed vouchers as of September 30, 2021 which is recorded as a reduction of revenues and is reflected as a current liability in Accrued expenses and other on the consolidated balance sheet. As of December 31, 2020, the Company had approximately \$15.2 million of unredeemed vouchers that had been sold during 2020 representing the Company's commission earned from the sale and estimated a refund liability of \$3.9 million for these unredeemed vouchers as of December 31, 2020 which is recorded as a reduction of revenues and is reflected as a current liability in Accrued expenses and other on the consolidated balance sheet. The Company has recorded Merchant Payables of \$73.2 million as of September 30, 2021 related to unredeemed vouchers. Insertion orders and merchant agreements for Travelzoo Local are typically for periods between one month and twelve months and are not automatically renewed except for merchant contracts in foreign locations. Should any of these factors change, the estimates made by management will also change, which could impact the level of our future reserve for refunds to member. Specifically, if the financial condition of our advertisers, the business that is providing the vouchered service, were to deteriorate, affecting their ability to provide the services to our members, additional reserves for refunds to members may be required and may adversely affect future revenue as the liability is recorded against revenue.

Estimated member refunds that are determined to be recoverable from the merchant are recorded in the consolidated statements of operations as a reduction to revenue. We accrue costs associated with refunds in accrued expenses on the consolidated balance sheets. Estimated member refunds that are determined not to be recoverable from the merchant are presented as a cost of revenue. If our judgments regarding estimated member refunds are inaccurate, reported results of operations could differ from the amount we previously accrued.

### ***Business Combinations***

The purchase price of an acquisition is allocated to the tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values at the acquisition date. To the extent the purchase price exceeds the fair value of the net identifiable tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed, such excess is allocated to goodwill. The Company determines the estimated fair values after review and consideration of relevant information, including discounted cash flows, quoted market prices and estimates made by management. The Company records the net assets and results of operations of an acquired entity from the acquisition date and adjusts the preliminary purchase price allocation, as necessary, during the measurement period of up to one year after the acquisition closing date as it obtains more information as to facts and circumstances existing at the acquisition date impacting asset valuations and liabilities assumed. Acquisition-related costs are recognized separately from the acquisition and are expensed as incurred.

### ***Identifiable intangible assets***

Upon acquisition, identifiable intangible assets are recorded at fair value and are carried at cost less accumulated amortization. Identifiable intangible assets with finite lives are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The carrying values of all intangible assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances

indicate that their carrying amounts may not be recoverable. The Company evaluated intangible assets in the first quarter of 2020 due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and recorded an impairment expense of \$810,000. The Company performed its annual test as of October 31, 2020 and no impairment charge was identified in connection with the annual impairment test. The Company did not identify any indicators of impairment during the nine months ended September 30, 2021.

### ***Goodwill***

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price of an acquired business over the fair value of the underlying net tangible and intangible assets. Goodwill is evaluated for impairment annually, and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value of goodwill may not be recoverable. In testing goodwill for impairment, the Company first uses a qualitative assessment to evaluate whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than the carrying amount. If the qualitative assessment indicates that goodwill impairment is more likely than not, the Company performs an impairment test by comparing the book value of net assets to the fair value of the reporting units. The Company evaluated goodwill in the first quarter of 2020 due to the global pandemic and recorded an impairment expense of \$2.1 million. The Company performed its annual impairment test as of October 31, 2020 and no impairment charge was identified in connection with the annual impairment test. The Company did not identify any indicators of impairment during the nine months ended September 30, 2021.

### ***Operating Leases***

The Company determines if an arrangement contains a lease at inception. Operating lease right-of-use (“ROU”) assets and operating lease liabilities are recognized based on the present value of the future minimum lease payments over the lease term at commencement date. The lease payments used to determine the operating lease assets may include lease incentives and stated rent increases. The Company does not include options to extend or terminate until it is reasonably certain that the option will be exercised. Lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The Company uses its incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the commencement date in determining the lease liabilities as the Company’s leases generally do not provide an implicit rate. The Company elected not to recognize leases with an initial term of 12 months or less on its unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The Company’s leases are reflected in operating lease ROU assets, operating lease liabilities and long-term operating lease liabilities in our unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets. The lease expense for minimum lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The Company also has a real estate lease agreement which is subleased to a third party. The Company recognizes sublease income in “Other income (loss), net”, on a straight-line basis over the lease term in its condensed consolidated statements of income.

### ***Certain Risks and Uncertainties***

The Company’s business is subject to risks associated with its ability to attract and retain advertisers and offer products or services on compelling terms to our members. The global pandemic is having an unprecedented impact on the global travel and hospitality industries. Governmental authorities have implemented numerous measures to try to contain the virus, including restrictions on travel, quarantines, shelter-in-place orders, business restrictions and complete shut-downs. The measures implemented to contain the global pandemic have had, and are expected to continue to have, a significant negative effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

The Company’s cash, cash equivalents and accounts receivable are potentially subject to concentration of credit risk. Cash and cash equivalents are placed with financial institutions that the management believes are of high credit quality. The accounts receivables are derived from revenue earned from customers located in the U.S. and internationally. As of September 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the Company did not have any customers that accounted for 10% or more of accounts receivable.

Many of the Company’s advertisers and partners are part of the global travel and hospitality industry. The measures implemented to contain COVID have had, and are expected to continue to have, a significant negative effect on the Company’s business, financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows. The measures implemented led to many of the Company’s advertisers pausing, canceling, or stopping advertising with us, as well as a high level of cancellations for our hotel partners and travel package partners, and refund requests for vouchers sold by Travelzoo for restaurant and spa partners. It is difficult to estimate the impact of the COVID pandemic on the Company’s future revenues, results of operations, cash flows, liquidity, or financial condition.

As of September 30, 2021, the Company had merchant payables of \$73.2 million related to the sale of vouchers. In the Company’s financial statements presented in this 10-Q report, following GAAP accounting principles, we classified all merchant payables as current. When all merchant payables are classified as current, there is negative net working capital (which

is defined as current assets minus current liabilities) of \$18.0 million. Payables to merchants are generally due upon redemption of vouchers. The vouchers have maturities from October 2021 through December 2023. Management believes that redemptions may be delayed for international vouchers in the current environment. Based on current projections of redemption activity, management expect that cash on hand as of September 30, 2021 will be sufficient to provide for working capital needs for at least the next twelve months. However, if redemption activity is more accelerated, if the Company's business is not profitable, or if the Company's planned targets for cash flows from operations are not met, the Company may need to obtain additional financing to meet its working capital needs in the future. The Company believes that it could obtain additional financing if needed, but there can be no assurance that financing will be available on terms that are acceptable to the Company, if at all.

**Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash**

Cash equivalents consist of highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less on the date of purchase. Restricted cash includes cash and cash equivalents that is restricted through legal contracts, regulations or our intention to use the cash for a specific purpose. Our restricted cash primarily relates to refundable deposits and funds held in escrow.

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash reported within the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets to the total amounts shown in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of cash flows:

	September 30, 2021	December 31, 2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 65,204	\$ 63,061
Restricted cash	1,154	1,178
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash—discontinued operations	43	146
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash in the condensed consolidated statements of cash flows	<u>\$ 66,401</u>	<u>\$ 64,385</u>

The Company's restricted cash was included in noncurrent assets as of September 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020.

**Note 2: Net Income (Loss) Per Share**

Basic net income (loss) per share is computed using the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted net income per share is computed by adjusting the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the effect of dilutive potential common shares outstanding during the period. Potential common shares included in the diluted calculation consist of incremental shares issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options calculated using the treasury stock method.

The following table sets forth the calculation of basic and diluted net income (loss) per share (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
<b>Numerator:</b>				
Net income (loss) attributable to Travelzoo—continuing operations	\$ 2,842	\$ (1,121)	\$ 4,200	\$ (10,206)
Net loss attributable to Travelzoo—discontinued operations	\$ (19)	\$ (230)	\$ (5)	\$ (3,944)
<b>Denominator:</b>				
Weighted average common shares—basic	11,648	11,310	11,510	11,353
Effect of dilutive securities: stock options	1,256	—	1,622	—
Weighted average common shares—diluted	12,904	11,310	13,132	11,353
<b>Income (loss) per share—basic</b>				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.10)	\$ 0.36	\$ (0.90)
Discontinued operations	—	(0.02)	—	(0.35)
Net income (loss) per share —basic	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.36	\$ (1.25)
<b>Income (loss) per share—diluted</b>				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.22	\$ (0.10)	\$ 0.32	\$ (0.90)
Discontinued operations	—	(0.02)	—	(0.35)
Net income (loss) per share—diluted	\$ 0.22	\$ (0.12)	\$ 0.32	\$ (1.25)

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, options to purchase 50,000 shares and 3.4 million shares of common stock, respectively, were not included in the computation of diluted net income (loss) per share because the effect would have been anti-dilutive.

### Note 3: Acquisition

On January 13, 2020, Travelzoo entered into the SPA with the shareholders of Jack’s Flight Club for the purchase of up to 100% of the outstanding capital stock of Jack’s Flight Club (the “Shares”). Pursuant to the SPA, on January 13, 2020, the Sellers sold 60% of the Shares to the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$12.0 million, \$1.0 million of which was paid in cash and \$11.0 million of which was paid in Promissory Notes. The Promissory Notes contain an interest rate of 1.6% per annum and a due date of January 31, 2020, with a one-time right to extend the maturity date up to April 30, 2020 with a principal payment of \$1.0 million on January 31, 2020, which the Company exercised. The remaining 40% of the Shares are subject to a call/put option exercisable by the Company or the Sellers, as applicable, on or around January 1, 2021, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the SPA. The results of Jack’s Flight Club in 2020 did not meet the thresholds required for the put/call option to be exercisable.

On June 3, 2020, the Company renegotiated the SPA with the Sellers of Jack’s Flight Club and reached a negotiated settlement. The Company recorded adjustments accordingly, however, these adjustments are not considered measurement period adjustments to the purchase consideration since there is not a clear and direct link to the consideration transferred in the SPA entered into on January 13, 2020.

The strategic rationale for the Jack’s Flight Club acquisition was to expand *Jack’s Flight Club’s* membership to Travelzoo members worldwide, so the members from Travelzoo could also sign up to receive offers from Jack’s Flight Club.

The acquisition has been accounted for using the acquisition method in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 805, Business Combinations. Under the acquisition method of accounting, the total purchase consideration of the acquisition is allocated to the tangible assets and identifiable intangible assets and liabilities assumed based on their relative fair values. The excess of the purchase consideration over the net tangible and identifiable intangible assets is recorded as goodwill. The acquisition related costs were not significant and were expensed as incurred.



### **Purchase Price Allocation**

The purchase price allocation is based on estimates, assumptions and third-party valuations. The aggregate purchase price and allocation was as follows (in thousands):

<b>Purchase Price</b>	<b>Jack's Flight Club</b>
Cash paid	\$ 1,000
Promissory notes issued	10,931
Fair Value of Put/Call Option	183
	<u>\$ 12,114</u>
<b>Allocation</b>	
Goodwill	\$ 13,054
Intangible assets:	
Customer relationships	3,500
Trade name	2,460
Non-compete agreements	660
Current assets acquired, including cash of \$321	324
Current liabilities assumed	(40)
Deferred revenue	(881)
Deferred tax liabilities	(1,391)
Non-controlling interest	(5,572)
	<u>\$ 12,114</u>

The Company determined the estimated fair value of the put/call option using the Monte Carlo Simulation approach and the identifiable intangible assets acquired primarily using the income approach. Non-controlling interests represent third-party shareholders and are measured at fair value on the date acquired.

### **Goodwill**

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the Company's share of the identifiable net assets of the acquired subsidiary. Goodwill is evaluated for impairment annually, and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value of goodwill may not be recoverable. The Company determined that the global pandemic was a triggering event requiring the Company to assess its long-lived assets including goodwill for impairment. The Company performed an impairment test during the first quarter of 2020 and during the fourth quarter of 2020 by comparing the carrying value of Jack's Flight Club net assets to the fair value of the Jack's Flight Club reporting unit based on an updated discounted cash flow analysis. The fair value of the Jack's Flight Club reporting unit was determined to be less than the carrying value, and the difference between the estimated fair value of goodwill and the carrying value was recorded as goodwill impairment of \$2.1 million. The Company also performed an ASC 360 analysis for long-lived assets noting no impairment of such assets based on the undiscounted cash flows of the Jack's Flight Club asset group. The Company first impaired indefinite lived intangible assets ("Trade name") for \$810,000 before impairing goodwill.

The following table summarizes the goodwill activity for the three months ended March 31, 2020 (in thousands):

Goodwill—January 1, 2020	\$	—
Acquisition		13,054
Impairment—March 31, 2020		(2,110)
Goodwill—March 31, 2020	\$	<u>10,944</u>

There has been no change in goodwill for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and no changes since March 31, 2020.

