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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended **June 30, 2019**

Or

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____
Commission file number: **001-36788**

EXELA TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State of or other Jurisdiction
Incorporation or Organization)

2701 E. Grauwlyer Rd.
Irving, TX
(Address of Principal Executive
Offices)

47-1347291
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

75061
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: **(844) 935-2832**

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Trading Symbol	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.0001 per share	XELA	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

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 pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit 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 the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large Accelerated Filer
Non-Accelerated Filer

Accelerated Filer
Smaller Reporting Company
Emerging Growth Company

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 revised 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

As of August 5, 2019 the registrant had 150,007,085 shares of Common Stock outstanding.

Exela Technologies, Inc.

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Exela Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
As of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018
(in thousands of United States dollars except share and per share amounts)

	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 18,449	\$ 25,615
Restricted cash	4,977	18,239
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$8,348 and \$4,359, respectively	266,660	270,812
Related party receivables	206	—
Inventories, net	16,735	16,220
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	23,791	25,015
Total current assets	330,818	355,901
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$167,376 and \$154,060 respectively	125,018	132,986
Operating lease right-of-use asset, net	96,498	—
Goodwill	708,246	708,258
Intangible assets, net	387,775	407,021
Deferred income tax assets	16,181	16,225
Other noncurrent assets	14,714	19,391
Total assets	\$ 1,679,250	\$ 1,639,782
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity (Deficit)		
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 99,089	\$ 99,853
Related party payables	238	7,735
Income tax payable	2,525	1,996
Accrued liabilities	59,487	66,008
Accrued compensation and benefits	52,493	54,583
Accrued interest	48,935	49,071
Customer deposits	28,914	34,235
Deferred revenue	19,428	16,504
Obligation for claim payment	41,496	56,002
Current portion of finance lease liability	15,897	17,498
Current portion of operating lease liability	27,444	—
Current portion of long-term debt	38,929	29,237
Total current liabilities	434,875	432,722
Long-term debt, net of current maturities	1,331,898	1,306,423
Finance lease obligations, net of current portion	25,772	26,738
Pension liability	24,866	25,269
Deferred income tax liabilities	15,896	11,212
Long-term income tax liability	2,842	3,024
Operating lease liability, net of current portion	74,290	—
Other long-term liabilities	7,882	15,400
Total liabilities	1,918,321	1,820,788
Commitment and Contingencies (Note 10)		
Stockholders' equity (deficit)		
Common stock, par value of \$0.0001 per share; 1,600,000,000 shares authorized; 152,782,534 shares issued and 150,007,085 shares outstanding at June 30, 2019 and 152,692,140 shares issued and 150,142,955 shares outstanding at December 31, 2018	15	15
Preferred stock, par value of \$0.0001 per share; 20,000,000 shares authorized; 4,569,233 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018	1	1
Additional paid in capital	482,018	482,018
Less: common stock held in treasury, at cost; 2,787,147 shares at June 30, 2019 and 2,549,185 shares December 31, 2018	(10,949)	(10,342)
Equity-based compensation	47,190	41,731
Accumulated deficit	(742,616)	(678,563)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss:		
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(5,461)	(6,565)
Unrealized pension actuarial losses, net of tax	(9,269)	(9,301)
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss	(14,730)	(15,866)
Total stockholders' deficit	(239,071)	(181,006)
Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	\$ 1,679,250	\$ 1,639,782

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

Exela Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
For the Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2019 and 2018
(in thousands of United States dollars except share and per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	<u>Three Months Ended June 30,</u>		<u>Six Months Ended June 30,</u>	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Revenue	\$ 390,160	\$ 410,382	\$ 793,924	\$ 803,549
Cost of revenue (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	298,006	313,954	604,888	607,746
Selling, general and administrative expenses	51,564	46,723	101,512	92,318
Depreciation and amortization	27,191	36,368	55,211	74,386
Related party expense	1,055	1,402	2,050	2,508
Operating income	12,344	11,935	30,263	26,591
Other expense (income), net:				
Interest expense, net	39,132	38,527	78,031	76,544
Debt modification and extinguishment costs	1,404	—	1,404	—
Sundry expense (income), net	(1,493)	(2,325)	1,038	(2,389)
Other expense (income), net	2,709	(704)	4,385	(4,032)
Net loss before income taxes	(29,408)	(23,563)	(54,595)	(43,532)
Income tax (expense) benefit	(4,738)	(1,619)	(9,459)	(5,644)
Net loss	\$ (34,146)	\$ (25,182)	\$ (64,054)	\$ (49,176)
Cumulative dividends for Series A Preferred Stock	(914)	(914)	(1,828)	(1,828)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$ (35,060)	\$ (26,096)	\$ (65,882)	\$ (51,004)
Loss per share:				
Basic and diluted	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.17)	\$ (0.44)	\$ (0.34)

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Exela Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss
For the Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2019 and 2018
(in thousands of United States dollars except share and per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	<u>Three Months Ended June 30,</u>		<u>Six Months Ended June 30,</u>	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Net Loss	\$ (34,146)	\$ (25,182)	\$ (64,054)	\$ (49,176)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax				
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(2,288)	(879)	1,104	(1,147)
Unrealized pension actuarial gains (losses), net of tax	256	626	32	223
Total other comprehensive loss, net of tax	<u>\$ (36,178)</u>	<u>\$ (25,435)</u>	<u>\$ (62,918)</u>	<u>\$ (50,100)</u>

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Exela Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Deficit
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2019 and 2018
(in thousands of United States dollars except share and per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Common Stock		Preferred Stock		Treasury Stock		Additional Paid in Capital	Equity-Based Compensation	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		Accumulated Deficit	Total Stockholders' Deficit
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount			Foreign Currency Translation Adjustment	Unrealized Pension Actuarial Losses, net of tax		
Balances at January 1, 2018	150,529,151	\$ 15	6,194,233	\$ 1	49,300	\$ (249)	\$ 482,018	\$ 34,085	\$ (194)	\$ (11,054)	\$ (514,628)	\$ (10,006)
Implementation of ASU 2014-09 (Note 4)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,419)	(1,419)
Net loss January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2018	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(23,994)	(23,994)
Equity-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	959	—	—	—	959
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(268)	—	—	(268)
Net realized pension actuarial gains, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(403)	—	(403)
Preferred shares converted to common	1,986,767	—	(1,625,000)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Balances at March 31, 2018	152,515,918	\$ 15	4,569,233	\$ 1	49,300	\$ (249)	\$ 482,018	\$ 35,044	\$ (462)	\$ (11,457)	\$ (540,041)	\$ (35,131)
Net loss April 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(25,182)	(25,182)
Equity-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,936	—	—	—	1,936
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(879)	—	—	(879)
Shares repurchased	(768,693)	—	—	—	768,693	(3,479)	—	—	—	626	—	(2,853)
Balances at June 30, 2018	151,747,225	\$ 15	4,569,233	\$ 1	817,993	\$ (3,728)	\$ 482,018	\$ 36,980	\$ (1,341)	\$ (10,831)	\$ (565,222)	\$ (62,108)
	Common Stock		Preferred Stock		Treasury Stock		Additional Paid in Capital	Equity-Based Compensation	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		Accumulated Deficit	Total Stockholders' Deficit
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount			Foreign Currency Translation Adjustment	Unrealized Pension Actuarial Losses, net of tax		
Balances at January 1, 2019	150,142,955	\$ 15	4,569,233	\$ 1	2,549,185	\$(10,342)	\$ 482,018	\$ 41,731	\$ (6,565)	\$ (9,301)	\$ (678,563)	\$ (181,006)
Net loss January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(29,907)	(29,907)
Equity-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,798	—	—	—	2,798
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,392	—	—	3,392
Net realized pension actuarial gains, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(224)	—	(224)
Balances at March 31, 2019	150,142,955	\$ 15	4,569,233	\$ 1	2,549,185	\$(10,342)	\$ 482,018	\$ 44,529	\$(3,173)	\$(9,525)	\$(708,470)	\$(204,947)
Net loss April 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(34,146)	(34,146)
Equity-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,661	—	—	—	2,661
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(2,288)	—	—	(2,288)
Net realized pension actuarial gains, net of tax	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	256	—	256
RSU's vested	102,092	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shares repurchased	(237,962)	—	—	—	237,962	(607)	—	—	—	—	—	(607)
Balances at June 30, 2019	150,007,085	\$ 15	4,569,233	\$ 1	2,787,147	\$(10,949)	\$ 482,018	\$ 47,190	\$ (5,461)	\$ (9,269)	\$ (742,616)	\$ (239,071)

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Exela Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows
For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2019 and 2018
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(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2019	2018
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net loss	\$ (64,054)	\$ (49,176)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss		
Depreciation and amortization	55,211	74,386
Original issue discount and debt issuance cost amortization	5,749	5,272
Debt modification and extinguishment costs	1,049	—
Provision for doubtful accounts	3,334	1,857
Deferred income tax provision	4,623	705
Share-based compensation expense	5,459	2,895
Foreign currency remeasurement	288	(1,156)
Loss (gain) on sale of assets	(10)	1,340
Fair value adjustment for interest rate swap	4,385	(4,675)
Change in operating assets and liabilities, net of effect from acquisitions		
Accounts receivable	624	(19,813)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	1,260	(1,603)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(14,991)	40,677
Related party payables	(7,703)	(2,458)
Net cash provided by (used) in operating activities	(4,776)	48,251
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(9,072)	(10,244)
Additions to internally developed software	(4,007)	(2,115)
Additions to outsourcing contract costs	(10,440)	(3,695)
Cash paid in acquisition, net of cash received	(5,000)	(4,145)
Proceeds from sale of assets	20	1,014
Net cash used in investing activities	(28,499)	(19,185)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Third party debt modification and extinguishment costs	355	—
Repurchases of common stock	(3,480)	(3,479)
Borrowings from other loans	1,544	2,152
Cash paid for equity issue costs	—	(7,500)
Net borrowings under factoring agreement	2,426	—
Proceeds from credit facility	29,850	—
Net cash for debt issuance costs and debt discounts	(362)	—
Borrowings from revolver and swing-line loan	68,000	30,000
Repayments from revolver and swing-line loan	(68,000)	(30,000)
Principal payments on finance lease obligations	(9,180)	(8,404)
Principal payments on long-term obligations	(8,417)	(6,043)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	12,736	(23,274)
Effect of exchange rates on cash	111	(410)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(20,428)	5,382
Cash, restricted cash, and cash equivalents		
Beginning of period	43,854	81,489
End of period	\$ 23,426	\$ 86,871
Supplemental cash flow data:		
Income tax payments, net of refunds received	\$ 5,181	\$ 3,864
Interest paid	71,240	76,353
Noncash investing and financing activities:		
Assets acquired through right-of-use arrangements	6,778	7,787
Leasehold improvements funded by lessor	—	1,540
Accrued capital expenditures	1,083	1,144

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

Exela Technologies, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements
(in thousands of United States dollars except share and per share amounts or unless otherwise noted)
(Unaudited)

1. General

These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2018 included in the Exela Technologies, Inc. (the "Company," "Exela," "we," "our" or "us") annual report on Form 10-K for such period (the "2018 Form 10-K").

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared using accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Regulation S-X as they apply to interim financial information. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and notes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. These accounting principles require us to use estimates and assumptions that impact the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from our estimates.

The condensed consolidated financial statements are unaudited, but in our opinion include all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim period. The interim financial results are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for any other interim period or the fiscal year.

Net Loss per Share

Earnings per share ("EPS") is computed by dividing net loss available to holders of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share ("Common Stock") by the weighted average number of shares of Common Stock outstanding during the period, excluding the effects of any potentially dilutive securities. Diluted EPS gives effect to the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue Common Stock were exercised or converted into Common Stock, using the more dilutive of the two-class method or if-converted method in periods of earnings. The two-class method is an earnings allocation method that determines earnings per share for Common Stock and participating securities. As the Company experienced net losses for the periods presented, the impact of the Company's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series A Preferred Stock") was calculated based on the if-converted method. Diluted EPS excludes all dilutive potential of shares of Common Stock if their effect is anti-dilutive.

For the six months ended June 30, 2019 outstanding shares of the Series A Preferred Stock, if converted would have resulted in an additional 5,586,344 shares of Common Stock outstanding, but were not included in the computation of diluted loss per share as their effects were anti-dilutive.

The Company was originally incorporated July 12, 2017 as a special purpose acquisition company under the name Quinpario Acquisition Corp 2 ("Quinpario"). The Company has not included the effect of 35,000,000 warrants sold in the Quinpario Initial Public Offering ("IPO") in the calculation of net income (loss) per share. Warrants are considered anti-dilutive and excluded when the exercise price exceeds the average market value of the Company's Common Stock price during the applicable period.

	<u>Three Months Ended June 30,</u>		<u>Six Months Ended June 30,</u>	
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Net loss attributable to common stockholders (A)	\$ (35,060)	\$ (26,096)	\$ (65,882)	\$ (51,004)
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic and diluted (B)	150,036,927	152,259,589	150,089,648	152,186,473
Loss Per Share:				
Basic and diluted (A/B)	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.17)	\$ (0.44)	\$ (0.34)

2. New Accounting Pronouncements

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

Effective January 1, 2019, the Company adopted Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) no. 2016-02, *Leases (ASC 842)*. This ASU increases transparency and comparability among organizations by recognizing lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet and disclosing key information about leasing arrangements. The Company adopted this guidance effective January 1, 2019, under the modified retrospective transition method provided by ASU 2018-11 with the following practical expedients below:

- Not to record the leases with an initial term of 12 months on the balance sheet; and
- Not to reassess the (1) definition of a lease, (2) lease classification, and (3) initial direct costs for existing leases during transition.

The adoption had a material impact on the Company's unaudited consolidated balance sheets, but did not have a material impact on the Company's unaudited consolidated income statements and unaudited consolidated statements of cash flows. The most significant impact was the recognition of right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for operating leases, while the Company's accounting for finance leases remained substantially unchanged. See Note 5 for relevant disclosures.

Effective January 1, 2019, the Company adopted ASU no. 2017-11, *Earnings Per Share (Topic 260), Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity (Topic 480) and Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815): I. Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Down Round Features; II. Replacement of the Indefinite Deferral for Mandatorily Redeemable Financial Instruments of Certain Nonpublic Entities and Certain Mandatorily Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests with a Scope Exception*. Part I of this ASU addresses the complexity of accounting for certain financial instruments with down round features. Down round features are features of certain equity-linked instruments (or embedded features) that result in the strike price being reduced on the basis of the pricing of future equity offerings. Current accounting guidance creates cost and complexity for entities that issue financial instruments (such as warrants and convertible instruments) with down round features that require fair value measurement of the entire instrument or conversion option. Part II of this ASU addresses the difficulty of navigating Topic 480, Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity, because of the existence of extensive pending content in the FASB Accounting Standards Codification. This pending content is the result of the indefinite deferral of accounting requirements about mandatorily redeemable financial instruments of certain nonpublic entities and certain mandatorily redeemable noncontrolling interests. The amendments in Part II of this update do not have an accounting effect. The adoption had no impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019.

Effective January 1, 2019, the Company adopted ASU no. 2017-12, *Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815): Targeted Improvements to Accounting for Hedging Activities*. The amendments in this ASU better align the risk management activities and financial reporting for these hedging relationships through changes to both the designation and measurement guidance for qualifying hedging relationships and presentation of hedge results. The adoption had no impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019.

Effective January 1, 2019, the Company adopted ASU no. 2018-02, *Income Statement—Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*. The amendments in this ASU address a narrow-scope financial reporting issue related to the tax effects that may become “stranded” in accumulated other comprehensive income (“AOCI”) as a result of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (“TCJA”). An entity may elect to reclassify the income tax effects of the TCJA on items within AOCI to retained earnings. The adoption had no impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019.

Effective January 1, 2019, the Company adopted ASU no. 2018-07, *Compensation—Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Nonemployee Share-Based Payment Accounting* to amend the accounting for share-based payment awards issued to nonemployees. Under the revised guidance, the accounting for awards issued to nonemployees will be

similar to the model for employee awards, except the ASU allows an entity to elect on an award-by-award basis to use the contractual term as the expected term assumption in the option pricing model, and the cost of the grant is recognized in the same period(s) and in the same manner as if the grantor had paid cash. The adoption had no impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019.

Recently Issued 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*, to replace the incurred loss impairment methodology under current GAAP with a methodology that reflects expected credit losses and requires consideration of a broader range of reasonable and supportable information to inform credit loss estimates. The Company will be required to use a forward-looking expected credit loss model for accounts receivables, loans, and other financial instruments. Credit losses relating to available-for-sale debt securities will also be recorded through an allowance for credit losses rather than as a reduction in the amortized cost basis of the securities. The standard will be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Adoption of the standard will be applied using a modified retrospective approach through a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the effective date. The Company is currently in the early stages of evaluating the impact that adopting this standard will have on the consolidated financial statements.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU no. 2018-13, *Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820)*; which changes the fair value measurement disclosure requirements of ASC 820. The amendments in this ASU are the result of a broader disclosure project called FASB Concepts Statement, Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting. The FASB used the guidance in the Concepts Statement to improve the effectiveness of ASC 820's disclosure requirements. The objective of the disclosure requirements in this subtopic is to provide users of financial statements with information about assets and liabilities measured at fair value in the statement of financial position or disclosed in the notes to financial statements. The ASU includes but is not limited to the valuation techniques and inputs that a reporting entity uses to arrive at its measures of fair value, including judgments and assumptions that the entity makes, the uncertainty in the fair value measurements as of the reporting date, and how changes in fair value measurements affect an entity's performance and cash flows. The ASU is effective for all entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods therein. Early adoption is permitted for any eliminated or modified disclosures upon issuance of this ASU. The Company is currently in the early stages of evaluating the impact that adopting this standard will have on the consolidated financial statements.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU no. 2018-15, *Intangibles, Goodwill, and Other - Internal Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's accounting for implementation costs incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement that is a service contract*. The amendments align the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred in a hosting arrangement that is a service contract with the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred to develop or obtain internal-use software (and hosting arrangements that include an internal-use software license). Accordingly, the amendments require an entity (customer) in a hosting arrangement that is a service contract to follow the guidance in Subtopic 350-40 to determine which implementation costs to capitalize as an asset related to the service contract and which costs to expense. The amendments also require the entity (customer) to expense the capitalized implementation costs of a hosting arrangement that is a service contract over the term of the hosting arrangement, which includes reasonably certain renewals. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company is currently in the early stages of evaluating the impact that adopting this standard will have on the consolidated financial statements.

3. Business Combinations

Asterion

On April 10, 2018, Exela completed the acquisition of Asterion International Group ("Asterion," the "Asterion Business Combination"), a well-established provider of technology driven business process outsourcing, document management

and business process automation across Europe. The purchase price was approximately \$19.5 million. The acquisition comes with minimal customer overlap and is strategic to expanding Exela's European business.

The acquired assets and assumed liabilities of Asterion were recorded at their estimated fair values. The following table summarizes the consideration paid for Asterion and the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date on April 10, 2018:

Assets Acquired:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,595
Accounts receivable	25,740
Other current assets	2,282
Inventories, net	1,137
Property, plant, and equipment, net	4,747
Deferred income tax assets	6,316
Other noncurrent assets	522
Intangible assets, net	3,525
Goodwill	1,493
Total identifiable assets acquired	<u>\$ 51,357</u>
Liabilities Assumed:	
Accounts payable	\$ (5,596)
Income tax payable	(5)
Accrued liabilities	(6,593)
Accrued compensation and benefits	(7,079)
Deferred revenue	(880)
Current portion of long term debt	(994)
Customer deposits	(462)
Pension liability	(7,135)
Other long-term liabilities	(1,324)
Deferred income tax liabilities	(1,171)
Capital lease obligations, net of current maturities	(650)
Total liabilities assumed	<u>\$ (31,889)</u>
Total Consideration	<u>\$ 19,468</u>

The majority of identifiable intangible assets consisted of customer relationships. Customer relationships were valued using the Income Approach, specifically the Multi-Period Excess Earnings method. This intangible acquired represents a Level 3 measurement as it is based on unobservable inputs reflecting management's own assumptions about the inputs used in pricing the asset at fair value.

	<u>Weighted Average Useful Life (in years)</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Customer Relationships	9.5	\$ 3,516

Through the acquisition of Asterion, the Company expects to leverage brand awareness, strengthen margins, and expand the existing Asterion sales channels. These factors, among others, contributed to a purchase price in excess of the estimated fair value of Asterion's identifiable net assets assumed, and as a result, the Company has recorded goodwill in connection with this acquisition. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 the Company recognized \$17.7 million and \$39.8 million in revenue related to Asterion in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

4. Significant Accounting Policies

The information presented below supplements the Significant Accounting Policies information presented in our 2018 Form 10-K, including Revenue Recognition for the adoption of ASC 606 (ASU 2014-09: Revenue from Contracts with

Customers), which became effective January 1, 2018. See our 2018 Form 10-K for a description of our significant accounting policies in effect prior to the adoption of the new accounting standard.

Revenue Recognition

We account for revenue in accordance with ASC 606. A performance obligation is a promise in a contract to transfer a distinct good or service to the customer, and is the unit of account in ASC 606. Revenue is measured as the amount of consideration we expect to receive in exchange for transferring goods or providing services. The contract transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation and recognized as revenue when, or as, the performance obligation is satisfied. All of our material sources of revenue are derived from contracts with customers, primarily related to the provision of business and transaction processing services within each of our segments. We do not have any significant extended payment terms, as payment is received shortly after goods are delivered or services are provided.

Nature of Services

Our primary performance obligations are to stand ready to provide various forms of business processing services, consisting of a series of distinct services that are substantially the same and have the same pattern of transfer over time, and accordingly are combined into a single performance obligation. Our promise to our customers is typically to perform an unknown or unspecified quantity of tasks and the consideration received is contingent upon the customers' use (i.e., number of transactions processed, requests fulfilled, etc.); as such, the total transaction price is variable. We allocate the variable fees to the single performance obligation charged to the distinct service period in which we have the contractual right to bill under the contract.

Disaggregation of Revenues

The following tables disaggregate revenue from contracts by geographic region and by segment for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018:

	Three Months Ended June 30,					
	2019			2018		
	ITPS	HS	LLPS	ITPS	HS	LLPS
United States	\$ 238,538	\$ 63,440	\$ 17,568	\$ 264,864	\$ 56,314	\$ 23,936
Europe	63,823	—	—	58,357	—	—
Other	6,791	—	—	6,911	—	—
Total	\$ 309,152	\$ 63,440	\$ 17,568	\$ 330,132	\$ 56,314	\$ 23,936

	Six Months Ended June 30,					
	2019			2018		
	ITPS	HS	LLPS	ITPS	HS	LLPS
United States	\$ 489,445	\$ 124,783	\$ 35,410	\$ 534,815	\$ 114,946	\$ 46,535
Europe	130,501	—	—	93,640	—	—
Other	13,785	—	—	13,613	—	—
Total	\$ 633,731	\$ 124,783	\$ 35,410	\$ 642,068	\$ 114,946	\$ 46,535

Contract Balances

The following table presents contract assets and contract liabilities recognized at June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018:

	<u>June 30,</u> <u>2019</u>	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2018</u>
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 266,660	\$ 270,812
Deferred revenues	19,810	16,940
Costs to obtain and fulfill a contract	24,005	18,624
Customer deposits	28,914	34,235

Accounts receivable, net includes \$38.8 million and \$39.5 million as of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, respectively, representing amounts not billed to customers. We have accrued the unbilled receivables for work performed in accordance with the terms of contracts with customers.

Deferred revenues relate to payments received in advance of performance under a contract. A significant portion of this balance relates to maintenance contracts or other service contracts where we received payments for upfront conversions or implementation activities which do not transfer a service to the customer but rather are used in fulfilling the related performance obligations that transfer over time. The advance consideration received from customers is deferred over the contract term. We recognized revenue of \$10.6 million during the six months ended June 30, 2019 that had been deferred as of December 31, 2018.

Costs incurred to obtain and fulfill contracts are deferred and expensed on a straight-line basis over the estimated benefit period. We recognized \$4.8 million of amortization for these costs in the first six months of 2019 within depreciation and amortization expense. These costs represent incremental external costs or certain specific internal costs that are directly related to the contract acquisition or transition activities and can be separated into two principal categories: contract commissions and transition/set-up costs. Examples of such capitalized costs include hourly labor and related fringe benefits and travel costs. Applying the practical expedient in ASC 340-40-25-4, we recognize the incremental costs of obtaining contracts as an expense when incurred if the amortization period would have been one year or less. These costs are included in Selling, general and administrative expenses. The effect of applying this practical expedient was not material.

Customer deposits consist primarily of amounts received from customers in advance for postage. The majority of the amounts recorded as of December 31, 2018 were used to pay for postage with the corresponding postage revenue being recognized during the six months ended June 30, 2019.

Performance Obligations

At the inception of each contract, we assess the goods and services promised in our contracts and identify each distinct performance obligation. The majority of our contracts have a single performance obligation, as the promise to transfer the individual goods or services is not separately identifiable from other promises in the contracts. For the majority of our business and transaction processing service contracts, revenues are recognized as services are provided based on an appropriate input or output method, typically based on the related labor or transactional volumes.

Certain of our contracts have multiple performance obligations, including contracts that combine software implementation services with post-implementation customer support. For contracts with multiple performance obligations, we allocate the contract's transaction price to each performance obligation using our best estimate of the standalone selling price of each distinct good or service in the contract. The primary method used to estimate standalone selling price is the expected cost plus a margin approach, under which we estimate our expected costs of satisfying a performance obligation and add an appropriate margin for that distinct good or service. We also use the adjusted market approach whereby we estimate the price that customers in the market would be willing to pay. In assessing whether to allocate variable consideration to a specific part of the contract, we consider the nature of the variable payment and

whether it relates specifically to its efforts to satisfy a specific part of the contract. Certain of our software implementation performance obligations are satisfied at a point in time, typically when customer acceptance is obtained.

When evaluating the transaction price, we analyze, on a contract-by-contract basis, all applicable variable consideration. The nature of our contracts give rise to variable consideration, including volume discounts, contract penalties, and other similar items that generally decrease the transaction price. We estimate these amounts based on the expected amount to be provided to customers and reduce revenues recognized. We do not anticipate significant changes to our estimates of variable consideration.

We include reimbursements from customers, such as postage costs, in revenue, while the related costs are included in cost of revenue.

Transaction Price Allocated to the Remaining Performance Obligations

In accordance with optional exemptions available under ASC 606, we did not disclose the value of unsatisfied performance obligations for (1) contracts with an original expected length of one year or less, and (2) contracts for which variable consideration relates entirely to an unsatisfied performance obligation, which comprise the majority of our contracts. We have certain non-cancellable contracts where we receive a fixed monthly fee in exchange for a series of distinct services that are substantially the same and have the same pattern of transfer over time, with the corresponding remaining performance obligations as of June 30, 2019 in each of the future periods below:

Estimated Remaining Fixed Consideration for Unsatisfied Performance Obligations	
Remainder of 2019	\$ 21,296
2020	26,593
2021	17,008
2022	7,518
2023	2,651
2024 and thereafter	877
Total	<u>\$ 75,943</u>

5. Leases

The following table summarizes the impact of the changes made to the January 1, 2019 consolidated balance sheet for the adoption of the new accounting standard pertaining to leases. The prior periods have not been restated and have been reported under the accounting standard in effect for those periods.

	<u>Balance at December 31, 2018</u>	<u>Impact of Lease Standard</u>	<u>Balance at January 1, 2019</u>
Total assets	\$ 1,639,782	\$ 102,651	\$ 1,742,433
Total current liabilities	432,722	25,304	458,026
Total long-term liabilities	1,820,788	79,703	1,900,491

The increase in total assets and total liabilities at June 30, 2019 from December 31, 2018 was primarily due to the impact from the adoption of the new accounting standard pertaining to lease arrangements. See Note 2 for additional information on the impact of the adoption of this standard.

The Company determines if a contract is, or contains, a lease at contract inception. Operating leases are included in operating lease right-of-use ("ROU") assets, current portion of operating lease liabilities and operating lease liabilities, net of current portion in the Company's unaudited consolidated balance sheets. Finance leases are included in property and

equipment, current portion of finance lease obligations and finance lease obligations, net of current portion in the Company's unaudited consolidated balance sheets.

ROU assets represent the right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent the obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. ROU assets and lease liabilities are recognized at the commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. In addition, ROU assets include initial direct costs incurred by the lessee as well as any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, and exclude lease incentives. As most of the Company's leases do not provide an implicit rate, the Company uses its incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments. Lease terms include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the Company will exercise that option. Leases with a term of one year or less are generally not included in ROU assets and liabilities.

Operating lease ROU assets and operating lease liabilities are recorded on the consolidated balance sheet as follows:

	<u>June 30,</u> <u>2019</u>
<i>Balance sheet location:</i>	
Operating Lease	
Operating lease right-of-use asset, net	\$ 96,498
Current portion of operating lease liability	27,444
Operating lease liability, net of current portion	74,290
Finance Lease	
Finance lease right-of-use asset, net (included in property, plant and equipment, net)	28,750
Current portion of finance lease liability	15,897
Finance lease obligations, net of current portion	25,772

As of June 30, 2019, weighted-average remaining lease term of operating leases and finance leases was 4.84 years and 3.13 years, respectively. The weighted-average discount rate for operating leases and finance leases was 10.19% and 8.43%, respectively.

The interest on financing lease liabilities for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 was \$0.8 million and \$1.6 million, respectively. The amortization expense on finance lease right-of-use assets for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 was \$3.7 and \$7.1 million, respectively.

The following table summarizes maturities of finance and operating lease liabilities based on lease term as of June 30, 2019:

	<u>Finance</u> <u>Leases</u>	<u>Operating</u> <u>Leases</u>
Remainder of 2019	\$ 14,306	\$ 13,862
2020	11,203	25,181
2021	9,043	19,459
2022	3,986	15,188
2023	2,240	11,069
2024 and thereafter	3,557	19,878
Total lease payments	<u>44,335</u>	<u>104,637</u>
Less: Imputed interest	2,666	2,903
Present value of lease liabilities	<u>\$ 41,669</u>	<u>\$ 101,734</u>

At December 31, 2018, the Company had the following future minimum payments due under non-cancelable leases:

	Finance Leases	Operating Leases
2019	\$ 20,080	\$ 38,057
2020	11,851	29,346
2021	9,018	22,239
2022	4,169	16,782
2023	2,244	12,302
2024 and thereafter	3,617	18,874
Total minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 50,979</u>	<u>\$ 137,600</u>
Less: imputed interest	6,743	
Total net minimum lease payments	<u>44,236</u>	
Less: Current portion of obligations under finance leases	17,498	
Long-term portion of obligations under finance leases	<u>\$ 26,738</u>	

Consolidated rental expense for all operating leases was \$83.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. Consolidated rental expense for all operating leases was \$18.5 million and \$37.4 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019, respectively.

The following table summarizes the cash paid and related right-of-use operating finance or operating lease recognized for the six months ended June 30, 2019.

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2019	Six Months Ended June 30, 2019
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:		
Operating cash flows from finance leases	-	-
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 9,873	\$ 19,247
Financing cash flows from finance leases	4,103	9,180
Right-of-use lease assets obtained in the exchange for lease liabilities:		
Operating leases	211	3,115
Finance leases	2,682	6,778

6. Intangibles Assets and Goodwill

Intangible Assets

Intangible assets are stated at cost or acquisition-date fair value less accumulated amortization and consists of the following:

	June 30, 2019		
	Gross Carrying Amount (a)	Amortization	Intangible Asset, net
Customer relationships	\$ 508,086	\$ (214,999)	\$ 293,087
Developed technology	89,053	(86,809)	2,244
Trade names (b)	9,400	(3,100)	6,300
Outsource contract costs	57,098	(32,970)	24,128
Internally developed software	40,984	(8,748)	32,236
Trademarks	23,379	(23,370)	9
Non compete agreements	1,350	(1,350)	—
Assembled workforce	4,473	(559)	3,914
Purchased software	26,749	(892)	25,857
Intangibles, net	<u>\$ 760,572</u>	<u>\$ (372,797)</u>	<u>\$ 387,775</u>

	December 31, 2018		
	Gross Carrying Amount (a)	Amortization	Intangible Asset, net
Customer relationships	\$ 507,905	\$ (190,666)	\$ 317,239
Developed technology	89,053	(85,967)	3,086
Trade names (b)	9,400	(3,100)	6,300
Outsource contract costs	46,342	(27,719)	18,623
Internally developed software	36,820	(6,278)	30,542
Trademarks	23,379	(23,370)	9
Non compete agreements	1,350	(1,350)	—
Assembled workforce	4,473	—	4,473
Purchased software	26,749	—	26,749
Intangibles, net	<u>\$ 745,471</u>	<u>\$ (338,450)</u>	<u>\$ 407,021</u>

(a) Amounts include intangible assets acquired in business combinations.

(b) The carrying amount of trade names for 2019 and 2018 is net of accumulated impairment losses of \$43.1 million, of which \$3.7 million was recognized in 2018.

Goodwill

The Company's operating segments are significant strategic business units that align its products and services with how it manages its business, approach the markets and interacts with its clients. The Company is organized into three segments: ITPS, HS, and LLPS. (See Note 15).

Goodwill by reporting segment consists of the following:

	Goodwill	Additions	Reductions	Currency Translation Adjustments	Goodwill (a)
ITPS	\$ 566,215	\$ 5,580 (c)		\$ (220)	\$ 571,575
HS	86,786				86,786
LLPS	94,324		(44,427)(b)		49,897
Balance as of December 31, 2018	<u>\$ 747,325</u>	<u>\$ 5,580</u>	<u>\$ (44,427)</u>	<u>\$ (220)</u>	<u>\$ 708,258</u>
ITPS	571,575			(12)	571,563
HS	86,786				86,786
LLPS	49,897				49,897
Balance as of June 30, 2019	<u>\$ 708,258</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (12)</u>	<u>\$ 708,246</u>

(a) The goodwill amount for all periods presented is net of accumulated impairment losses of \$137.9 million.

(b) The reduction in goodwill is due to \$44.4 million, including taxes, for impairment recorded in the fourth quarter of 2018.

(c) Addition to goodwill due to the acquisition of Asterion and immaterial acquisitions in the third and fourth quarters of 2018.

7. Long-Term Debt and Credit Facilities

Senior Secured Notes

On July 12, 2017, the Company issued \$1.0 billion in aggregate principal amount of 10.0% First Priority Senior Secured Notes due 2023 with an original issue discount ("OID") of \$22.5 million (the "Notes"). The Notes are guaranteed by certain subsidiaries of the Company. The Notes bear interest at a rate of 10.0% per year. The Company pays interest on the Notes on January 15 and July 15 of each year, commencing on January 15, 2018. The Notes will mature on July 15, 2023.

Senior Credit Facilities

On July 12, 2017, the Company entered into a First Lien Credit Agreement with Royal Bank of Canada, Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch, Natixis, New York Branch and KKR Corporate Lending LLC (the "Credit Agreement") providing Exela Intermediate LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Credit Agreement, a (i) \$350.0 million senior secured term loan maturing July 12, 2023 with an OID of \$7.0 million, and (ii) a \$100.0 million senior secured revolving facility maturing July 12, 2022. As of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, the Company had outstanding irrevocable letters of credit totaling approximately \$21.0 million and \$20.6 million, respectively, under the senior secured revolving facility.

The Credit Agreement provides for the following interest rates for borrowings under the senior secured term facility and senior secured revolving facility: at the Company's option, either (1) an adjusted LIBOR, subject to a 1.0% floor in the case of term loans, or (2) a base rate, in each case plus an applicable margin. The initial applicable margin for the senior secured term facility is 7.5% with respect to LIBOR borrowings and 6.5% with respect to base rate borrowings. The initial applicable margin for the senior secured revolving facility is 7.0% with respect to LIBOR borrowings and 6.0% with respect to base rate borrowings. The applicable margin for borrowings under the senior secured revolving facility is subject to step-downs based on leverage ratios. The senior secured term loan is subject to amortization payments, commencing on the last day of the first full fiscal quarter of the Company following the closing date, of 0.6% of the aggregate principal amount for each of the first eight payments and 1.3% of the aggregate principal amount for payments thereafter, with any balance due at maturity.

Term Loan Repricing

On July 13, 2018, Exela successfully repriced the \$343.4 million of term loans outstanding under its senior secured credit facilities (the "Repricing"). The Repricing was accomplished pursuant to a First Amendment to First Lien Credit Agreement (the "First Amendment"), dated as of July 13, 2018, by and among the Company's subsidiaries Exela Intermediate Holdings LLC, Exela Intermediate, LLC, each "Subsidiary Loan Party" listed on the signature pages thereto, Royal Bank of Canada, as administrative agent, and each of the lenders party thereto, whereby the Company borrowed \$343.4 million of refinancing term loans (the "Repricing Term Loans") to refinance the Company's existing senior secured term loans.

In accordance with ASC 470 -- Debt -- Modifications and Extinguishments, as a result of certain lenders that participated in Exela's debt structure prior to the Repricing and Exela's debt structure after the Repricing, it was determined that a portion of the refinancing of Exela's senior secured credit facilities would be accounted for as a debt modification, and the remaining would be accounted for as an extinguishment. The Company incurred \$1.0 million in new debt issuance costs related to the refinancing, of which \$1.0 million was expensed pursuant to modification accounting. The proportion of debt that was extinguished resulted in a write off of previously recognized debt issue costs of \$0.1 million. Additionally, for the new lenders who exceeded the 10% test, less than \$0.1 million was recorded as additional debt issue costs. All unamortized costs and discounts will be amortized over the life of the new term loan using the effective interest rate of the term loan.

The Repricing Term Loans will bear interest at a rate per annum of, at the Company's option, either (a) a LIBOR rate determined by reference to the costs of funds for Eurodollar deposits for the interest period relevant to such borrowing, adjusted for certain additional costs, subject to a 1.00% floor, or (b) a base rate determined by reference to the highest of (i) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (ii) the prime rate and (iii) the one-month adjusted LIBOR plus 1.00%, in each case plus an applicable margin of 6.50% for LIBOR loans and 5.50% for base rate loans. The interest rates applicable to the Repricing Term Loans are 100 basis points lower than the interest rates applicable to the existing senior secured term loans that were incurred on July 12, 2017 pursuant to the Credit Agreement. The Repricing Term Loans will mature on July 12, 2023, the same maturity date as the existing senior secured term loans.

2018 Incremental Term Loans

On July 13, 2018, the Company successfully borrowed an additional \$30.0 million pursuant to incremental term loans (the "2018 Incremental Term Loans") under the First Amendment. The proceeds of the 2018 Incremental Term Loans

were used by the Company for general corporate purposes and to pay fees and expenses in connection with the First Amendment. The interest rates applicable to the Incremental Term Loans are the same as those for the Repricing Term Loans.

The Company may voluntarily repay the Repricing Term Loans and the 2018 Incremental Term Loans (collectively, the “Term Loans”) at any time, without prepayment premium or penalty, except in connection with a repricing event as described in the following sentence, subject to customary “breakage” costs with respect to LIBOR rate loans. Any refinancing of the Term Loans through the issuance of certain debt or any repricing amendment, in either case, that constitutes a “repricing event” applicable to the Term Loans resulting in a lower yield occurring at any time during the first six months after July 13, 2018 will be accompanied by a 1.00% prepayment premium or fee, as applicable.

Other than as described above, the terms, conditions and covenants applicable to the Repricing Term Loans and the 2018 Incremental Term Loans are consistent with the terms, conditions and covenants that were applicable to the existing senior secured term loans under the Credit Agreement. The Repricing and issuance of the 2018 Incremental Term Loans resulted in a partial debt extinguishment, for which Exela recognized \$1.1 million in debt extinguishment costs in the third quarter of 2018.

2019 Incremental Term Loan

On April 16, 2019, the Company successfully borrowed an additional \$30.0 million pursuant to incremental term loans (the “2019 Incremental Term Loans”) under the Second Amendment to First Lien Credit Agreement (the “Second Amendment”). The proceeds of the 2019 Incremental Term Loans were used to replace the cash spent for acquisitions, pay related fees, expenses and related borrowings and for general corporate purposes.

The 2019 Incremental Term Loans will bear interest at a rate per annum that is the same as the Company’s existing Term Loans under the senior credit facility. The 2019 Incremental Term Loans will mature on July 12, 2023, the same maturity date as the Term Loans.

The Company may voluntarily repay the 2019 Incremental Term Loans at any time, without prepayment premium or penalty, subject to customary “breakage” costs with respect to LIBOR rate loans.

Other than as described above, the terms, conditions and covenants applicable to the 2019 Incremental Term Loans are consistent with the terms, conditions and covenants that are applicable to the Repricing Term Loans and 2018 Incremental Term Loans under the Credit Agreement and which are described in the registrant’s Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 18, 2017 and July 17, 2018. The Repricing and issuance of the 2018 and 2019 Incremental Term Loans resulted in a partial debt extinguishment, for which Exela recognized \$1.4 million in debt extinguishment costs in the second quarter of 2019.

Long-Term Debt Outstanding

As of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, the following long-term debt instruments were outstanding:

	<u>June 30,</u> <u>2019</u>	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2018</u>
Other (a)	\$ 29,144	\$ 25,321
First lien credit agreement (b)	365,013	335,896
Senior secured notes (c)	976,670	974,443
Total debt	<u>1,370,827</u>	<u>1,335,660</u>
Less: Current portion of long-term debt	<u>(38,929)</u>	<u>(29,237)</u>
Long-term debt, net of current maturities	<u>\$ 1,331,898</u>	<u>\$ 1,306,423</u>

(a) Other debt represents the Company’s outstanding loan balances associated with various hardware and software purchases along with loans entered into by subsidiaries of the Company.

- (b) Net of unamortized original issue discount and debt issuance costs of \$7.4 million and \$21.4 million as of June 30, 2019 and \$8.3 million and \$24.5 million as of December 31, 2018.
- (c) Net of unamortized debt discount and debt issuance costs of \$16.7 million and \$6.7 million as of June 30, 2019 and \$18.2 million and \$7.3 million as of December 31, 2018.

8. Income Taxes

The Company applies an estimated annual effective tax rate (“ETR”) approach for calculating a tax provision for interim periods, as required under GAAP. The Company recorded an income tax expense of \$4.7 million and \$1.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company recorded an income tax expense of \$9.5 million and \$5.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

The Company’s ETR of (16.1%) and (17.3%) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 differed from the expected U.S. statutory tax rate of 21.0% and was primarily impacted by permanent tax adjustments, state and local current expense, foreign operations, and valuation allowances, including valuation allowances on a portion of the Company’s deferred tax assets on U.S. disallowed interest expense carryforward’s created by the provisions of the TCJA.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, the Company’s ETR of (6.9%) and (13.0%) differed from the expected U.S. statutory tax rate of 21.0%, and was primarily impacted by permanent tax adjustments, state and local current expense, foreign operations, and valuation allowances, including valuation allowances on a portion of the Company’s U.S. disallowed interest expense carryforward’s created by the provisions of the TCJA.

As of June 30, 2019, there were no material changes to either the nature or the amounts of the uncertain tax positions previously determined for the year ended December 31, 2018. The Company’s valuation allowances have increased by approximately \$14.7 million from December 31, 2018 to June 30, 2019 due largely to effects of TCJA relating to interest expense.

9. Employee Benefit Plans

German Pension Plan

The Company’s subsidiary in Germany provides pension benefits to certain retirees. Employees eligible for participation include all employees who started working for the Company prior to September 30, 1987 and have finished a qualifying period of at least 10 years. The Company accrues the cost of these benefits over the service lives of the covered employees based on an actuarial calculation. The Company uses a December 31 measurement date for this plan. The German pension plan is an unfunded plan and therefore has no plan assets.

U.K. Pension Plan

The Company’s subsidiary in the United Kingdom provides pension benefits to certain retirees and eligible dependents. Employees eligible for participation included all full-time regular employees who were more than three years from retirement prior to October 2001. A retirement pension or a lump-sum payment may be paid dependent upon length of service at the mandatory retirement age. The Company accrues the cost of these benefits over the service lives of the covered employees based on an actuarial calculation. The Company uses a December 31 measurement date for this plan.

Norway Pension Plan

The Company’s subsidiary in Norway provides pension benefits to eligible retirees and eligible dependents. Employees eligible for participation include all employees who were more than three years from retirement prior to March 2018. The Company accrues the cost of these benefits over the service lives of the covered employees based on an actuarial calculation. The Company uses a December 31 measurement date for this plan.

Asterion Pension Plan

The Company acquired certain pension benefit obligations to eligible retirees and eligible dependents in 2018 pursuant to the Asterion Business Combination. Employees eligible for participation included all full-time regular employees who were more than three years from retirement prior to July 2003. A retirement pension or a lump-sum payment may be paid dependent upon length of service at the mandatory retirement age. The Company accrues the cost of these benefits over the service lives of the covered employees based on an actuarial calculation. As there are no active employees for this plan there are no earned pension entitlements and actuarial assumptions are only measured when assumptions are changed.

Tax Effect on Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

As of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018 the Company recorded actuarial losses of \$9.3 million in accumulated other comprehensive loss on the condensed consolidated balance sheets, respectively, which is net of a deferred tax benefit of \$2.1 million.

Pension Expense

The components of the net periodic benefit cost are as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Service cost	\$ 23	\$ 158	\$ 46	\$ 160
Interest cost	602	638	1,203	1,149
Expected return on plan assets	(622)	(804)	(1,244)	(1,429)
Amortization:				
Amortization of prior service cost	26	(31)	52	(63)
Amortization of net (gain) loss	413	403	826	807
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 442	\$ 364	\$ 883	\$ 624

Upon adopting ASU no. 2017-07 as described in Note 2, the Company now records pension interest cost within Interest expense, net. Expected return on plan assets, amortization of prior service costs, and amortization of net losses are recorded within Other income, net. Service cost is recorded within Cost of revenue.

Employer Contributions

The Company's funding of employer contributions is based on governmental requirements and differs from those methods used to recognize pension expense. The Company made contributions of \$1.5 million and \$1.2 million to its pension plans during the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company has funded the pension plans with the required contributions for 2019 based on current plan provisions.

10. Commitments and Contingencies**Appraisal Demand**

On September 21, 2017, former stockholders of SourceHOV Holdings, Inc. ("SourceHOV"), who allege combined ownership of 10,304 shares of SourceHOV common stock, filed a petition for appraisal pursuant to 8 Del. C. § 262 in the Delaware Court of Chancery, captioned Manichaeon Capital, LLC, et al. v. SourceHOV Holdings, Inc., C.A. No. 2017-0673-JRS (the "Appraisal Action"). The Appraisal Action arises out of the acquisition of SourceHOV and Novitex Holdings, Inc., by Quinpario in July 2017 ("Novitex Business Combination"), which gave rise to appraisal rights pursuant to 8 Del. C. § 262. In the Appraisal Action, the petitioners seek, among other things, a determination of the fair value of their SourceHOV shares at the time of the Novitex Business Combination.

On October 12, 2017, SourceHOV filed its answer to the petition and a verified list pursuant to 8 Del. C. § 262(f). The Court conducted a trial in June 2019 and has scheduled post-trial argument for October 2019. The parties and their experts have offered competing valuations of the SourceHOV shares as of the date of the Novitex Business Combination. The Court may determine a fair value that is above or below the values indicated by the parties and their experts. At this stage of the litigation, the Company is unable to predict the outcome of the Appraisal Action or estimate what the Court will determine the fair value of SourceHOV common stock to be as of the date of the Novitex Business Combination.

As a result of the Appraisal Action, 4,570,734 shares of our Common Stock issued to Ex-Sigma 2 LLC, our principal stockholder, will be forfeited at such time as the PIPE Financing (as defined in and pursuant to the terms of the Consent, Waiver and Amendment, dated June 15, 2017) is repaid. The Company continues to vigorously defend the Appraisal Action.

11. Fair Value Measurement

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value

The carrying amount of assets and liabilities including cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximated their fair value as of June 30, 2019, and December 31, 2018, due to the relative short maturity of these instruments. Management estimates the fair values of the secured term loan and secured notes at approximately 84.8% and 81.0% respectively, of the respective principal balance outstanding as of June 30, 2019. The carrying value approximates the fair value for the long-term debt. Other debt represents the Company's outstanding loan balances associated with various hardware and software purchases along with loans entered into by subsidiaries of the Company and as such, the cost incurred would approximate fair value. Property and equipment, intangible assets, capital lease obligations, and goodwill are not required to be re-measured to fair value on a recurring basis. These assets are evaluated for impairment if certain triggering events occur. If such evaluation indicates that impairment exists, the respective asset is written down to its fair value.

The Company determined the fair value of its long-term debt using Level 2 inputs including the recent issue of the debt, the Company's credit rating, and the current risk-free rate. The Company's contingent liabilities related to prior acquisitions are re-measured each period and represent a Level 2 measurement as it is based on using an earn out method based on the agreement terms.

The following table provides the carrying amounts and estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments as of June 30, 2019, and December 31, 2018. The Company did not perform an independent valuation for the measurement of goodwill for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019; however, the Company has elected to include the amount below which is adjusted for currency translation. (See Note 6).

As of June 30, 2019	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Fair Value Measurements		
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Recurring assets and liabilities:					
Long-term debt	\$ 1,331,898	\$ 1,133,899	\$ —	\$ 1,133,899	\$ —
Interest rate swap liability	549	549	—	549	—
Goodwill	708,246	708,246	—	—	708,246
Nonrecurring assets and liabilities:					
Acquisition contingent liability	\$ 721	\$ 721	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 721

As of December 31, 2018	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Fair Value Measurements		
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Recurring assets and liabilities:					
Long-term debt	\$ 1,306,423	\$ 1,316,306	\$ —	\$ 1,316,306	\$ —
Interest rate swap	3,836	3,836	—	3,836	—
Goodwill	708,258	708,258	—	—	708,258
Nonrecurring assets and liabilities:					
Acquisition contingent liability	\$ 721	\$ 721	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 721

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value of the Company's acquisition contingent liability are the discount rate, growth assumptions, and revenue thresholds. Significant increases (decreases) in the discount rate would have resulted in a lower (higher) fair value measurement. Significant increases (decreases) in the forecasted financial information would have resulted in a higher (lower) fair value measurement. For all significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Level 3 liabilities, a change in one of the inputs would not necessarily result in a directionally similar change in the other based on the current level of billings.

The following table reconciles the beginning and ending balances of net assets and liabilities classified as Level 3 for which a reconciliation is required:

	June 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
Balance as of Beginning of Period	\$ 721	\$ 721
Payments/Reductions	—	—
Balance as of End of Period	\$ 721	\$ 721

12. Stock-Based Compensation

At closing of the Novitex Business Combination, SourceHOV had 24,535 restricted stock units ("RSUs") outstanding under its 2013 Long Term Incentive Plan ("2013 Plan"). Simultaneous with the closing of the Novitex Business Combination, the 2013 Plan, as well as all vested and unvested RSUs under the 2013 Plan, were assumed by Ex-Sigma 2 LLC ("ExSigma"), an entity formed by the former SourceHOV equity holders, which is also the Company's principal stockholder. In accordance with GAAP, the Company continues to incur compensation expense related to the 9,880 unvested RSUs as of July 12, 2017 on a straight-line basis until fully vested, as the recipients of the RSUs are employees of the Company. Subject to continuous employment and other terms of the 2013 Plan, all remaining unvested RSUs with an initial vesting period of three or four years vested in April 2019. As of June 30, 2019, because all shares vested in April 2019, there are no nonvested shares related to the 2013 Plan.

Exela 2018 Stock Incentive Plan

On January 17, 2018, Exela's 2018 Stock Incentive Plan (the "2018 Plan") became effective. The 2018 Plan provides for the grant of incentive and nonqualified stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units, stock appreciation rights, performance awards, and other stock-based compensation to eligible participants. The Company is authorized to issue up to 8,323,764 shares of Common Stock under the 2018 Plan.

Restricted Stock Unit Grants

Restricted stock unit awards generally vest ratably over a one to two year period. Restricted stock units are subject to forfeiture if employment terminates prior to vesting and are expensed ratably over the vesting period.

A summary of the status of restricted stock units related to the 2018 Plan as of June 30, 2019 is presented as follows:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Balance as of December 31, 2018	893,297	\$ 5.86	0.76	\$ 5,239
Shares granted	153,190		—	—
Shares forfeited	(110,800)	—	—	—
Shares vested	—	—	—	—
Balance as of June 30, 2019	<u>935,687</u>	<u>\$ 5.32</u>	<u>0.63</u>	<u>\$ 4,980</u>

Options

Under the 2018 Plan, stock options are granted at a price per share not less than 100% of the fair market value per share of the underlying stock at the grant date. The vesting period for each option award is established on the grant date, and the options generally expire 10 years from the grant date. Options granted under the 2018 Plan generally require no less than a two or four year ratable vesting period. There was no stock option activity for the six months ended June 30, 2018. Stock option activity in the first six months of 2019 is summarized in the following table:

	Outstanding	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Average Remaining Vesting Period (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Balance as of December 31, 2018	3,570,300	\$ 6.06	2.92	\$ 9,590
Granted	—	—	—	—
Exercised	—	—	—	—
Forfeited	(508,200)	—	—	—
Expired	—	—	—	—
Balance as of June 30, 2019	<u>3,062,100</u>	<u>\$ 6.07</u>	<u>2.52</u>	<u>\$ 8,225</u>

As of June 30, 2019, there was approximately \$7.2 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to non-vested awards for the 2018 Plan, which will be recognized over the respective service period.

Stock-based compensation expense is recorded within Selling, general, and administrative expenses. The Company incurred total compensation expense of \$2.6 million and \$5.5 million related to plan awards for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and \$1.9 million and \$2.9 million related to plan awards for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018.

13. Stockholders' Equity

The following description summarizes the material terms and provisions of the securities that the Company has authorized.

Common Stock

The Company is authorized to issue 1,600,000,000 shares of Common Stock. Except as otherwise required by law or as otherwise provided in any certificate of designation for any series of preferred stock, the holders of Common Stock possess all voting power for the election of Exela's directors and all other matters requiring stockholder action and will at all times vote together as one class on all matters submitted to a vote of Exela stockholders. Holders of Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share on matters to be voted on by stockholders. Holders of Common Stock will be entitled to receive such dividends and other distributions, if any, as may be declared from time to time by the board of directors in its discretion out of funds legally available therefor and shall share equally on a per share basis in such dividends and distributions. The holders of the Common Stock have no conversion, preemptive or other subscription rights and there are no sinking fund or redemption provisions applicable to the Common Stock. In January 2018, 1,625,000 shares of Series A Preferred Stock were converted into 1,987,767 shares of Common Stock. As of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, there were 152,782,534 and 152,692,140 shares of Common Stock issued, respectively. As of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, there were 150,007,085 and 150,142,955 shares outstanding, respectively.

Preferred Stock

The Company is authorized to issue 20,000,000 shares of preferred stock with such designations, voting and other rights and preferences as may be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors. At June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, the Company had 4,569,233 shares of Series A Preferred Stock outstanding. The par value of Series A Preferred Stock is \$0.0001 per share. Each share of Series A Preferred Stock will be convertible at the holder's option, at any time after the six-month anniversary and prior to the third anniversary of the issue date, initially into 1.2226 shares of Common Stock.

Holders of the Series A Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive cumulative dividends at a rate per annum of 10% of the Liquidation Preference per share of Series A Preferred Stock, paid or accrued quarterly in arrears. From the issue date until the third anniversary of the issue date, the amount of all accrued but unpaid dividends on the Series A Preferred Stock will be added to the Liquidation Preference without any action by the Company's board of directors. For the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 this amount was \$0.9 million as reflected on the Consolidated Statement of Operations. For the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 this amount was \$1.8 million as reflected on the Consolidated Statement of Operations. The cumulative accrued but unpaid dividends of the Series A Preferred Stock since their inception on July 12, 2017 is \$7.9 million. The per share average of cumulative preferred dividends for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 is 0.2 dollars.

Following the third anniversary of the issue date, dividends on the Series A Preferred Stock will be accrued by adding to the Liquidation Preference or paid in cash, or a combination thereof. In addition, holders of the Series A Preferred Stock will participate in any dividend or distribution of cash or other property paid in respect of the Common Stock pro rata with the holders of the Common Stock (other than certain dividends or distributions that trigger an adjustment to the conversion rate, as described in the Certificate of Designations), as if all shares of Series A Preferred Stock had been converted into Common Stock immediately prior to the date on which such holders of the Common Stock became entitled to such dividend or distribution.

Treasury Stock

On November 8, 2017, the Company's board of directors authorized a share buyback program (the "Share Buyback Program"), pursuant to which the Company may, from time to time, purchase up to 5,000,000 shares of its Common Stock. Share repurchases may be executed through various means, including, without limitation, open market transactions, privately negotiated transactions or otherwise. The decision as to whether to purchase any shares and the timing of purchases, if any, will be based on the price of the Company's Common Stock, general business and market

conditions and other investment considerations and factors. The Share Buyback Program does not obligate the Company to purchase any shares and expires in 24 months. The Share Buyback Program may be terminated or amended by the Company's board of directors in its discretion at any time. The Company purchased 237,962 shares during the three months ended June 30, 2019 under the Share Buyback Program at an average share price of \$2.51. As of June 30, 2019, 2,787,147 shares had been repurchased under the Share Buyback Program and are held in treasury stock. The Company records treasury stock using the cost method.

Warrants

At June 30, 2019 there were 34,988,302 warrants outstanding. As part of its IPO, Quinpario had issued 35,000,000 units including one share of common stock and one warrant of which 34,988,302 have been separated from the original unit and 11,698 warrants remain an unseparated part of the originally issued units. The warrants are traded on the OTC Bulletin Board as of June 30, 2019.

Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one-half of one share of Common Stock at a price of \$5.75 per half share (\$11.50 per whole share). Warrants may be exercised only for a whole number of shares of Common Stock. No fractional shares will be issued upon exercise of the warrants. Each warrant is currently exercisable and will expire July 12, 2022 (five years after the completion of the Novitex Business Combination), or earlier upon redemption.

The Company may call the warrants for redemption at a price of \$0.01 per warrant upon a minimum of 30 days' prior written notice of redemption, if, and only if, the last sales price of shares of Common Stock equals or exceeds \$24.00 per share for any 20 trading days within a 30 trading day period (the "30-day trading period") ending three business days before we send the notice of redemption, and if, and only if, there is a current registration statement in effect with respect to the shares of Common Stock underlying such warrants commencing five business days prior to the 30-day trading period and continuing each day thereafter until the date of redemption.

14. Related-Party Transactions

Leasing Transactions

Certain operating companies lease their operating facilities from HOV RE, LLC and HOV Services Limited, which are affiliates through common interest held by Ex-Sigma 2 LLC, our largest stockholder. The rental expense for these operating leases was \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$0.3 million and \$0.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Consulting Agreement

The Company receives services from Oakana Holdings, Inc. The Company and Oakana Holdings, Inc. are related through a family relationship between certain shareholders and the president of Oakana Holdings, Inc. The expense recognized for these services was \$0.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The expense recognized for these services was \$0.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

The Company received consulting services from Shadow Pond, LLC. Shadow Pond, LLC is wholly owned and controlled by Vik Negi, our Executive Vice President Treasury and Business Affairs. The consulting arrangement was established to compensate Mr. Negi for his services to the Company prior to becoming an employee. The expense recognized for these services was \$0.1 and \$0.2 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018, respectively. This consulting arrangement with Shadow Pond, LLC terminated on April 1, 2018 and Mr. Negi continues to provide services as an employee of the Company. As such, there were no additional expenses for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019.

Relationship with HandsOn Global Management

Pursuant to a master agreement dated January 1, 2015 between Rule 14, LLC and SourceHOV, the Company incurs marketing fees to Rule 14, LLC, a portfolio company of HOVS LLC and HandsOn Fund 4 I, LLC ("HGM"). Similarly,

SourceHOV is party to ten master agreements with entities affiliated with HGM's managed funds, each of which were entered into during 2015 and 2016. Each master agreement provides SourceHOV with free use of technology and includes a reseller arrangement pursuant to which SourceHOV is entitled to sell these services to third parties. Any revenue earned by SourceHOV in such third-party sale is shared 75%/25% with each of HGM's venture affiliates in favor of SourceHOV. The brands Zuma, Athena, Peri, BancMate, Spring, Jet, Teletype, CourtQ and Rewardio are part of the HGM managed funds. SourceHOV has the license to use and resell such brands, as described therein. The fee relating to these agreements was \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company incurred fees relating to these agreements of \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Relationship with HOV Services, Ltd.

HOV Services, Ltd. provides the Company data capture and technology services. HOV Services, Ltd is an indirect equity holder of Ex-Sigma 2 LLC. The expense recognized for these services was \$0.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and \$0.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. These expenses are included in cost of revenue in the consolidated statements of operations.

Relationship with Apollo Global Management, LLC

The Company provides services to and receives services from certain Apollo Global Management, LLC ("Apollo") affiliated companies. Funds managed by Apollo have the right to designate two of the Company's directors. On November 18, 2014, the Company's subsidiary, Exela Enterprises Solutions, Inc. ("Solutions"), entered into a master services agreement with Management Holdings, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Apollo. Pursuant to this master services agreement, Solutions provides Management Holdings printer supplies and maintenance services, including toner maintenance, training, quarterly business review and printer procurement. The Company recognized revenue of \$0.2 million in our consolidated statements of operations from Apollo affiliated companies under this agreement for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The company recognized revenue of \$0.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, in our consolidated statements of operations from Apollo affiliated companies under this agreement.

On January 18, 2017, