

Third Quarter 2014 Financial Results

Investor Conference Call

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A Solid Quarter That Validates Our Strategy

- 2014 continues to track according to expectations
- Solid double digit revenue growth and margin expansion in both CEB and SHL TM segments
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- Sustaining revenue outlook and raising profit guidance
- Increasing expected 2014 buyback to approximately \$30 million

Financial Summary

In Millions, Except per Share Figures

	Q3 2014	Q3 2013	YOY Change
Revenue	\$229.0	\$201.7	13.5%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin ¹	28.8%	24.7%	n/m
Diluted Earnings (Loss) per Share	\$0.63	\$(0.16)	n/m
Non-GAAP Diluted Earnings per Share ¹	\$1.05	\$0.86	22.1%

Third quarter revenue consistent with expectations. EBITDA margin and Earnings per Share benefited from net non-operating foreign exchange gain and improved performance.

¹ Non-GAAP measure. See Appendix.

n/m = not meaningful.

Key Operating Metrics

Metric	Q3 Outcome	Comment
CEB Segment Contract Value	\$646.7 M	12.3% year over year growth
SHL Talent Measurement Segment Adjusted Revenue ¹	\$50.6 M	12.9% constant currency growth ²
CEB Segment Wallet Retention Rate	99%	Continues solid base
SHL Talent Measurement Segment Wallet Retention Rate	106%	Improved versus 97% in Q3 2013
CEB Segment Member Institutions	6,847	Broad-based growth, helped by <i>KnowledgeAdvisors</i>
CEB Segment Contract Value per Member Institution	\$94.3 K	Growth in large corporate and higher mix of middle market

¹ Non-GAAP measure. See appendix.

² Primarily reflects impacts of YoY changes in GBP-USD and AUD-USD exchange rates.

Segment Highlights

In \$ Millions

	Consolidated Total			CEB Segment			SHL Talent Measurement Segment		
	Q3 2014	Q3 2013	% Change	Q3 2014	Q3 2013	% Change	Q3 2014	Q3 2013	% Change
Revenue	\$229.0	\$201.7	13.5%	\$179.1	\$158.7	12.8%	\$49.9	\$43.0	16.0%
Impact of Deferred Revenue Fair Value Adjustment	1.7	1.4		1.0	-		0.7	1.4	
Adjusted Revenue ¹	\$230.7	\$203.1	13.6%	\$180.1	\$158.7	13.5%	\$50.6	\$44.4	13.9%
Adjusted EBITDA ¹	\$66.5	\$50.1	32.6%	\$56.3	\$45.0	25.2%	\$10.2	\$5.1	98.3%
Adjusted EBITDA Margin ¹	28.8%	24.7%	n/m	31.3%	28.4%	n/m	20.1%	11.5%	n/m

Note: Some figures are rounded.

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Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Highlights

In \$ Millions

	Q3 2014	Comment
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$87.0	Sequential decline per normal seasonality
Accounts Receivable	\$194.3	
Deferred Revenue, Current Portion	\$384.5	\$319.2 M for CEB segment
Total Debt	\$508.1	1.9x Net Debt to trailing 12 months adjusted EBITDA
YTD Cash Flows from Operations	\$117.9	Up 24.1% versus 2013
Capital Expenditures	\$7.5	Sequential reduction in quarterly project spend. Annual spend should be 3-4% of revenue target range
Dividends Paid	\$8.8	
Share Repurchase	\$11.5	Anticipate full year buyback of approximately \$30 M

Updating Full-Year Guidance

	2014 Outlook	Comment
Adjusted Revenue ¹	\$915 to \$925 M	
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Adjusted EBITDA Margin ¹	24.75% to 25.25%	
Depreciation & Amortization	\$69 to \$71 M	
Capital Expenditures	Approximately \$35 M	
GAAP Tax Rate	Estimated full-year rate of approximately 48%	Q2 <i>PDR</i> goodwill impairment loss drives the effective tax rate higher.
Non GAAP Diluted Earnings per Share ¹	\$3.25 to \$3.45	

¹ Non-GAAP measure. See Appendix.

² Deferred revenue fair value adjustment of approximately \$6 M.

Market Highlights

North America

Continued healthy growth in large corporate and middle market

EMEA

Recent performance trends remain healthy

Asia-Pacific

Solid performance in Q3 with region growing around firm average

SHL Talent Measurement

All regions continue to contribute healthy growth; on track to realize margin profile outlined at investor day

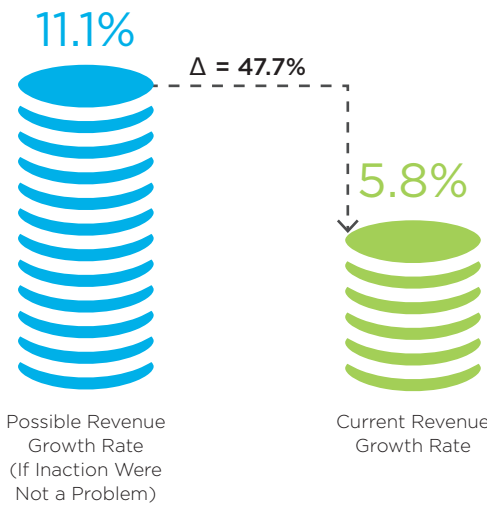
Continuing to Reinvent the Development and Delivery of Management Insight

Focus for 2014

- Developing uniquely powerful insights into the drivers of corporate and functional performance
- Personalizing the member experience through technology and tools
- Developing upgrade paths for members to add additional levels of support and wider range of products

Executive Inaction Costs Companies Revenue Growth

Possible Versus Current Growth Rates in Percentage Terms, as Cited by Respondents



n = 79 strategy executives.
Source: CEB 2012 Strategy Growth Survey.

Leading the Analytic Transformation of Talent Management

Focus for 2014

- Wrapping predictive data and insights in technology that ties CEB to talent decisions
- Combining and recombining CEB assets in unique ways to create innovative solutions
- Seeking additional portions of the talent management workflow that can benefit from CEB support

High-Potential Solution

Integrating CEB Assets to Build a Powerful New Solution

**CEB HIPO
Research**

**CEB Assessment
Solution**

Solution 1: Design your HiPo Program

CEB Corporate Leadership Council provides best practices, tools, and decision support

Solution 2: Identify your HiPos

CEB SHL Talent Measurement identifies and assesses high-potential employees

Solution 3: Design and Implement

A combined HiPo solution

Expanding the Frontier of Our Brand and Impact

Focus for 2014

- Raising global visibility and awareness of CEB brand
- Penetrating and growing key global markets

2014 CEB Sales and Marketing Summit



Laying the Foundation for Future Growth

Focus for 2014

- Continuing to build world-class CEB team and maintain unique culture and employee value proposition
- Investing in firm-level infrastructure to support and enable CEB talent

We Use Our Resources to Enhance Hiring

Understanding Labor Market Dynamics

CEB TalentNeuron

Selecting and Assessing Talent

CEB SHL Talent Measurement

Building Smart Sourcing Strategies

CEB Recruiting Leadership Council

How do we attract and hire the right talent?

Developing Recruiting Team Capabilities

CEB Recruiting Leadership Council

CEB Talent Advisor Leadership Academy

CEB Recruiting Effectiveness Dashboard

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Preliminary view on 2015 operating plan targets organic growth at midpoint of long-term 8%-13% range and high point of 25-50 basis point margin expansion range.

Appendix: Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This presentation and the accompanying tables, as well as earnings discussions, include a discussion of Adjusted revenue, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA margin, Adjusted net income, and Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share, all of which are non-GAAP financial measures provided as a complement to the results provided in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”).

The term “Adjusted revenue” refers to revenue before the impact of the reduction of SHL and KnowledgeAdvisors revenue recognized in the post-acquisition period to reflect the adjustment of deferred revenue at the acquisition date to fair value (the “deferred revenue fair value adjustment”).

The term “Adjusted EBITDA” refers to net (loss) income before loss from discontinued operations, net of provision for income taxes; provision for income taxes; interest expense, net; gain on cost method investment; depreciation and amortization; the impact of the deferred revenue fair value adjustment; acquisition related costs; impairment loss; debt extinguishment costs; share-based compensation; costs associated with exit activities; restructuring costs; and gain on acquisition.

The term “Adjusted EBITDA margin” refers to Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of Adjusted revenue.

The term “Adjusted net income” refers to net (loss) income before loss from discontinued operations, net of provision for income taxes and excludes the after tax effects of the impact of the deferred revenue fair value adjustment; acquisition related costs; impairment loss; gain on cost method investment; share-based compensation; debt extinguishment costs; amortization of acquisition related intangibles; costs associated with exit activities; restructuring costs; and gain on acquisition.

“Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share” refers to diluted (loss) earnings per share before the per share effect of loss from discontinued operations, net of provision for income taxes and excludes the after tax per share effects of the impact of the deferred revenue fair value adjustment; acquisition related costs; impairment loss; gain on cost method investment; share-based compensation; debt extinguishment costs; amortization of acquisition related intangibles; costs associated with exit activities; restructuring costs; and gain on acquisition.

We believe that these non-GAAP financial measures are relevant and useful supplemental information for evaluating our results of operations as compared from period to period and as compared to our competitors. We use these non-GAAP financial measures for internal budgeting and other managerial purposes, including comparison against our competitors, when publicly providing our business outlook, and as a measurement for potential acquisitions. These non-GAAP financial measures are not defined in the same manner by all companies and therefore may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures used by other companies.

Our non-GAAP financial measures reflect adjustments based on the following items, as well as the related income tax effects:

- Certain business combination accounting entries and expenses related to acquisitions: We have adjusted for the impact of the deferred revenue fair value adjustment, amortization of acquisition related intangibles, and acquisition related costs. We incurred transaction and certain other operating expenses in connection with our acquisitions which we generally would not have otherwise incurred in the periods presented as a part of our continuing operations. We believe that excluding these acquisition related items from our non-GAAP financial measures provides useful supplemental information to our investors and is important in illustrating what our core operating results would have been had we not incurred these acquisition related items since the nature, size, and number of acquisitions can vary from period to period.
- Share-based compensation: Although share-based compensation is a key incentive offered to our employees, we evaluate our operating results excluding such expense. Accordingly, we exclude share-based compensation from our non-GAAP financial measures because we believe it provides valuable supplemental information that helps investors have a more complete understanding of our operating results. In addition, we believe the exclusion of this expense facilitates the ability of our investors to compare our operating results with those of other peer companies, many of which also exclude such expense in determining their non-GAAP measures, given varying valuation methodologies, subjective assumptions, and the variety and amount of award types that may be utilized.
- Impairment loss, gain on cost method investment, and debt extinguishment costs: We believe that excluding these items from our non-GAAP financial measures provides useful supplemental information to our investors and is important in illustrating what our core operating results would have been had we not incurred these items. We exclude these items because management does not believe they correlate to the ongoing operating results of the business.

With respect to our 2014 annual guidance, reconciliations of net income to Adjusted EBITDA, net income to Adjusted net income, and GAAP diluted earnings per share to Non-GAAP diluted earnings per share as projected for 2014 are not provided because we cannot, without unreasonable effort, determine the components of net income and GAAP diluted earnings per share to provide reconciliations with certainty at this time.

These non-GAAP measures may be considered in addition to results prepared in accordance with GAAP, but they should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, GAAP results. We intend to continue to provide these non-GAAP financial measures as part of our future earnings discussions and, therefore, the inclusion of these non-GAAP financial measures will provide consistency in our financial reporting.

A reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable GAAP measure is included in the accompanying tables.

Appendix: Current Period Versus Prior Period

In Thousands, Except per Share Data

	Three Months Ended 30 Sep. 2014			Three Months Ended 30 Sep. 2013			Nine Months Ended 30 Sep. 2014			Nine Months Ended 30 Sep. 2013		
	CEB	SHL	Consolidated	CEB	SHL	Consolidated	CEB	SHL	Consolidated	CEB	SHL	Consolidated
ADJUSTED REVENUE												
Revenue	\$179,100	\$49,908	\$229,008	\$158,709	\$43,026	\$201,735	\$515,189	\$153,683	\$668,872	\$463,666	\$132,951	\$596,617
Impact of the Deferred Revenue Fair Value Adjustment	1,028	675	1,703	-	1,367	1,367	2,875	2,062	4,937	-	8,826	8,826
Adjusted Revenue	\$180,128	\$50,583	\$230,711	\$158,709	\$44,393	\$203,102	\$518,064	\$155,745	\$673,809	\$463,666	\$141,777	\$605,443
ADJUSTED EBITDA												
Net Income (Loss)			\$21,382			\$(5,383)			\$22,617			\$19,393
Provision for Income Taxes			18,040			(2,612)			21,239			12,485
Interest Expense, Net			4,477			4,901			13,632			17,424
Gain on Cost Method Investment			-			-			(6,585)			-
Debt extinguishment costs			-			6,691			-			6,691
Other (Income) Expense, Net			(5,850)			2,148			(3,606)			969
Operating Profit (Loss)	\$39,750	\$(1,701)	38,049	\$10,357	\$(4,612)	5,745	\$52,966	\$(5,669)	47,297	\$67,683	\$(10,721)	56,962
Other Income (Expense), Net	3,659	2,191	5,850	(521)	(1,627)	(2,148)	2,570	1,036	3,606	351	(1,320)	(969)
Depreciation and Amortization	7,917	8,738	16,655	6,964	8,323	15,287	25,052	26,534	51,586	21,256	23,520	44,776
Impact of the Deferred Revenue Fair Value Adjustment	1,028	675	1,703	-	1,367	1,367	2,875	2,062	4,937	-	8,826	8,826
Acquisition Related Costs	407	-	407	2,808	1,214	4,022	2,852	-	2,852	4,827	2,217	7,044
Impairment Loss	-	-	-	22,600	-	22,600	39,700	-	39,700	22,600	-	22,600
Share-Based Compensation	3,582	262	3,844	2,806	460	3,266	10,313	1,288	11,601	8,162	961	9,123
Adjusted EBITDA	\$56,343	\$10,165	\$66,508	\$45,014	\$5,125	\$50,139	\$136,328	\$25,251	\$161,579	\$124,879	\$23,483	\$148,362
ADJUSTED EBITDA MARGIN	31.3%	20.1%	28.8%	28.4%	11.5%	24.7%	26.3%	16.2%	24.0%	26.9%	16.6%	24.5%
ADJUSTED NET INCOME												
Net Income (Loss)			\$21,382			\$(5,383)			\$22,617			\$19,393
Impact of the Deferred Revenue Fair Value Adjustment ¹			1,143			1,088			3,270			6,398
Acquisition Related Costs ¹			244			2,624			1,789			4,582
Impairment Loss ²			3,814			18,401			27,953			18,401
Gain on Cost Method Investment ¹			-			-			(3,944)			-
Debt Extinguishment Costs ¹			-			4,001			-			4,001
Share-Based Compensation ¹			2,420			2,015			7,241			5,620
Amortization of Acquisition Related Intangibles ¹			6,830			6,393			20,759			18,192
Adjusted Net Income			\$35,833			\$29,139			\$79,685			\$76,587
NON-GAAP DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE												
Diluted Earnings (Loss) per Share			\$0.63			\$(0.16)			\$0.66			\$0.57
Impact of the Deferred Revenue Fair Value Adjustment ¹			0.03			0.03			0.10			0.19
Acquisition Related Costs ¹			0.01			0.08			0.05			0.13
Impairment Loss ²			0.11			0.54			0.82			0.54
Gain on Cost Method Investment ¹			-			-			(0.12)			-
Debt Extinguishment Costs ¹			-			0.12			-			0.12
Share-Based Compensation ¹			0.07			0.06			0.21			0.17
Amortization of Acquisition Related Intangibles ¹			0.20			0.19			0.61			0.54
Non-GAAP Diluted Earnings per Share			\$1.05			\$0.86			\$2.33			\$2.26

¹ Adjustments are net of the estimated income tax effect using statutory rates based on the relative amounts allocated to each jurisdiction in the applicable period. The following income tax rates were used: 33% in 2014 and 29% in 2013 for the deferred revenue fair value adjustment; 37% in 2014 and 2013 for acquisition related costs; 40% in 2014 for the gain on cost method investment; 38% in 2014 and 39% in 2013 for share-based compensation; 40% in 2013 for debt extinguishment costs; and 30% in 2014 and 32% in 2013 for amortization of acquisition related intangibles.

² The \$39.7 million impairment loss associated with PDRI's non-deductible intangible assets and goodwill recognized in the second quarter of 2014 was not treated as a discrete event in the provision for income taxes; rather, it was considered to be a component of the estimated annual effective tax rate. Approximately \$3.8 million and \$4.2 million of the income tax effect associated with the non-deductible goodwill impairment loss was reflected in the income tax provision in the three and nine months ended 30 September 2014 and the remaining tax effect of approximately \$3.4 million will be added back in the fourth quarter of 2014 to bring the full year adjustment to \$31.4 million.

Appendix: Historical Financial Information

In Thousands, Except per Share Data

	Year Ended 31 December				
	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
ADJUSTED REVENUE					
Revenue	\$820,053	\$622,654	\$484,663	\$432,431	\$436,562
Impact of the Deferred Revenue Fair Value Adjustment	9,914	17,134	-	-	-
Adjusted Revenue	\$829,967	\$639,788	\$484,663	\$432,431	\$436,562
ADJUSTED EBITDA					
Net Income	\$31,971	\$37,051	\$52,655	\$40,363	\$45,629
Loss from Discontinued Operations, Net of Provision for Income Taxes	-	-	4,792	11,736	4,205
Income from Continuing Operations	31,971	37,051	57,447	52,099	49,834
Interest Expense (income), Net	22,337	10,834	(596)	(1,526)	(1,787)
Depreciation and Amortization	60,087	37,858	16,928	18,039	19,533
Provision for Income Taxes	28,467	37,569	38,860	34,015	30,197
Impact of the Deferred Revenue Fair Value Adjustment	9,914	17,134	-	-	-
Acquisition Related Costs	11,477	24,529	-	-	-
Impairment Loss	22,600	-	-	-	-
Debt Extinguishment Costs	6,691	-	-	-	-
Share-Based Compensation	12,547	9,214	8,118	7,431	10,667
Costs Associated with Exit Activities	-	-	-	-	11,518
Restructuring Costs	-	-	-	-	8,568
Gain on Acquisition	-	-	-	-	(680)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$206,091	\$174,189	\$120,757	\$110,058	\$127,850
ADJUSTED EBITDA MARGIN	24.8%	27.2%	24.9%	25.5%	29.3%
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Impact of the Deferred Revenue Fair Value Adjustment	7,193	12,474	-	-	-
Acquisition Related Costs	7,500	18,427	-	-	-
Share-Based Compensation	7,765	5,587	4,839	4,496	6,646
Impairment Loss	22,600	-	-	-	-
Debt Extinguishment Costs	4,001	-	-	-	-
Amortization of Acquisition Related Intangibles	24,353	12,614	2,031	2,177	1,587
Costs Associated with Exit Activities	-	-	-	-	7,141
Restructuring Costs	-	-	-	-	5,312
Gain on Acquisition	-	-	-	-	(422)
Adjusted Net Income	\$105,383	\$86,153	\$64,317	\$58,772	\$70,098
NON-GAAP DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE					
Diluted Earnings per Share	\$0.94	\$1.10	\$1.53	\$1.17	\$1.33
Loss from Discontinued Operations, Net of Provision for Income Taxes	-	-	0.14	0.34	0.12
Diluted Earnings per Share from Continuing Operations	0.94	1.10	1.67	1.51	1.45
Impact of the Deferred Revenue Fair Value Adjustment	0.21	0.37	-	-	-
Acquisition Related Costs	0.22	0.54	-	-	-
Share-Based Compensation	0.23	0.16	0.14	0.13	0.19
Impairment Loss	0.66	-	-	-	-
Debt Extinguishment Costs	0.12	-	-	-	-
Amortization of Acquisition Related Intangibles	0.72	0.38	0.06	0.06	0.05
Costs Associated with Exit Activities	-	-	-	-	0.20
Restructuring Costs	-	-	-	-	0.16
Gain on Acquisition	-	-	-	-	(0.01)
Non-GAAP Diluted Earnings per Share	\$3.10	\$2.55	\$1.87	\$1.70	\$2.04