### **Intangible Assets**

The following table represents the fair value and estimated useful lives of intangible assets (in thousands):

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Estimated Life (Years)</u>
Customer relationships	\$ 3,500	5
Trade name	2,460	indefinite
Non-compete agreements	660	4

The fair value of intangible assets of \$6.6 million has been allocated to the following three asset categories: 1) customer relationships, 2) trade name, and 3) non-compete agreements. These assets are included within “Intangible assets” on our consolidated balance sheets. Customer relationships and non-compete agreements are being amortized to operating expenses over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line basis for non-compete agreements or on an accelerated basis for customer relationships.

The following table represents the activities of intangible assets for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 (in thousands):

	<u>Fair Value</u>
Intangible assets—January 1, 2020	\$ —
Acquisition	6,620
Impairment of trade name	(810)
Amortization of intangible assets with definite lives	(1,276)
Intangible assets- December 31, 2020	<u>4,534</u>
Amortization of intangible assets with definite lives	(284)
Intangible assets- March 31, 2021	<u>4,250</u>
Amortization of intangible assets with definite lives	(275)
Intangible assets- June 30, 2021	<u>3,975</u>
Amortization of intangible assets with definite lives	(275)
Intangible assets- September 30, 2021	<u>\$ 3,700</u>

Amortization expense for acquired intangibles was \$275,000 and \$333,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Amortization expense for acquired intangibles was \$833,000 and \$943,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Expected future amortization expense of acquired intangible assets as of September 30, 2021 is as follows (in thousands):

Years ending December 31,	
2021 remainder	\$ 274
2022	875
2023	641
2024	250
2025	10
	\$ 2,050

As previously discussed in “Goodwill”, the Company’s impairment test indicated that Jack’s Flight Club’s indefinite lived intangible assets (“Trade name”) was impaired for \$810,000 for the first quarter of 2020. The Company performed its annual impairment testing of Trade name during the fourth fiscal quarter and did not identify any additional impairment in 2020. The Company did not identify any indicators of impairment during the nine months ended September 30, 2021.

### **Unaudited Pro Forma Information**

The acquired company was consolidated into our financial statements starting on the acquisition date. The unaudited financial information in the table below summarizes the combined results of operations of Travelzoo and Jack’s Flight Club, on a pro forma basis, as though the companies had been combined as of the beginning of the fiscal year presented. The debt was issued to finance the acquisition of Jack’s Flight Club. The unaudited pro forma information has been calculated after applying the Company’s accounting policies and includes adjustments to reflect the amortization charges from acquired intangible assets, adjustments to deferred revenue, interest expense and related tax effects. The unaudited pro forma financial information is presented for informational purposes only and is not indicative of the results of operations that would have been achieved if the acquisition had taken place at the beginning of the fiscal year presented.

The following table summarizes the pro forma financial information (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2020		September 30, 2020	
Revenues	\$	13,787	\$	41,239
Net loss	\$	(1,226)	\$	(15,247)

### **Jack’s Flight Club Settlement**

On June 3, 2020, the Company and the Seller renegotiated the SPA. Pursuant to the original terms of the outstanding Promissory Notes, the Company owed \$10.0 million plus interest (the “Outstanding Amount”) to the Sellers on April 30, 2020. On June 3, 2020, the parties reached a negotiated settlement for the Outstanding Amount with the following terms: (a) \$1.5 million was forgiven in settlement of certain outstanding indemnification claims disputed by the Sellers; (b) \$6.8 million, plus accrued interest, was paid to the Sellers by Travelzoo, and (c) the remaining \$1.7 million to be paid by June 2021 pursuant to new promissory notes with each of the Sellers that contain a 12% interest rate. The Company recorded \$1.5 million gain in “General and administrative expenses” for the partial forgiveness of the outstanding loan in the second quarter of 2020. The \$1.7 million new promissory notes was paid off in October 2020. Total interest expense for the Promissory Notes of \$142,000 was recorded in Other income (loss), net in 2020.

Travelzoo also agreed that the additional payment set forth in the SPA (equal to 20% of 2020 net income) would be payable to the Sellers regardless of whether EBITDA targets are achieved and the put/call is exercised in 2021. The Company estimated and accrued \$448,000 in “General and administrative expenses” in 2020. \$492,000 was paid to the Sellers during the first quarter of 2021 relating to this agreement.

The parties also agreed to a new put/call option exercisable in 2022 by the Sellers or Travelzoo, as applicable, only if the put/call option for 2021 as set forth in the SPA is not exercised, with a EBITDA threshold of \$4.3 million and a purchase price equal to 40% of 2021 EBITDA multiplied by 3.5, and an additional payment equal to 20% of 2021 net income if the EBITDA threshold is achieved. The Company re-evaluated the fair value of the put/call option by using the Monte Carlo Simulation approach and determined that the extension of the one year period did not change the fair value of the put/call option materially.

#### **Note 4: Commitments and Contingencies**

From time to time, the Company is subject to various claims and legal proceedings, either asserted or unasserted, that arise in the ordinary course of business. The Company accrues for legal contingencies if the Company can estimate the potential liability and if the Company believes it is probable that the case will be ruled against it. If a legal claim for which the Company did not accrue is resolved against it, the Company would record the expense in the period in which the ruling was made. The Company believes that the likelihood of an ultimate amount of liability, if any, for any pending claims of any type (alone or combined) that will materially affect the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows is remote. The ultimate outcome of any litigation is uncertain, however, and unfavorable outcomes could have a material negative impact on the Company's financial condition and operating results. Regardless of outcome, litigation can have an adverse impact on the Company because of defense costs, negative publicity, diversion of management resources and other factors.

The Company was formed as a result of a combination and merger of entities founded by the Company's principal shareholder, Ralph Bartel. In 2002, Travelzoo.com Corporation ("Netsurfers") was merged into the Company. Under and subject to the terms of the merger agreement, holders of promotional shares of Netsurfers who established that they had satisfied certain prerequisite qualifications were allowed a period of 2 years following the effective date of the merger to receive one share of the Company in exchange for each share of common stock of Netsurfers. In 2004, two years following the effective date of the merger, certain promotional shares remained unexchanged. As the right to exchange these promotional shares expired, no additional shares were reserved for issuance. Thereafter, the Company began to offer a voluntary cash program for those who established that they had satisfied certain prerequisite qualifications for Netsurfers promotional shares as further described below.

During 2010 through 2014, the Company became subject to unclaimed property audits of various states in the United States related to the above unexchanged promotional shares and completed settlements with all states. Although the Company has settled the unclaimed property claims with all states, the Company may still receive inquiries from certain potential Netsurfers promotional shareholders that had not provided their state of residence to the Company by April 25, 2004. Therefore, the Company is continuing its voluntary program under which it makes cash payments to individuals related to the promotional shares for individuals whose residence was unknown by the Company and who establish that they satisfy the original conditions required for them to receive shares of Netsurfers, and who failed to submit requests to convert their shares into shares of Travelzoo within the required time period. This voluntary program is not available for individuals whose promotional shares have been escheated to a state by the Company, except those individuals for which their residence was unknown to the Company. The Company did not make any payments for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020.

The total cost of this program cannot be reliably estimated because it is based on the ultimate number of valid requests received and future levels of the Company's common stock price. The Company's common stock price affects the liability because the amount of cash payments under the program is based in part on the recent level of the stock price at the date valid requests are received. The Company does not know how many of the requests for shares originally received by Netsurfers in 1998 were valid, but the Company believes that only a portion of such requests were valid. In order to receive payment under this voluntary program, a person is required to establish that such person validly held shares in Netsurfers.

The Company leases office space in Canada, France, Germany, Spain, the U.K., and the U.S. under operating leases. Our leases have remaining lease terms ranging from less than one year to up to nine years. Refer to Note 11 for Leases as of September 30, 2021. The Company maintains several standby letters of credit ("LOC") to serve as collateral issued to certain landlords. The LOCs are collateralized with cash which is included in the line item "Restricted cash" in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The Company has purchase commitments aggregating approximately \$3.4 million as of September 30, 2021, which represent the minimum obligations the Company has under agreements with certain suppliers. These minimum obligations are less than the Company's projected use for those periods. Payments may be more than the minimum obligations based on actual use.

## Note 5: Income Taxes

Ordinarily, in determining the quarterly provisions for income taxes, the Company uses an estimated annual effective tax rate, which is generally based on our expected annual income and statutory tax rates in the U.S., Canada, and the U.K. Due to the global pandemic, and difficulty forecasting the calendar year 2021 of income (loss) by jurisdiction, we determined the estimated annual effective rate method would not provide a reliable estimate of the Company's overall annual effective tax rate. As such, we have calculated the tax provision using the actual effective rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2021. The Company's effective tax rate from continuing operations was 8% and 20%, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The Company's effective tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2021 decreased from the three months ended September 30, 2020 primarily due to PPP loan forgiveness income generated in the three months ended September 30, 2021 that is exempt from tax. The Company's effective tax rate from continuing operations was 33% and 15%, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The Company's effective tax rate increased for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2020 primarily due to changes in deferred tax assets from limitations on deductible stock-based compensation, offset by PPP Loan forgiveness income exempt from tax.

As of September 30, 2021, the Company is permanently reinvested in certain of its non-U.S. subsidiaries and does not have a deferred tax liability related to its undistributed foreign earnings. The estimated amount of the unrecognized deferred tax liability attributed to future withholding taxes on dividend distributions of undistributed earnings for certain non-U.S. subsidiaries, which the Company intends to reinvest the related earnings indefinitely in its operations outside the U.S., is approximately \$723,000.

The Company maintains liabilities for uncertain tax positions. At September 30, 2021, the Company had approximately \$961,000 in total unrecognized tax benefits, which if recognized, would favorably affect the Company's effective income tax rate.

The Company's policy is to include interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax positions in income tax expense. To the extent accrued interest and penalties do not ultimately become payable, amounts accrued will be reduced and reflected as a reduction in the overall income tax provision in the period that such determination is made. At September 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the Company had approximately \$278,000 and \$235,000 in accrued interest, and \$89,000 and \$0 in accrued penalties, respectively.

The Company files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, various U.S. states and foreign jurisdictions. The Company is subject to U.S. federal and certain state tax examinations for certain years from 2017 and forward and is subject to California tax examinations for years after 2016.

We do not know what our income taxes will be in future periods. There may be fluctuations that have a material impact on our results of operations. Our income taxes are dependent on numerous factors such as the geographic mix of our taxable income, federal and state and foreign country tax law and regulations and changes thereto, the determination of whether valuation allowances for certain tax assets are required or not, audits of prior years' tax returns resulting in adjustments, resolution of uncertain tax positions and different treatment for certain items for tax versus books. We expect fluctuations in our income taxes from year to year and from quarter to quarter. Some of the fluctuations may be significant and have a material impact on our results of operations.

On March 27, 2020, President Trump signed into law the CARES Act, which, along with earlier issued IRS guidance, provides for deferral of certain taxes. The CARES Act, among other things, also contains numerous other provisions which may benefit the Company. We continue to assess the effect of the CARES Act and ongoing government guidance related to the global pandemic that may be issued.

**Note 6: Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss**

The following table summarizes the changes in accumulated other comprehensive loss (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Beginning balance	\$ (3,487)	\$ (4,666)	\$ (4,059)	\$ (3,452)
Other comprehensive income (loss) due to foreign currency translation, net of tax	(401)	349	171	(460)
Reclassification of amounts to income relating to APAC discontinued operations, net of tax	—	183	—	(222)
Ending balance	\$ (3,888)	\$ (4,134)	\$ (3,888)	\$ (4,134)

The Company reclassified \$599,000 from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) for the year ended December 31, 2020 due to Asia Pacific was considered a discontinued operation in March 2020. There were no amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021. Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) consists of foreign currency translation gain or loss.

**Note 7: Stock-Based Compensation and Stock Options**

The Company accounts for its employee stock options under the fair value method, which requires stock-based compensation to be estimated using the fair value on the date of grant using an option-pricing model. The value of the portion of the award that is expected to vest is recognized on a straight-line basis as expense over the related employees' requisite service periods in the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations.

In September 2015, pursuant to an executed Option Agreement, the Company granted its Global Chief Executive Officer, Holger Bartel, options to purchase 400,000 shares of common stock of the Company, with an exercise price of \$8.07 and quarterly vesting beginning on March 31, 2016 (the "2015 Option Agreement"). The 2015 Option Agreement expires in September 2025. The options are now fully vested and the stock-based compensation related to these options was fully expensed. In October 2017, pursuant to an executed Option Agreement, the Company granted Mr. Bartel options to purchase 400,000 shares of common stock, with an exercise price of \$6.95 and quarterly vesting beginning on March 31, 2018 (the "2017 Option Agreement"). The 2017 Option Agreement expires in 2027. During 2019, 250,000 options granted pursuant to the 2017 Option Agreement were exercised by Mr. Bartel. The remaining 150,000 options are fully vested and the stock-based compensation related to these options was fully expensed. In September 2019, the Company granted Mr. Bartel options to purchase 400,000 shares of common stock subject to shareholder approval, with an exercise price of \$10.79 and quarterly vesting beginning on March 31, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2021 (the "2019 Option Agreement" and together with the 2015 Option Agreement and the 2017 Option Agreements, the "Bartel Option Agreements"). The 2019 Option Agreement expires in 2024.

On May 29, 2020, the shareholders of the Company approved certain amendments to the Bartel Option Agreements, which increased and repriced all outstanding, unexercised options granted to Mr. Bartel (the "Option Agreement Amendments"). Pursuant to the Option Agreement Amendments and subject to shareholder approval, the exercise price for the options was repriced to the official NASDAQ closing share price on March 30, 2020 (the date of execution of the Option Agreement Amendments, which immediately followed the date of approval of the grants from the Board of Directors of the Company), which was \$3.49. Additionally, the Option Agreement Amendments made the following increases: (a) 400,000 additional options to purchase the Company's common stock pursuant to the 2015 Option Agreement, (b) 150,000 additional options to purchase the Company's common stock pursuant to the 2017 Option Agreement, and (c) 400,000 additional options to purchase the Company's common stock pursuant to the 2019 Option Agreement, which resulted in a total of 1,900,000 options granted to Mr. Bartel pursuant to the Option Agreement Amendments. Mr. Bartel's amended options pursuant to the 2015 Option Agreement and the 2017 Option Agreement were fully vested upon the execution of the applicable Option Agreement Amendment. Therefore, stock-based compensation related to these options was fully expensed in second quarter of 2020. During the three months ended September 30, 2021, 500,000 options granted pursuant to the 2015 Option Agreement and 160,000 options granted pursuant to the 2019 Option Agreement were exercised by Mr. Bartel, 188,737 shares of common stock were issued as the result of a cashless exercise and 112,901 shares of common stock were issued as the result of net settlement with respect to the exercise price were approved by Travelzoo's Board of Directors. During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, 600,000 options granted pursuant to the 2015 Option Agreement, 300,000 options granted pursuant to the 2017 Option Agreement and 160,000 options granted pursuant to the 2019 Option Agreement were exercised by Mr. Bartel, 367,086 shares of common stock were issued as the result of a cashless exercise and 112,901 shares of common stock were

issued as the result of net settlement with respect to the exercise price were approved by Travelzoo's Board of Directors. Mr. Bartel did not exercise options in the second quarter of 2021. Total stock-based compensation of \$382,000 was recorded in general and administrative expenses for each of the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Total stock-based compensation of \$1.1 million and \$3.9 million was recorded in general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. As of September 30, 2021, there was approximately \$382,000 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense relating to the 2019 Option Agreement and applicable Option Agreement Amendment. This amount is expected to be recognized over the last three months of 2021.

In May 2018, pursuant to executed Option Agreements, the Company granted an employee options to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$14.70 and annual vesting beginning in May 2019. The options expire in May 2028. Total stock-based compensation of \$0 and \$34,000 was recorded in sales and marketing expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2020. Upon the departure of the employee in 2020, 25,000 unvested options were forfeited and 25,000 vested option were canceled.

In June 2018, pursuant to an executed Option Agreement, the Company granted an employee options to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$16.65 and annual vesting beginning June 2019. The options expire in June 2023. During the nine months ended September 30, 2020, 37,500 unvested options were forfeited and the compensation expense of \$43,000 was reversed from product development expense upon the employee's notification of departure.

In May 2019, pursuant to an executed Option Agreement, the Company granted an employee options to purchase 100,000 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$19.28, of which 10,000 options vested and became exercisable in May 2019, 15,000 options vested and became exercisable in September 2019, and the remaining 75,000 will vest in three equal installments beginning in May 2021 and ending in May 2024. The options expire in May 2024. Total stock-based compensation of \$44,000 was recorded in general and administrative expenses for the first quarter of 2020. Upon the departure of the employee in the second quarter of 2020, 75,000 unvested options were forfeited, 25,000 of vested option were canceled, and the compensation expense of \$107,000 was reversed from general and administrative expenses.

In September 2019, pursuant to executed Option Agreements, the Company granted six employees stock options to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock each (300,000 in the aggregate) with an exercise price of \$10.79, of which 75,000 options vest and become exercisable annually starting on September 5, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2023. The options expire in September 2024. On May 29, 2020, the shareholders of the Company approved the grants, as well as certain amendments to the Option Agreements, which increased and repriced all outstanding, unexercised options granted to such employees. Pursuant to the applicable amendments, the exercise price for the options was repriced to the official NASDAQ closing share price on March 30, 2020 (the date of execution of the amendments to the Option Agreements, which immediately followed the date of approval of the grants from the Board of Directors of the Company), which was \$3.49, the option grants were each increased to 100,000 each, resulting in 300,000 additional options in the aggregate. In 2020, 100,000 unvested options were forfeited upon an employee's departure, 75,000 options were exercised and 54,258 shares of common stock were issued as the result of a cashless exercise approved by Travelzoo's Board of Directors. During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, 75,000 unvested options were forfeited upon an employee's departure, 100,000 options were exercised and 54,110 shares of common stock were issued as the result of the cashless exercises. Total stock-based compensation related to these option grants of \$97,000 and \$362,000 was recorded in general and administrative expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. Total stock-based compensation related to these option grants of \$248,000 and \$523,000 was recorded in general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. As of September 30, 2021, there was approximately \$741,000 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense relating to these options. This amount is expected to be recognized over the next 1.9 years.

On May 29, 2020, pursuant to an executed Option Agreement, the shareholders of the Company approved the grant of stock options to purchase 800,000 shares of common stock to Mr. Ralph Bartel, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company, with an exercise price of \$3.49 and quarterly vesting beginning June 30, 2020 and ending on March 31, 2022. The options expire in March 2025. This grant was approved at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the shareholders. Total stock-based compensation related to these option grants of \$385,000 was recorded in general and administrative expenses for each of the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. Total stock-based compensation related to these option grants of \$1.2 million and \$771,000 was recorded in general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. As of September 30, 2021, there was approximately \$771,000 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense relating to these options. This amount is expected to be recognized over the next six months.

On May 29, 2020, pursuant to an executed Option Agreement, the shareholders of the Company approved the grant of stock options to purchase 200,000 shares of common stock to two key employees, with an exercise price of \$3.49 with annual vesting starting March 30, 2021 and ending on March 31, 2024. The options expire in March 2025. This amount is expected to be recognized over the next year. During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, 50,000 options were exercised and 24,474 shares of common stock were issued as the result of the cashless exercises. Total stock-based compensation related to these option grants of \$49,000 and \$59,000 was recorded in general and administrative expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. Total stock-based compensation related to these option grants of \$157,000 and \$79,000 was recorded in general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. As of September 30, 2021, there was approximately \$491,000 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense relating to these options. This amount is expected to be recognized over the next 2.5 years.

On June 1, 2021, pursuant to an executed Option Agreement, the shareholders of the Company approved the grant of stock options to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock to one employee, with an exercise price of \$9.44, with annual vesting starting January 1, 2022 and ending on January 1, 2025. The options expire in January 2026. Total stock-based compensation related to these option grants of \$62,000 and \$82,000 was recorded in general and administrative expenses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021. As of September 30, 2021, there was approximately \$492,000 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense relating to these options. This amount is expected to be recognized over the next 3.3 years.

#### **Note 8: Stock Repurchase Program**

The Company's stock repurchase programs assist in offsetting the impact of dilution from employee equity compensation and assist with capital allocation. Management is allowed discretion in the execution of the repurchase program based upon market conditions and consideration of capital allocation.

In May 2019, the Company announced a stock repurchase program authorizing the repurchase of up to 1,000,000 shares of the Company's outstanding common stock. The Company repurchased and retired 436,369 shares of common stock in 2019. During the first quarter of 2020, the Company repurchased 169,602 shares of common stock for an aggregate purchase price of \$1.2 million, which were retired and recorded as a reduction of additional paid-in capital until extinguished with the remaining amount reflected as a reduction of retained earnings. There were 395,029 shares remaining to be repurchased under this program as of September 30, 2021.

In March 2021, the Company entered into a Stock Repurchase Agreement with Mr. Holger Bartel to privately repurchase an aggregate of 100,000 shares of the Company's common stock for an aggregate purchase price of \$1.6 million, which were recorded as part of treasury stock as of September 30, 2021. This transaction was approved by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.

#### **Note 9: Segment Reporting and Significant Customer Information**

The Company determines its reportable segments based upon the Company's chief operating decision maker managing the performance of the business. Historically, the Company managed its business geographically and operated in three reportable segments including Asia Pacific, Europe and North America. During the nine months ended September 30, 2021, the Company classified the results of its Asia Pacific segment as discontinued operations in its condensed consolidated financial statements for current and prior periods presented. On January 13, 2020, Travelzoo agreed to the SPA with the Sellers of Jack's Flight Club to purchase 60% of the Shares. Upon acquisition, the Company's chief operating decision maker reviewed and evaluated Jack's Flight Club as a separate segment. The Company currently has three reportable operating segments: Travelzoo North America, Travelzoo Europe and Jack's Flight Club. Travelzoo North America consists of the Company's operations in Canada and the U.S. Travelzoo Europe consists of the Company's operations in France, Germany, Spain, and the U.K. Jack's Flight Club consists of subscription revenue from premium members to access and receive flight deals from Jack's Flight Club via email or via Android or Apple mobile applications.

Management relies on an internal management reporting process that provides revenue and segment operating profit (loss) for making financial decisions and allocating resources. Management believes that segment revenues and operating profit (loss) are appropriate measures of evaluating the operational performance of the Company's segments.



The following is a summary of operating results by business segment (in thousands):

<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2021</b>	<b>Travelzoo North America</b>	<b>Travelzoo Europe</b>	<b>Jack's Flight Club</b>	<b>Elimination</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
Revenues from unaffiliated customers	\$ 9,527	\$ 5,365	\$ 796	\$ —	\$ 15,688
Intersegment revenues (expenses)	136	(136)	—	—	—
<b>Total net revenues</b>	<b>9,663</b>	<b>5,229</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>15,688</b>
Operating profit (loss)	\$ (918)	\$ 600	\$ 57	\$ —	\$ (261)
<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2020</b>	<b>Travelzoo North America</b>	<b>Travelzoo Europe</b>	<b>Jack's Flight Club</b>	<b>Elimination</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
Revenues from unaffiliated customers	\$ 9,002	\$ 3,798	\$ 987	\$ —	\$ 13,787
Intersegment revenues (expenses)	141	(141)	—	—	—
<b>Total net revenues</b>	<b>9,143</b>	<b>3,657</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>13,787</b>
Operating profit (loss)	\$ (696)	\$ (757)	\$ 250	\$ —	\$ (1,203)
<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2021</b>	<b>Travelzoo North America</b>	<b>Travelzoo Europe</b>	<b>Jack's Flight Club</b>	<b>Elimination</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
Revenues from unaffiliated customers	\$ 33,005	\$ 13,503	\$ 2,543	\$ —	\$ 49,051
Intersegment revenues (expenses)	462	(462)	—	—	—
<b>Total net revenues</b>	<b>33,467</b>	<b>13,041</b>	<b>2,543</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>49,051</b>
Operating profit (loss)	\$ 2,654	\$ (323)	\$ 117	\$ —	\$ 2,448
<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2020</b>	<b>Travelzoo North America</b>	<b>Travelzoo Europe</b>	<b>Jack's Flight Club</b>	<b>Elimination</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
Revenues from unaffiliated customers	\$ 25,805	\$ 12,706	\$ 2,615	\$ (8)	\$ 41,118
Intersegment revenues (expenses)	237	(245)	—	8	—
<b>Total net revenues</b>	<b>26,042</b>	<b>12,461</b>	<b>2,615</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>41,118</b>
Operating loss	\$ (6,374)	\$ (3,781)	\$ (3,013)	\$ (8)	\$ (13,176)

Property and equipment are attributed to the geographic region in which the assets are located. Revenues from unaffiliated customers excludes intersegment revenues and represents revenue with parties unaffiliated with the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries.

The following is a summary of assets by business segment (in thousands):

<b>As of September 30, 2021</b>	<b>Travelzoo North America</b>	<b>Travelzoo Europe</b>	<b>Jack's Flight Club</b>	<b>Elimination</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
Long-lived assets	\$ 685	\$ 109	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 794
Total assets excluding discontinued operations	\$ 140,116	\$ 34,754	\$ 6,468	\$ (64,531)	\$ 116,807
<b>As of December 31, 2020</b>	<b>Travelzoo North America</b>	<b>Travelzoo Europe</b>	<b>Jack's Flight Club</b>	<b>Elimination</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
Long-lived assets	\$ 1,123	\$ 224	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 1,347
Total assets excluding discontinued operations	\$ 138,020	\$ 31,659	\$ 5,796	\$ (73,305)	\$ 102,170

For the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, the Company did not have any customers that accounted for 10% or more of revenue. As of September 30, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the Company did not have any customers that accounted for 10% or more of accounts receivable.

The following table sets forth the breakdown of revenues (in thousands) by category and segment. Travel revenue includes travel publications (*Top 20*, *Travelzoo* website, *Newsflash*, *Travelzoo Network*), *Getaways* vouchers, hotel platform and vacation packages. Local revenue includes *Local Deals* vouchers and entertainment offers (vouchers and direct bookings).

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
<b>Travelzoo North America</b>				
Travel	\$ 9,078	\$ 8,706	\$ 31,141	\$ 23,772
Local	585	437	2,326	2,270
<b>Total Travelzoo North America revenues</b>	<b>9,663</b>	<b>9,143</b>	<b>33,467</b>	<b>26,042</b>
<b>Travelzoo Europe</b>				
Travel	4,772	3,449	11,796	11,442
Local	457	208	1,245	1,019
<b>Total Travelzoo Europe revenues</b>	<b>5,229</b>	<b>3,657</b>	<b>13,041</b>	<b>12,461</b>
<b>Jack's Flight Club</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>2,543</b>	<b>2,615</b>
<b>Consolidated</b>				
Travelzoo Travel	13,850	12,155	42,937	35,214
Travelzoo Local	1,042	645	3,571	3,289
Jack's Flight Club	796	987	2,543	2,615
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>\$ 15,688</b>	<b>\$ 13,787</b>	<b>\$ 49,051</b>	<b>\$ 41,118</b>

Revenue by geography is based on the billing address of the advertiser. Long-lived assets attributed to the U.S. and international geographies are based upon the country in which the asset is located or owned. The following table sets forth revenue for countries that exceed 10% of total revenue (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
<b>Revenue</b>				
United States	\$ 8,607	\$ 8,345	\$ 31,042	\$ 23,753
United Kingdom	4,218	3,095	9,325	10,189
Germany	1,390	1,386	4,287	4,148
Rest of the world	1,473	961	4,397	3,028
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>\$ 15,688</b>	<b>\$ 13,787</b>	<b>\$ 49,051</b>	<b>\$ 41,118</b>

The following table sets forth property and equipment by geographic area (in thousands):

	September 30,	December 31,
	2021	2020
United States	\$ 522	\$ 912
Rest of the world	272	435
<b>Total long-lived assets</b>	<b>\$ 794</b>	<b>\$ 1,347</b>

#### Note 10: Discontinued Operations

On March 10, 2020, Travelzoo issued a press release announcing that it will exit its loss-making business in Asia Pacific. The decision supports the Company's strategy to focus on value creation for shareholders by focusing on growing the businesses in North America and Europe.

The Asia Pacific business ceased operations as of March 31, 2020, except for the Company's Japan and Singapore units, which were held for sale. The Company has classified Asia Pacific as discontinued operations at March 31, 2020. Prior periods have been reclassified to conform with the current presentation. The following table provides a summary of amounts included in discontinued operations for the three and six months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Revenues	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 970
Cost of revenues	—	—	—	6
Gross profit	—	—	—	964
Operating expenses:				
Sales and marketing	—	—	—	1,712
Product development	—	—	—	—
General and administrative	17	69	29	3,413
Total operating expenses	17	69	29	5,125
Loss from operations	(17)	(69)	(29)	(4,161)
Other income (loss), net	(2)	(161)	24	217
Income (loss) before income taxes	(19)	(230)	(5)	(3,944)
Income tax expense	—	—	—	—
Net income (loss)	\$ (19)	\$ (230)	\$ (5)	\$ (3,944)

The Company recorded severance and disposal costs of \$1.6 million during the first quarter of fiscal year 2020 for the shut down and such costs were classified in "general and administrative" in the table above. Certain reclassifications have been made for current and prior periods between the continued operations and the discontinued operations in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Those reclassifications included direct operating expenses and certain inter-company charges that will not continue. \$64,000 of cost of revenues were reclassified from the discontinued operations to continued operations and \$7,000 of cost of revenues were reclassified from the continued operations to discontinued operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2020.

On June 16, 2020, in connection with its Asia Pacific exit plan, the Company completed a sale of 100% of the outstanding capital stock of Travelzoo Japan K.K. ("Travelzoo Japan") to Mr. Hajime Suzuki, the former General Manager of Japan of the Company (the "Japan Buyer") for consideration of 1 Japanese Yen. The Company recognized a pre-tax loss of \$128,000. The parties also entered into a License Agreement, whereby Travelzoo Japan obtained a license to use the intellectual property of Travelzoo exclusively in Japan and South Korea in exchange for quarterly royalty payments based on revenue over a 5-year term, with an option to renew. However, Travelzoo Japan is only obligated to pay Travelzoo if Travelzoo Japan has a positive EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) adjusted pro forma before royalty expenses, according to Travelzoo Japan's income statement. Travelzoo was not able to estimate whether Travelzoo Japan will generate positive EBITDA based on the uncertainties, and no amount has been recorded for future royalties under this agreement. Licensing revenue is booked with a lag of one quarter. The Company did not record royalties from Travelzoo Japan for 2020. The Company records royalties for its licensing arrangements on a one-quarter lag basis. The Company recognized royalties of \$0 and 9,000 from Travelzoo Japan for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021. An interest free loan was provided to the Japan Buyer for JPY 46.0 million (approximately \$430,000) to be repaid over 3 years.

On August 24, 2020, the Company completed a sale of 100% of the outstanding capital stock of Travelzoo (Singapore) Pty Ltd ("Travelzoo Singapore"), to an unaffiliated entity, Finest Hotels Pty Ltd d/b/a Travelzoo ("AUS Buyer"), which is fully owned by Mr. Julian Rembrandt, the former General Manager of Southeast Asia and Australia of the Company for consideration of 1 Singapore Dollar. The parties also entered into a License Agreement, whereby the AUS Buyer obtained a license to use the intellectual property of Travelzoo exclusively in Australia, New Zealand and Singapore and non-exclusively in China and Hong Kong for quarterly royalty payments based upon revenue over a 5 year term, with an option to renew.

Travelzoo was not able to estimate whether the AUS Buyer will generate revenues based on the current uncertainties, and no amount has been recorded for future royalties under this agreement. Licensing revenue is booked with a lag of one quarter. The Company recognized royalties of \$2,000 from Travelzoo Singapore for 2020 or for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021.

The following table presents information related to the major classes of assets and liabilities that were classified as assets and liabilities from discontinued operations in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands):

	September 30, 2021	December 31, 2020
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$ 43	\$ 146
Accounts receivable, net	—	69
Prepaid expenses and other	20	15
<b>Total assets from discontinued operations</b>	<b>\$ 63</b>	<b>\$ 230</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 457	\$ 611
Accrued expenses and other	—	48
Deferred revenue	12	12
<b>Total liabilities from discontinued operations</b>	<b>\$ 469</b>	<b>\$ 671</b>

The net cash used in operating activities for the discontinued operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, were as follows (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ 10	\$ (1,821)

#### Note 11: Leases

The Company has operating leases for real estate and certain equipment. The Company leases office space in Canada, France, Germany, Spain, the U.K., and the U.S. under operating leases. Our leases have remaining lease terms ranging from less than one year up to nine years. Certain leases include one or more options to renew. In addition, we sublease real estate to a third party. All of our leases qualify as operating leases.

The following table summarizes the components of lease expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Operating lease cost	\$ 735	\$ 1,011	\$ 2,537	\$ 3,423
Short-term lease cost	—	6	12	19
Variable lease cost	207	227	754	779
Sublease income	(84)	(84)	(252)	(252)
<b>Total lease cost</b>	<b>\$ 858</b>	<b>\$ 1,160</b>	<b>\$ 3,051</b>	<b>\$ 3,969</b>

For the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, cash payments against the operating lease liabilities totaled \$3.3 million and \$3.1 million, respectively. ROU assets obtained in exchange for lease obligations was \$1.8 million and \$3.2 million for nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

The following table summarizes the presentation in our condensed consolidated balance sheets of our operating leases (in thousands):

	September 30, 2021	December 31, 2020
<b>Assets:</b>		
Operating lease right-of-use assets	\$ 8,005	\$ 8,541
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Operating lease liabilities	\$ 3,482	\$ 3,587
Long-term operating lease liabilities	9,721	10,774
Total operating lease liabilities	\$ 13,203	\$ 14,361
Weighted average remaining lease term (years)	6.68	7.28
Weighted average discount rate	3.4 %	3.6 %

Maturities of lease liabilities were as follows (in thousands):

Years ending December 31,	
2021 (excluding the nine months ended September 30, 2021)	\$ 1,015
2022	3,203
2023	2,125
2024	1,426
2025	1,350
Thereafter	5,625
Total lease payments	14,744
Less interest	(1,541)
Present value of operating lease liabilities	\$ 13,203

#### Note 12: Debt

Pursuant to the SPA with Jack's Flight Club on January 13, 2020, the Company issued a Promissory Note for \$11.0 million as part of the purchase price with an interest rate of 1.6% and a due date of January 31, 2020. On June 3, 2020, the parties reached a negotiated settlement: (a) \$1.5 million was forgiven in settlement of certain outstanding indemnification claims disputed by the Sellers; (b) \$6.8 million, plus accrued interest, was paid to the Sellers by Travelzoo, and (c) the remaining \$1.7 million to be paid by June 2021 pursuant to new promissory notes with each of the Sellers that contain a 12% interest rate \$6.8 million and the accrued interest was paid in the second quarter of 2020, the remaining \$1.7 million promissory note and the accrued interest was paid in the fourth quarter of 2020. Total interest expense for the Promissory Notes of \$142,000 was paid and recorded in Other income (loss), net in 2020.

On April 24, 2020 and May 5, 2020, the Company received \$3.1 million and \$535,000, respectively, pursuant to loans under the Paycheck Protection Program (the "PPP") of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") administered by the Small Business Association. The loans have a maturity of two (2) years from the disbursement of the funds and an annual interest rate of 1%. The Company used the funds from these loans only for the purposes included in the PPP, including payroll, employee benefits, and rent, and also intends to apply for forgiveness of a portion of the loans in compliance with the CARES Act. Interest expense of \$25,000 for the PPP notes payable in 2020 was recorded in Other income (loss), net.

In the second quarter of 2021, the Company settled the \$535,000 PPP loan, \$429,000 was forgiven which was recorded as gain in "Other income (loss), net", the remaining outstanding balance of the loan and interest of \$111,000 was paid off. On July 1, 2021, the principal and the interest of the \$3.1 million PPP loan were forgiven and a gain was recorded in "Other income (loss), net", in the three months ended September 30, 2021. It is possible that the SBA could subsequently audit the forgiven loans. The Company believes it was eligible to participate in PPP, calculated the loan amount correctly, spent loan proceeds on allowable uses and is entitled to loan forgiveness. The Company will hold onto its financial documents relating to the PPP loans for six years as required.

## **Note 13: Related Party Transactions**

### **License Agreement with Azzurro Brands Inc.**

On March 12, 2021, the Company, with the approval of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, entered into a License Agreement (the "License Agreement") with Azzurro Brands Inc., a New York corporation ("Azzurro Brands") that is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Azzurro Capital Inc., the Company's largest shareholder. Pursuant to the terms of the License Agreement, the Company was granted the exclusive right and license to use a database of 2.2 million non-duplicated subscribers that Azzurro Brands purchased from a competitor of Travelzoo. The License Agreement requires that the Company pay a license fee of \$413,000 per quarter with an initial payment of \$894,000 due upon execution, which covers the period from execution until September 30, 2021. The payment of \$894,000 was made in the first quarter of 2021 and recorded in sales and marketing expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2021. The second payment of \$701,000 was made in the second quarter of 2021 which covers the period from October 2021 through March 2022 and recorded in prepaid expenses and other as of September 30, 2021. The License Agreement has a term of one (1) year with an automatic renewal, terminable by either party with sixty (60) days' written notice before the end of the term. The License Agreement contains customary representations and warranties.

### **Stock Repurchase Agreement**

Travelzoo, from time to time, engages in share repurchases, and on March 27, 2021, the Company entered into a Stock Repurchase Agreement (the "SRA") with Holger Bartel, the Company's Global Chief Executive Officer, to repurchase an aggregate of 100,000 shares of the Company's common stock at a price of \$15.83 per share. The SRA provides that the purchase price is based on the 10-day volume weighted average price calculated using the VWAP function on Bloomberg, from the dates of March 15, 2021 through and including March 26, 2021, less a 5% discount. The aggregate purchase price of \$1.6 million was paid on the first business day following the execution of the SRA.

Prior to the execution of the SRA and because Mr. Bartel is an executive officer of the Company, the Company's Board of Directors and Audit Committee of the Board of Directors delegated to its Compensation Committee, which consists of independent and disinterested directors, the exclusive power and authority to determine whether any potential transaction to acquire shares from Mr. Bartel was advisable, fair to and in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders, other than Mr. Bartel. In connection with its determination, the Compensation Committee engaged independent legal counsel and an independent financial advisor and unanimously approved the SRA. The SRA contains customary terms for transactions of this type, including, but not limited to, representations and warranties made by the Company and Mr. Bartel.

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

The information in this report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Such statements are based upon current expectations, assumptions, estimates and projections about Travelzoo and our industry. These forward-looking statements are subject to the many risks and uncertainties that exist in our operations and business environment that may cause actual results, performance or achievements of Travelzoo to be different from those expected or anticipated in the forward-looking statements. Any statements contained herein that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. For example, words such as “may”, “will”, “should”, “estimates”, “predicts”, “potential”, “continue”, “strategy”, “believes”, “anticipates”, “plans”, “expects”, “intends”, and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Travelzoo’s actual results and the timing of certain events could differ significantly from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause or contribute to such a discrepancy include, but are not limited to, those discussed elsewhere in this report in the section entitled “Risk Factors” and the risks discussed in our other SEC filings. The forward-looking statements included in this report reflect the beliefs of our management on the date of this report. Travelzoo undertakes no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason, even if new information becomes available or other circumstances occur in the future.

### Overview

Travelzoo® is a global Internet media company. We provide our 30 million members insider deals and one-of-a-kind experiences personally reviewed by one of our deal experts around the globe. We have our finger on the pulse of outstanding travel, entertainment, and lifestyle experiences. For over 20 years we have worked in partnership with more than 5,000 top travel suppliers—our long-standing relationships give Travelzoo members access to irresistible deals.

Our publications and products include the *Travelzoo* website, the *Travelzoo* iPhone and Android apps, the *Travelzoo Top 20*® email newsletter, the *Newsflash* email alert service, and the *Travelzoo Network*, a network of third-party websites that list travel deals published by Travelzoo. Our *Travelzoo* website includes *Local Deals* and *Getaways* listings that allow our members to purchase vouchers for deals from local businesses such as spas, hotels and restaurants.

In April 2018, we entered into an agreement with WeekenGO (“WeGo”), a start-up company in Germany. WeGo uses new technology to promote vacation packages. We originally invested \$3.0 million in WeGo for a 25% ownership interest in April 2018. In April 2019, the Company invested an additional \$673,000 in WeGo and increased the Company’s ownership interest to 26.6%. On February 11, 2020, Travelzoo signed an amended investment agreement with WeGo and agreed to invest an additional \$1.7 million to increase the Company’s ownership interest to 33.7% if WeGo meets certain performance targets. In connection with the Original Investment Agreement, WeGo agreed to spend approximately \$2.1 million with the Company in marketing pursuant to an Insertion Order (the “Insertion Order”) and in connection with the Investment Agreement, WeGo agreed to spend an additional \$1.8 million in marketing, once the additional payment was made by the Company (the “Second Insertion Order”). In December 2020, the Company sold all of its shares in WeGo to trivago for a total purchase price of approximately \$2.9 million, of which \$213,000 was placed in escrow for one year. As of the date of the transaction with trivago, WeGo had not achieved the necessary performance targets. WeGo also agreed to pay in a lump sum the remaining amount outstanding pursuant to the Insertion Order, equal to approximately \$200,000. The Company acquired the domain name and trademark “weekend.com” in 2005 and amortized this asset over five years. In December 2020, the Company sold the domain name and trademark “weekend.com” to trivago in exchange for a payment of \$822,000. See “Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies” to the accompanying consolidated financial statements for further information.

In January 2020, Travelzoo acquired Jack’s Flight Club, which operates *Jack’s Flight Club*, a subscription service that provides members with information about exceptional airfares. As of September 30, 2021, Jack’s Flight Club had 1.7 million subscribers. Jack’s Flight Club’s revenues are generated by subscription fees paid by members. In June 2020, the Company renegotiated certain aspects of that certain SPA with the Sellers and reached a settlement for the outstanding Promissory Notes, dated as of January 13, 2020, by and between Travelzoo and each Seller (the “Promissory Notes”). See “Note 3: Acquisition” to the accompanying consolidated financial statements for further information.

Historically, the Company managed its business geographically and operated in three reportable segments including Asia Pacific, Europe and North America. In the first quarter of 2020, the Company classified the results of its Asia Pacific segment as discontinued operations in its consolidated financial statements for current and prior periods presented. On January 13, 2020, Travelzoo entered into a Sales Purchase Agreement with the Sellers of Jack's Flight Club to purchase 60% of the Shares. Upon the acquisition, the Company's chief operating decision maker reviewed and evaluated Jack's Flight Club as a separate segment. Travelzoo currently has three reportable operating segments: Travelzoo North America, Travelzoo Europe and Jack's Flight Club. Travelzoo North America consists of the Company's operations in Canada and the U.S. Travelzoo Europe consists of the Company's operations in France, Germany, Spain, and the UK.

When evaluating the financial condition and operating performance of the Company, management focuses on financial and non-financial indicators such as growth in the number of members to the Company's newsletters, operating margin, growth in revenues in the absolute and relative to the growth in reach of the Company's publications measured as revenue per member and revenue per employee as a measure of productivity.

## **How We Generate Revenues**

### ***Travelzoo***

Revenues from the Travelzoo brand and business are generated primarily from advertising fees from two categories of revenue: Travel and Local.

The "Travel" category consists of advertising or publishing revenues, primarily (a) listing fees paid by travel companies for the publishing of their offers on Travelzoo's media properties and (b) commission from the sale of Getaways vouchers. Listing fees are based on audience reach, placement, number of listings, number of impressions, number of clicks, and actual sales. For publishing revenue, we recognize revenue upon delivery of the emails and delivery of the clicks, over the period of the placement of the advertising. Insertion orders for publishing revenue are typically for periods between one month and twelve months and are not automatically renewed. For Getaways vouchers, we recognize a percentage of the face value of the vouchers upon the sale of the vouchers. Merchant agreements for Getaways advertisers are typically for periods between twelve months and twenty-four months and are not automatically renewed. Since the second quarter of 2020, the Company expanded its vouchers refund policy in order to entice customers given the current economic climate to fully refundable until the voucher expires or is redeemed by the customer. The Company now offers full refunds for vouchers that have not been redeemed or expired. The expiration dates of vouchers range between October 2021 through December 2023. The Company estimated the refund reserve by using historical and current refund rates by product and by merchant location to calculate the estimated future refunds. As of September 30, 2021, the Company had approximately \$18.3 million of unredeemed vouchers that had been sold during 2020 representing the Company's commission earned from the sale. The Company had estimated a refund liability of \$3.1 million for these unredeemed vouchers as of September 30, 2021 which is recorded as a reduction of revenues and is reflected as a current liability in Accrued expenses and other on the consolidated balance sheet. The Company has recorded Merchant Payables of \$73.2 million as of September 30, 2021 related to unredeemed vouchers. Certain merchant contracts allow the Company to retain the proceeds from unredeemed vouchers. With these contracts, the Company estimates the value of vouchers that will ultimately not be redeemed and records the estimate as revenues in the same period.

The "Local" category consists of publishing revenue for negotiated high-quality deals from local businesses, such as restaurants, spas, shows, and other activities and includes *Local Deals* vouchers and entertainment offers (vouchers and direct bookings). The revenues generated from these products are based upon a percentage of the face value of the vouchers, commission on actual sales or a listing fee based on audience reach. We recognize revenue upon the sale of the vouchers, upon notification of the amount of direct bookings or upon delivery of the emails. For *Local Deals* vouchers, we recognize a percentage of the face value of vouchers upon the sale of the vouchers. Insertion orders and merchant agreements for Local are typically for periods between one month and twelve months and are not automatically renewed. Certain merchant contracts in foreign locations allow us to retain fees related to vouchers sold that are not redeemed by purchasers upon expiration, which we recognize as revenue based upon estimates at the time of sale.

### ***Jack's Flight Club***

Jack's Flight Club revenue is generated from paid subscriptions by members. Subscription options are quarterly, semi-annually, and annually. We recognize the revenue monthly pro rata over the subscription period.



## Trends in Our Business

Our ability to generate revenues in the future depends on numerous factors such as our ability to sell more advertising to existing and new advertisers, our ability to increase our audience reach and advertising rates, our ability to have sufficient supply of hotels offered at competitive rates, our ability to develop and launch new products and our ability to continue to service our members without interruption. Our ability to generate revenues is also dependent on trends impacting the travel industry and online advertising businesses more broadly.

Our current revenue model primarily depends on advertising fees paid primarily by travel, entertainment and local businesses. A number of factors can influence whether current and new advertisers decide to advertise their offers with us. We have been impacted and expect to continue to be impacted by external factors such as the shift from offline to online advertising, the relative condition of the economy, competition and the introduction of new methods of advertising, and the decline in consumer demand for vouchers and travel more generally. A number of factors will have impact on our revenue, such as the reduction in spending by travel intermediaries due to their focus on improving profitability, the trend towards mobile usage by consumers, the willingness of consumers to purchase the deals we advertise, and the willingness of certain competitors to grow their business unprofitably. In addition, we have been impacted and expect to continue to be impacted by internal factors such as introduction of new technologies and advertising products, hiring and relying on key employees for the continued maintenance and growth of our business and ensuring our advertising products continue to attract the audience that advertisers desire. We also have been impacted and expect to continue to be impacted by external factors, such as the global pandemic, which decrease the demand for travel and entertainment and increasing cybersecurity risks due to increased dependence on digital technologies. We also could be indirectly impacted by climate change and related legislation to the extent such legislation impacts the businesses of our advertisers such as airlines and cruise ship operators, which have come under increasing scrutiny for their carbon footprints.

Additionally, existing advertisers may shift from one advertising service (e.g. *Top 20*) to another (e.g. *Local Deals* and *Getaways*). These shifts between advertising services by advertisers could result in no incremental revenue or less revenue than in previous periods depending on the amount purchased by the advertisers, and in particular with *Local Deals* and *Getaways*, depending on how many vouchers are purchased by members.

Local revenues have been and may continue to decline over time due to market conditions driven by competition and declines in consumer demand. In the last several years, we have seen a decline in the number of vouchers sold and a decrease in the average take rate earned by us from the merchants for voucher sold. However, due to the global pandemic and the increase in demand by consumers for fully refundable travel options, we have now begun to see a slight reversal of this trend and an increase in the sale of *Getaways* hotel vouchers. Demand for restaurants and spas continues to be low due to the global pandemic.

Our ability to continue to generate advertising revenue depends heavily upon our ability to maintain and grow an attractive audience for our publications. We monitor our members to assess our efforts to maintain and grow our audience reach. We obtain additional members and activity on our websites by acquiring traffic from Internet search companies. The costs to grow our audience have had, and we expect will continue to have, a significant impact on our financial results and can vary from period to period. We may have to increase our expenditures on acquiring traffic to continue to grow or maintain our reach of our publications due to competition. We continue to see a shift in the audience to accessing our services through mobile devices and social media. When funds are available for marketing spend, we are addressing this growing channel of our audience through increased marketing on social media channels. However, we will need to keep pace with technological change and this trend to further address this shift in the audience behavior in order to offset any related declines in revenue.

We believe that we can increase our advertising rates only if the reach of our publications increases. We do not know if we will be able to increase the reach of our publications. If we are able to increase the reach of our publications, we still may not be able to or want to increase rates given market conditions such as intense competition in our industry. We have not had any significant rate increase in recent years due to intense competition in our industry. Even if we increase our rates, the increased price may reduce the number of advertisers willing to advertise with us and, therefore, decrease our revenue. We may need to decrease our rates based on competitive market conditions and the performance of our audience in order to maintain or grow our revenue.

We do not know what our cost of revenues as a percentage of revenues will be in future periods. Our cost of revenues may increase if the face value of vouchers that we sell for *Local Deals* and *Getaways* increases or the total number of vouchers sold increases because we have credit card fees based upon face value of vouchers sold, due to customer service costs related to vouchers sold and due to refunds to members on vouchers sold. We expect fluctuations in cost of revenues as a percentage of revenues from quarter to quarter. Some of the fluctuations may be significant and may have a material impact on our results of operations.

We do not know what our sales and marketing expenses as a percentage of revenue will be in future periods. Increased competition in our industry may require us to increase advertising for our brand and for our products. In order to increase the reach of our publications, we have to acquire a significant number of new members in every quarter and continue to promote our brand. One significant factor that impacts our advertising expenses is the average cost per acquisition of a new member. Increases in the average cost of acquiring new members may result in an increase of sales and marketing expenses as a percentage of revenue. We believe that the average cost per acquisition depends mainly on the advertising rates which we pay for media buys, our ability to manage our member acquisition efforts successfully, the regions we choose to acquire new members and the relative costs for that region, and the degree of competition in our industry. We may decide to accelerate our member acquisition, including through merger and acquisition activity, for various strategic and tactical reasons and, as a result, increase our marketing and other expenses. We expect the average cost per acquisition to increase with our increased expectations for the quality of the members we acquire. We may see an unique opportunity for a brand marketing campaign that will result in an increase of marketing expenses. In addition, there may be a significant number of members that cancel or we may cancel their subscription for various reasons, which may drive us to spend more on member acquisition in order to replace the lost members. We expect fluctuations in sales and marketing expenses as a percentage of revenue from year to year and from quarter to quarter. Some of the fluctuations may be significant and have a material impact on our results of operations. We expect increased marketing expense to spur continued growth in members and revenue in future periods; however, we cannot be assured of this due to the many factors that impact our growth in members and revenue. We expect to adjust the level of such incremental spending during any given quarter based upon market conditions, as well as our performance in each quarter.

We do not know what our product development expenses as a percentage of revenue will be in future periods. There may be fluctuations that have a material impact on our results of operations. Product development changes may lead to reductions of revenue based on changes in presentation of our offerings to our audience. We expect our efforts on developing our product and services will continue to be a focus in the future, which may lead to increased product development expenses. This increase in expense may be the result of an increase in costs related to third party technology service providers and software licenses, headcount, the compensation related to existing headcount and the increased use of professional services.

We do not know what our general and administrative expenses as a percentage of revenue will be in future periods. There may be fluctuations that have a material impact on our results of operations.

We do not know what our income taxes will be in future periods. There may be fluctuations that have a material impact on our results of operations. Our income taxes are dependent on numerous factors such as the geographic mix of our taxable income, foreign, federal, state and local tax law and regulations and changes thereto. Our income taxes are also dependent on the determination of whether valuation allowances for certain tax assets are required or not, audits of prior years' tax returns that result in adjustments, resolution of uncertain tax positions and different treatments for certain items for tax versus books. We expect fluctuations in our income taxes from year to year and from quarter to quarter. Some of the fluctuations may be significant and have a material impact on our results of operations.

With the impact to revenues caused by the global pandemic, spending by the Company in many areas within the business has been slowed or stopped, including but not limited to, marketing, technology and human resources. For example, in 2020, the Company ceased operations in Asia Pacific, conducted employee furloughs and restructured its employees significantly. The Company also renegotiated many of its outstanding contractual obligations with vendors and closed some ancillary office locations in order to reduce capital expenditures. We do not anticipate that any additional cost-cutting measures will be necessary at this time, but the Board and management of the Company are continually evaluating.

While the Company has already implemented a policy governing employees returning to the office voluntarily (in jurisdictions where they are permitted to do so), which includes health, safety and cleaning protocols, the Board and management are continually evaluating the best timeframe for employees' official return to the offices, including implementing a phased return and ongoing remote working arrangements, and will determine when an official return will be safe for employees based on government regulations and guidance in the applicable jurisdictions.

The Company's PPP loans were forgiven as of September 30, 2021. The Company does not have any outstanding debt and does not anticipate needing to enter into any debt arrangements or raise any capital, publicly or privately, to support its operations and liquidity in the ordinary course of business.

The key elements of our growth strategy include building a travel and lifestyle brand with a large, high-quality user base and offering our users products that keep pace with consumer preference and technology, such as the trend toward mobile usage by consumers and toward fully refundable travel deals given the uncertainty of the global pandemic. We expect to continue our efforts to grow; however, we may not grow or we may experience slower growth.

We believe that we can sell more advertising if the market for online advertising continues to grow and if we can maintain or increase our market share. We believe that the market for advertising continues to shift from offline to online. We do not know if we will be able to maintain or increase our market share. We do not know if we will be able to increase the number of our advertisers in the future. We do not know if we will have market acceptance of our new products or whether the market will continue to accept our existing products.

## Results of Operations

The following table sets forth, as a percentage of total revenues, the results from our operations for the periods indicated.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
Revenues	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
Cost of revenues	19.1	21.2	17.4	18.9
Gross profit	80.9	78.8	82.6	81.1
Operating expenses:				
Sales and marketing	49.1	50.2	44.5	59.1
Product development	4.4	4.3	4.2	6.3
General and administrative	29.1	33.0	28.9	40.6
Impairment of intangible assets and goodwill	—	—	—	7.1
Total operating expenses	82.6	87.5	77.6	113.1
Operating income (loss)	(1.7)	(8.7)	5.0	(32.0)
Other income (loss), net	21.3	(0.3)	7.9	(0.5)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	19.6	(9.0)	12.9	(32.5)
Income tax expense (benefit)	1.5	(1.8)	4.3	(5.0)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	18.1	(7.2)	8.6	(27.5)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	(0.1)	(1.7)	—	(9.6)
Net income (loss)	18.0	(8.9)	8.6	(37.1)
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	—	0.9	—	(2.7)
Net income (loss) attributable to Travelzoo	18.0 %	(9.8)%	8.6 %	(34.4)%

## Operating Metrics

The following table sets forth, as a percentage of total revenues, the results from our operations for the periods indicated.

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30,	
	2021	2020
<b>North America</b>		
Total members (1)	17,241,000	16,480,000
Average cost per acquisition of a new member	\$ 4.81	N/A
Revenue per member (2)	\$ 2.74	\$ 1.16
Revenue per employee (3)	\$ 395,000	\$ 169,000
Mobile application downloads	3,902,000	3,771,000
Social media followers	3,251,000	3,267,000
<b>Europe</b>		
Total members (1)	8,437,000	8,865,000
Average cost per acquisition of a new member	\$ 2.36	N/A
Revenue per member (2)	\$ 1.99	\$ 1.25
Revenue per employee (3)	\$ 174,000	\$ 120,000
Mobile application downloads	2,188,000	2,134,000
Social media followers	899,000	900,000
<b>Jack's Flight Club</b>		
Total members	1,706,000	1,691,000
<b>Consolidated</b>		
Total members (1)	30,690,000	30,518,000
Average cost per acquisition of a new member	\$ 3.81	N/A
Revenue per member (2)	\$ 2.48	\$ 1.05
Revenue per employee (3)	\$ 292,000	\$ 147,000
Mobile application downloads	6,942,000	6,748,000
Social media followers	4,150,000	4,167,000

- (1) Members represent individuals who are signed up to receive one or more of our free email publications that present our travel, entertainment and local deals.
- (2) Annualized revenue divided by number of members at the beginning of the year.
- (3) Annualized revenue divided by number of employees at the end of the quarter.

## Revenues

The following table sets forth the breakdown of revenues (in thousands) by category and segment. Travel revenue includes travel publications (*Top 20*, *Travelzoo* website, *Newsflash*, *Travelzoo Network*), *Getaways* vouchers, and hotel platform and vacation packages. Local revenue includes *Local Deals* vouchers and entertainment offers (vouchers and direct bookings).

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
<b>Travelzoo North America</b>				
Travel	\$ 9,078	\$ 8,706	\$ 31,141	\$ 23,772
Local	585	437	2,326	2,270
Total Travelzoo North America revenues	9,663	9,143	33,467	26,042
<b>Travelzoo Europe</b>				
Travel	4,772	3,449	11,796	11,442
Local	457	208	1,245	1,019
Total Travelzoo Europe revenues	5,229	3,657	13,041	12,461
Jack's Flight Club	796	987	2,543	2,615
Consolidated				
Travelzoo Travel	13,850	12,155	42,937	35,214
Travelzoo Local	1,042	645	3,571	3,289
Jack's Flight Club	796	987	2,543	2,615
Total revenues	\$ 15,688	\$ 13,787	\$ 49,051	\$ 41,118

### Travelzoo North America

North America revenues increased \$520,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020. This increase was primarily due to \$372,000 increase in Travel revenues and \$148,000 increase in Local revenues. We have seen improvement in our business and a trend of revenue recovery compared to the global pandemic time in 2020. The increase in Travel revenue of \$372,000 was primarily due to \$3.5 million increase as a result of higher revenues from *Top 20* and *Newsflash* and \$354,000 increase in hotel commission, offset partially by \$3.6 million decrease in *Getaways* vouchers due to decrease in number of vouchers sold. The increase in Local revenues of \$148,000 was primarily due to the increase in number of *Local Deals* vouchers sold.

North America revenues increased \$7.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from the nine months ended September 30, 2020. This increase was primarily due to \$7.4 million increase in Travel revenues and \$56,000 increase in Local revenues. The increase in Travel revenue of \$7.4 million was primarily due to \$3.6 million increase as a result of higher revenues from *Top 20* and *Newsflash*, \$2.9 million increase in *Getaways* vouchers due to increase in number of vouchers sold, and \$1.0 million increase in hotel commission. The increase in Local revenues of \$56,000 was primarily due to the increase in number of *Local Deals* vouchers sold.

### Travelzoo Europe

Europe revenues increased \$1.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020. The increase was primarily due to \$1.2 million increase in Travel revenues, \$219,000 increase in Local revenues and \$202,000 positive impact from foreign currency movements relative to the U.S. dollar. The increase in Travel revenue of \$1.2 million was primarily due to \$639,000 increase in *Getaways* vouchers due to increase in number of vouchers sold and \$566,000 increase as a result of higher revenues from *Top 20* and *Newsflash*. The increase in Local revenues of \$219,000 was primarily due to the increase in number of *Local Deals* vouchers sold.

Europe revenues increased \$580,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The increase was primarily due to \$117,000 increase in Local revenues and \$904,000 positive impact from foreign currency movements relative to the U.S. dollar, offset partially by \$441,000 decrease in Travel revenues. The decrease in Travel revenue of \$441,000 was primarily due to decrease as a result of lower revenues from *Top 20* and *Newsflash*. The increase in Local revenues of \$117,000 was primarily due to the increase in number of *Local Deals* vouchers sold.

### *Jack's Flight Club*

Travelzoo acquired 60% of the Shares of Jack's Flight Club on January 13, 2020. Jack's Flight Club's premium members pay subscription fees quarterly, semi-annually or annually to receive emails or app notifications of flight deals.

Jack's Flight Club's revenue decreased by \$191,000 for three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020 due to the decrease of premium members.

Jack's Flight Club's revenue was \$2.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and was \$2.6 million for the period between January 13, 2020 through September 30, 2020. The revenue for 2020 was negatively impacted by approximately \$824,000 from January 13, 2020 through September 30, 2020 due to the acquisition revenue adjustment related to the deferred revenue sold prior to acquisition.

### **Cost of Revenues**

Cost of revenues consists primarily of network expenses, including fees we pay for co-location services and depreciation and maintenance of network equipment, payments made to third-party partners of the *Travelzoo Network*, amortization of capitalized website development costs, credit card fees, certain estimated refunds to members and customer service costs associated with vouchers we sell and hotel bookings, and salary expenses associated with network operations and customer service staff. Cost of revenues was \$3.0 million and \$2.9 million, respectively for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. Cost of revenues was \$8.5 million and \$7.8 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020.

Cost of revenues for Travelzoo North America and Travelzoo Europe was \$2.9 million and \$2.8 million, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The increase of \$73,000 was primarily due to \$650,000 increase in software license expenses and \$211,000 increase in expenses from third-party partners of the Travelzoo Network, offset partially by \$688,000 decrease in credit card fees. Cost of revenue for Jack's Flight Club decreased slightly to \$71,000 from \$76,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Cost of revenues for Travelzoo North America and Travelzoo Europe was \$8.3 million and \$7.5 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The increase of \$811,000 was primarily due to increase in software license expenses. Cost of revenue for Jack's Flight Club decreased to \$227,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from \$274,000 for the period between January 13, 2020 through September 30, 2020. The decrease of \$47,000 was primarily due the decrease in payment processing fees.

### **Operating Expenses**

#### *Sales and Marketing*

Sales and marketing expenses consist primarily of advertising and promotional expenses, salary expenses associated with sales, marketing and production employees, expenses related to our participation in industry conferences, public relations expenses and facilities costs. Sales and marketing expenses were \$7.7 million and \$6.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Sales and marketing expenses were \$21.8 million and \$24.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Advertising expenses consist primarily of online advertising which we refer to as traffic acquisition cost and member acquisition costs. For the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, advertising expenses accounted for 17% and 1%, respectively, of the total sales and marketing expenses. For the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, advertising expenses accounted for 11% and 10%, respectively, of the total sales and marketing expenses. The goal of our advertising was to acquire new members to our email products, increase the traffic to our websites, increase brand awareness and increase our audience through mobile and social media channels.

Sales and marketing expenses for Travelzoo North America and Travelzoo Europe was \$7.6 million and \$6.8 million, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The increase of \$792,000 was primarily due to increase in member acquisition costs. Sales and marketing expenses for Jack's Flight Club decreased to \$144,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from \$156,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2020 due to decrease in advertising and marketing expenses.

Sales and marketing expenses for Travelzoo North America and Travelzoo Europe was \$21.4 million and \$23.8 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The decrease of \$2.4 million was primarily due to \$1.2 million decrease in facilities costs, \$438,000 decrease in marketing expenses, \$345,000 decrease in headcount related expenses and \$324,000 decrease in software license expenses. Sales and marketing expenses for Jack's Flight Club decreased to \$409,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from \$483,000 for the period between January 13, 2020 through September 30, 2020 primarily due to decrease in advertising and marketing expenses.

#### *Product Development*

Product development expenses consist primarily of compensation for software development staff, fees for professional services, software maintenance, amortization, and facilities costs. Product development expenses were \$684,000 and \$592,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Product development expenses were \$2.1 million and \$2.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Jack's Flight Club did not incur product development expenses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020.

Product development expenses increased \$92,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020 primarily due to increase in professional service fees.

Product development expenses decreased \$534,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from the nine months ended September 30, 2020 primarily due to decrease in headcount related expenses.

#### *General and Administrative*

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of compensation for administrative and executive staff, bad debt expense, professional service expenses for audit and tax preparation, legal expenses, amortization of intangible assets, general office expense and facilities costs. General and administrative expenses were \$4.6 million and \$4.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively. General and administrative expenses were \$14.2 million and \$16.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

General and administrative expenses for Travelzoo North America and Travelzoo Europe was \$4.0 million for each of the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The headcount related expenses increase of \$238,000 was offset by the bad debt expenses decrease of \$212,000 in the three months ended September 30, 2021. General and administrative expenses for Jack's Flight Club was \$524,000 and \$505,000, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The increase of \$19,000 was primarily due to the headcount related expenses.

General and administrative expenses for Travelzoo North America and Travelzoo Europe was \$12.4 million and \$14.8 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The decrease of \$2.4 million was primarily due to \$2.0 million decrease in bad debt expense and \$1.8 million decrease in headcount related expenses which mainly related to the decrease of stock-based compensation expense as the result of the shareholder's approval in May 2020 of newly granted options and repricing of certain previously granted options, offset partially by \$1.5 million gain relating to Jack's Flight Club's promissory note forgiveness in the nine months ended September 30, 2020. General and administrative expenses for Jack's Flight Club was \$1.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and \$2.0 million for the period between January 13, 2020 through September 30, 2020. The decrease of \$161,000 was primarily due to the \$448,000 additional payment the Company reached with Jack's Flight Club in 2020 on the settlement agreement, offset partially by the \$230,000 of indirect tax expenses Jack's Flight Club recorded in the nine months ended September 30, 2021.

#### *Impairment of intangible assets and goodwill*

We determined that the global pandemic that was declared in March 2020 was a triggering event requiring us to assess our long-lived assets including goodwill for impairment in the first quarter of 2020. The Company's impairment test indicated that Jack's Flight Club's indefinite lived intangible assets ("Trade name") was impaired for \$810,000 and goodwill was impaired for \$2.1 million, and the Company recorded these impairments in the first quarter of 2020. The Company also did an annual assessment of our long-lived assets in the fourth quarter of 2020 but determined that no impairment was required at that time.

#### *Other Income (Loss)*

Other income (loss) consisted primarily of foreign exchange transactions gains and losses, our share of investment gains and losses and amortization of basis differences, sublease income, gains on extinguishment of PPP loans, interest income earned on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash as well as interest expense.

Other income (loss) was \$3.3 million and (\$37,000), respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. Other income (loss) was \$3.9 million and (\$222,000), respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. The increase for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from three months ended September 30, 2020 was due to the \$3.2 million gain recorded as the result of the PPP loan forgiveness in the three months ended September 30, 2021. The increase for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from the nine months ended September 30, 2020 was due to the \$3.6 million gain recorded as the result of PPP loan forgiveness in the nine months of September 30, 2021.

## Income Taxes

Our income is generally taxed in the U.S., Canada and U.K. Our income tax provision reflects federal, state and country statutory rates applicable to our worldwide income. Income tax expense (benefit) was \$233,000 and (\$244,000), respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. Our effective tax rate was 8% and 20%, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. Income tax expense (benefit) was \$2.1 million and (\$2.1 million), respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020. Our effective tax rate was 33% and 15%, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 respectively.

Our effective tax rate decreased for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from three months ended September 30, 2020 primarily due to PPP loan forgiveness income generated in the three months ended September 30, 2021 that is exempt from tax. Our effective tax rate increased for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from nine months ended September 30, 2020 primarily due to changes in deferred tax assets from limitations on deductible stock-based compensation, offset by PPP Loan forgiveness income exempt from tax. We expect our effective tax rate to fluctuate in future periods depending on the geographic mix of our worldwide income or losses mainly incurred by our operations, statutory tax rate changes that may occur, existing or new uncertain tax matters that may arise and require changes in tax reserves, the use of accumulated losses to offset current taxable income and the need for valuation allowances on certain tax assets, if any. See “Note 5: Income Taxes” to the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for further information.

## Travelzoo North America

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Revenue	\$ 9,663	\$ 9,143	\$ 33,467	\$ 26,042
Operating profit (loss)	\$ (918)	\$ (696)	\$ 2,654	\$ (6,374)
Operating profit (loss) as a % of revenue	(9.5)%	(7.6)%	7.9 %	(24.5)%

North America revenues increased by \$520,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020 (see “Revenues” above). North America expenses increased by \$742,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020. The increase was primarily due to \$827,000 increase in member acquisition costs and \$561,000 increase in software license expenses, offset partially by \$609,000 decrease in credit card fees.

North America revenues increased by \$7.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from the nine months ended September 30, 2020 (see “Revenues” above). North America expenses decreased by \$1.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The decrease was primarily due to \$2.5 million decrease in stock-based compensation expense as the result of the shareholders’ approval in May 2020 of newly granted options and repricing of certain previously granted options, \$1.0 million decrease for headcount related expenses and \$524,000 decrease in bad debt expenses, offset partially by \$1.5 million gain relating to Jack’s Flight Club’s promissory note forgiveness in 2020 and \$883,000 increase in expenses from third-party partners of the Travelzoo Network for the nine months ended September 30, 2021.



## Travelzoo Europe

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Revenue	\$ 5,229	\$ 3,657	\$ 13,041	\$ 12,461
Operating profit (loss)	\$ 600	\$ (757)	\$ (323)	\$ (3,781)
Operating profit (loss) as a % of revenue	11.5 %	(20.7)%	(2.5)%	(30.3)%

Europe revenues increased by \$1.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020 (see “Revenues” above). Europe expenses increased by \$215,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020. The increase was primarily due to increase in member acquisition costs.

Europe revenues increased by \$580,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from the nine months ended September 30, 2020 (see “Revenues” above). Europe expenses decreased by \$2.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 from the nine months ended September 30, 2020. The decrease was primarily due to \$1.5 million decrease in bad debt expenses, \$476,000 decrease in marketing expenses and \$457,000 decrease in member acquisition costs.

Foreign currency movements relative to the U.S. dollar positively impacted our local currency income from our operations in Europe by approximately \$64,000 and \$4,000 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2021, respectively. Foreign currency movements relative to the U.S. dollar negatively impacted our local currency income from our operations in Europe by approximately \$33,000 and \$0 for the three and six months ended September 30, 2020, respectively.

## Jack’s Flight Club

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended	January 13 through
	2021	2020	September 30,	September 30,
	(In thousands)		(In thousands)	
Revenue	\$ 796	\$ 987	\$ 2,543	\$ 2,615
Operating profit (loss)	\$ 57	\$ 250	\$ 117	\$ (3,013)
Operating profit (loss) as a % of revenue	7.2 %	25.3 %	4.6 %	(115.2)%

Jack’s Flight Club revenues decreased by \$191,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020. Jack’s Flight Club expenses slightly increased by \$2,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2021 from the three months ended September 30, 2020.

Jack’s Flight Club revenues decreased by \$72,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 compared to the revenues from January 13, 2020 through September 30, 2020 (see “Revenues” above). Jack’s Flight Club expenses decreased by \$3.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 compared to the period between January 13, 2020 through September 30, 2020 primarily due to the impairment of intangible assets and goodwill charges the Company recorded in the first quarter of 2020.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of September 30, 2021, we had \$65.2 million in cash and cash equivalents, of which \$31.5 million was held outside the U.S. in our foreign operations. If this cash is distributed to the U.S., we may be subject to additional U.S. taxes in certain circumstances.

Cash and cash equivalents increased \$2.1 million from \$63.1 million as of December 31, 2020 primarily by cash provided by operating activities offset by cash paid for taxes in net share settlement of stock option exercises and cash used to repurchase our common stocks.

As of September 30, 2021, the Company had merchant payables of \$73.2 million related to the sale of vouchers. In the Company's financial statements presented in this 10-Q report, following GAAP accounting principles, we classified all merchant payables as current. When all merchant payables are classified as current, there is negative net working capital (which is defined as current assets minus current liabilities) of \$18.0 million. Payables to merchants are generally due upon redemption of vouchers. The vouchers have maturities from October 2021 through December 2023. Management believes that redemptions may be delayed for international vouchers in the current environment. Based on current projections of redemption activity, we expect that cash on hand as of September 30, 2021 will be sufficient to provide for working capital needs for at least the next twelve months. However, if redemption activity is more accelerated, if our business is not profitable, or if our planned targets for cash flows from operations are not met, we may need to obtain additional financing to meet our working capital needs in the future. We believe that we could obtain additional financing if needed, but there can be no assurance that financing will be available on terms that are acceptable to us, if at all.

The following table provides a summary of our cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2020
	(In thousands)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 9,283	\$ 37,584
Net cash used in investing activities	(24)	(1,361)
Net cash used in financing activities	(7,117)	(5,342)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(126)	393
Net increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	<u>\$ 2,016</u>	<u>\$ 31,274</u>

Net cash provided by operating activities is net income (loss) adjusted for certain non-cash items and changes in assets and liabilities. Net cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 was \$9.3 million, which primarily consisted of \$5.4 million increase in cash from changes in operating assets and liabilities, net income of \$4.2 million and \$344,000 decrease in non-cash items. The increase in cash from changes in operating assets and liabilities primarily consisted of \$16.5 million increase in merchant payables and \$5.0 million increase in accounts payable, offset partially by \$9.5 million increase in prepaid expenses and other, \$3.8 million increase in accounts receivable and \$2.0 million increase in prepaid income taxes. Adjustments for non-cash items primarily consisted of \$3.6 million gain on PPP notes payable forgiveness and \$2.8 million of stock-based compensation

Net cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2020 was \$37.6 million, which consisted of \$41.8 million increase in cash from changes in operating assets and liabilities and \$11.0 million non-cash items, offset partially by net loss of \$15.3 million. The increase in cash from changes in operating assets and liabilities primarily consisted of the \$33.2 million increase in accounts payable and \$6.2 million decrease in accounts receivable. Adjustments for non-cash items primarily consisted of \$5.2 million of stock-based compensation, \$3.9 million of provision of loss on accounts receivable and other, \$2.9 million impairment of goodwill and intangible assets and \$1.8 million depreciation and amortization, offset partially by \$1.7 million deferred income tax and \$1.5 million gain relating to Jack Flight Club's promissory notes forgiveness.

Cash paid for income tax, net of refunds received, during the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 was \$3.0 million and \$1.2 million, respectively.

Net cash used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 was \$24,000 and \$1.4 million, respectively. The cash used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 was for purchases of property and equipment. The cash used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2020 was primarily due to the \$1.0 million investment in Jack's Flight Club acquisition less acquired cash of \$321,000, \$430,000 in other investments and \$252,000 in purchases of property and equipment.

Net cash used in financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 was \$7.1 million and \$5.3 million, respectively. The cash used in financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 was primarily due to \$5.4 million cash paid for taxes in net share settlement of stock option exercises and \$1.6 million paid for common stock repurchase. The cash used in financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2020 was primarily due to the \$7.8 million promissory note payment for Jack's Flight Club stock purchase and \$1.2 million to repurchase common stock, offset by \$3.7 million proceeds from PPP loans.

Although we have settled the states unclaimed property claims with all states, we may still receive inquiries from certain potential Netsurfers promotional shareholders that had not provided their state of residence to us by April 25, 2004. Therefore, we are continuing our voluntary program under which we make cash payments to individuals related to the promotional shares for individuals whose residence was unknown by us and who establish that they satisfied the conditions to receive shares of Netsurfers, and who failed to submit requests to convert their shares into shares of Travelzoo within the required time period. This voluntary program is not available for individuals whose promotional shares have been escheated to a state by us.

Our capital requirements depend on a number of factors, including market acceptance of our products and services, the amount of our resources we devote to the development of new products, cash payments related to former shareholders of Netsurfers, expansion of our operations, and the amount of resources we devote to promoting awareness of the *Travelzoo* brand. Since the inception of the voluntary program under which we make cash payments to people who establish that they were former shareholders of Netsurfers, and who failed to submit requests to convert their shares into shares of Travelzoo within the required time period, we have incurred expenses of \$2.9 million. While future payments for this program are expected to decrease, the total cost of this voluntary program is still undeterminable because it is dependent on our stock price and on the number of valid requests ultimately received.

Consistent with our growth, we have experienced fluctuations in our cost of revenues, sales and marketing expenses and our general and administrative expenses, including increases in product development costs, and we anticipate that these increases will continue for the foreseeable future. We believe cash on hand will be sufficient to pay such costs for at least the next twelve months. In addition, we will continue to evaluate possible investments in businesses, products and technologies, the consummation of any of which would increase our capital requirements.

We are subject to risks and uncertainties as a result of the global pandemic. Because of the global pandemic, many of our advertisers have paused, canceled, and stopped advertising with us. Additionally, there have been a large amount of cancellations for our hotel and travel package partners as well as refund requests for our vouchers with the Company's restaurant and spa partners. We have taken steps to adopt new policies and reduce expenses in an effort to maintain our cash position, while we evaluate potential business options and strategic alternatives that may be available.

Although we currently believe that we have sufficient capital resources to meet our anticipated working capital and capital expenditure requirements for at least the next twelve months, unanticipated events and opportunities or a less favorable than expected development of our business with one or more of advertising formats may require us to sell additional equity or debt securities or establish new credit facilities to raise capital in order to meet our capital requirements.

If we sell additional equity or convertible debt securities, the sale could dilute the ownership of our existing shareholders. If we issue debt securities or establish a new credit facility, our fixed obligations could increase, and we may be required to agree to operating covenants that would restrict our operations. We cannot be sure that any such financing will be available in amounts or on terms acceptable to us.

If the development of our business is less favorable than expected, we may decide to significantly reduce the size of our operations and marketing expenses in certain markets with the objective of reducing cash outflow.

The information set forth under "Note 4: Commitments and Contingencies" and "Note 11: Leases" to the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I, Item 1 of this report is incorporated herein by reference. Litigation and claims against the Company may result in legal defense costs, settlements or judgments that could have a material impact on our financial condition.

We also have contingencies related to net unrecognized tax benefits, including interest, of approximately \$1.3 million as of September 30, 2021. See "Note 5: Income Taxes" to the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for further information.

## **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Critical accounting policies and estimates are those that we believe are important in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements because they require that we use judgment and estimates in applying those policies. Preparation of the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes requires that we make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and classifications of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated financial statements as well as revenue and expenses during the periods reported. We base our estimates on historical experience, where applicable, and other assumptions that we believe are reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from our estimates under different assumptions or conditions. Our critical accounting policies include revenue recognition, reserve for member refunds, allowance for doubtful accounts, income taxes and loss contingencies. For additional information about our critical accounting policies and estimates, see the disclosure included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 as well as updates in the current fiscal year provided in “Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies” in the notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

### *Recent Accounting Pronouncements*

See “Note 1—The Company and Basis of Presentation” to the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in this report, regarding the impact of certain recent accounting pronouncements on our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

**Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

Not required for smaller reporting companies.

**Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

Based on management's evaluation (with the participation of the Company's Global Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chief Accounting Officer (CAO), as of September 30, 2021, our CEO and CAO have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)), are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in U.S. SEC rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our CEO and CAO, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

During the quarter ended September 30, 2021, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting.

## PART II—OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

The information set forth under “Note 4—Commitments and Contingencies” to the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I, Item 1 of this report is incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the risk factors discussed in Part I, “Item 1A Risk Factors” in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020, which are incorporated herein by reference. These risk factors could materially affect our business, financial position, or results of operations. These are not the only risks facing the Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial position, or results of operations.

***The COVID-19 pandemic has had, and is expected to continue to have, a material adverse impact on the travel industry and our business and financial performance.***

Many of the Company’s advertisers and partners are part of the global travel and hospitality industry. The measures implemented to contain COVID have had, and are expected to continue to have, a significant negative effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations and cash flows. The measures implemented led to many of our advertisers pausing, canceling, or stopping advertising with us, as well as a high level of cancellations for our hotel partners and travel package partners, and refund requests for vouchers sold by Travelzoo for restaurant and spa partners. However, we have modified our policies, particularly with our vouchers, to extend expiration dates and allow for full refundability and have received positive feedback from Travelzoo members. We are also seeing many advertisers and partners starting to return to advertising with us, as the effects of the pandemic subside, although with the emergence of new COVID variants, this trend could stop or even reverse. We will continue to adapt our business strategy and policies as the situation evolves.

Any changes in laws or regulations that further impair the ability or desire of individuals to travel, including laws or regulations banning travel, requiring vaccination, COVID testing requirements in connection with travel, the closure of hotels or other travel-related businesses (such as restaurants and spas) or other restrictions in connection with or as a result of the COVID pandemic, may exacerbate the negative impact of COVID on our business, financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows. The ultimate extent of the COVID pandemic and its impact on travel is unknown and difficult to predict. As a result, the full extent of the impact on our business and results of operations is unknown. The pandemic and the emergence of new variants, including the Delta variant, could continue to hamper global economic activity for an extended period of time, even as restrictions begin to lift or vaccination rates increase, leading to decreased disposable income for consumers, increased and ongoing unemployment and/or a decline in consumer confidence, all of which could significantly reduce discretionary spending on travel. In turn, that could have a negative impact on demand for our services. Although the increase in vaccination rates has allowed many countries to open their borders for travel again, there is inconsistency in testing, vaccination and safety protocols across countries, making trip planning unpredictable and undermining consumer confidence. Because we operate in various countries (including through our licensing arrangements), we are subject to varying rates of recovery and diverse restrictions and reactions to COVID and vaccinations. The aforementioned circumstances could result in a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows, potentially for a prolonged period.

While we undertook certain actions to attempt to mitigate the effects of COVID on our business during 2020, including but not limited to employee furloughs, aggressive reduction of expenses and re-negotiation of material contracts and leases, our cost-savings activities may lead to disruptions in our business, inability to enhance or preserve our brand awareness, reduced employee morale and productivity, increased attrition, and problems retaining existing and recruiting future employees, all of which could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows, including in 2021 and beyond. While we do not anticipate additional cost-saving efforts will be necessary at this time, if new variants of COVID emerge or restrictions do not continue to subside, we could need to re-evaluate and resume mitigation and cost-cutting efforts.

For the reasons set forth above and other reasons that may come to light as the COVID pandemic and containment measures continue, it is difficult to estimate the impact on our future revenues, results of operations, cash flows, liquidity or financial condition, but such impacts have been and will continue to be significant and could continue to have a material adverse effect for the foreseeable future. We have seen that the COVID pandemic impacted our financial performance for 2020 and while we are seeing a trend of recovery in 2021, with the emergence of new variants and an ever-changing testing and

vaccination environment, it is continuing to have an impact and is anticipated to continue to have an impact for the foreseeable future.

***We are subject to payments-related and fraud risks.***

We accept payments for the sale of vouchers using a variety of methods, including credit cards and debit cards. We pay interchange and other fees, which may increase over time and raise our operating expenses and lower profitability. We rely on third parties to provide payment processing services and it could disrupt our business if these companies become unwilling or unable to provide these services to us. Because COVID has increased the risk profile of travel-related companies, such payment processing services may require larger deposits, impose stricter rules or requirements, or may decide to stop working with companies related to the travel industry altogether. If we are unable to pivot to a new payment processor quickly, this could lead to periods of time where we are unable to accept or process payments from our members, impacting our ability to generate revenue. We are also subject to payment card association operating rules, certification requirements and rules governing electronic funds transfers and regulations for electronic payment services, such as PSD2 in Europe, which could change or be reinterpreted to make it difficult or impossible for us to comply. In addition, our results can be negatively impacted by purchases made using fraudulent credit cards. Because we act as the merchant of record for certain transactions, we may be held liable for accepting fraudulent credit cards on our websites as well as other payment disputes with our customers. If we have an increase of charge-backs due to the use of fraudulent credit cards on our websites, our business, results of operations and financial condition could be adversely affected. Moreover, under payment card rules and our contracts with our card processors, if there is a security breach of payment card information that we store, we could be liable to the payment card issuing banks for their cost of issuing new cards and related expenses. If we fail to comply with these rules or requirements, we may be subject to fines and higher transaction fees and lose our ability to accept credit and debit card payments, process electronic funds transfers, or facilitate other types of online payments, and our business and results of operations could be adversely affected. If one or more of these contracts are terminated and we are unable to replace them on similar terms, or at all, it could adversely affect our results of operations.

**Item 2: Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

**Repurchases of Equity Securities**

We did not repurchase shares of our equity securities during the three months ended September 30, 2021.

In May 2019, the Company announced a stock repurchase program authorizing the repurchase of up to 1,000,000 shares of the Company's outstanding common stock. The Company repurchased and retired 436,369 shares of common stock in 2019. The Company repurchased 168,602 shares of common stock in 2020. There were 395,029 shares remaining to be repurchased under this program as of September 30, 2021. Subsequent to September 30, 2021, the Company repurchased 91,015 shares of common stock for an aggregate purchase price of \$925,000 under this stock repurchase program. The Company entered into a SRA with Mr. Holger Bartel and repurchased 100,000 shares of our equity securities from him in the first quarter of 2021. This transaction was approved by the Company's compensation committee and was not part of the 1,000,000 shares stock repurchase program authorized in May 2019.

## Item 6. Exhibits

The following table sets forth a list of exhibits:

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
<a href="#">3.1</a>	— Certificate of Incorporation of Travelzoo (Incorporated by reference to our Pre-Effective Amendment No. 6 to our Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-55026), filed February 14, 2002)
<a href="#">3.2</a>	— Certificate of Amendment of Certificate Incorporation of Travelzoo (File No. 000-50171), filed May 10, 2017)
<a href="#">3.3</a>	— Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation to Authorize a Reduction of the Authorized Number of Shares of Our Common Stock from 40,000,000 to 20,000,000 Shares
<a href="#">3.4</a>	— Amended and Restated By-laws of Travelzoo (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.5 on Form 8-K (File No. 000-50171), filed April 12, 2021).
<a href="#">10.1</a>	— Form of Director and Officer Indemnification Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 10-Q (File No. 000-50171), filed November 9, 2007)
<a href="#">31.1‡</a>	— Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
<a href="#">31.2‡</a>	— Certification of Chief Accounting Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
<a href="#">32.1†</a>	— Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
<a href="#">32.2†</a>	— Certification of Chief Accounting Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
101.INS†	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

\* This exhibit is a management contract or a compensatory plan or arrangement.

‡ Filed herewith

† Furnished herewith



**SIGNATURE**

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

TRAVELZOO  
(Registrant)

By:

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/s/ LISA SU

**Lisa Su**

*On behalf of the Registrant and as Chief Accounting Officer*

Date: November 8, 2021

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Holger Bartel, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Travelzoo;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

a. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

c. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

d. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

a. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ HOLGER BARTEL

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Holger Bartel

*Global Chief Executive Officer*

Date: November 8, 2021

**CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING OFFICER PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Lisa Su, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Travelzoo;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

a. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

c. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

d. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

a. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ LISA SU

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Lisa Su

*Chief Accounting Officer*

Date: November 8, 2021

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and in connection with the quarterly report of Travelzoo on Form 10-Q for the three months ended September 30, 2021, the undersigned hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to the best of his knowledge, that (1) this report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and (2) the information contained in this report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the registrant.

Date: November 8, 2021

By: /s/ HOLGER BARTEL

Holger Bartel

*Global Chief Executive Officer*

**CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING OFFICER PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and in connection with the quarterly report of Travelzoo on Form 10-Q for the three months ended September 30, 2021, the undersigned hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to the best of his knowledge, that (1) this report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and (2) the information contained in this report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the registrant.

Date: November 8, 2021

By: /s/ LISA SU  
Lisa Su  
*Chief Accounting Officer*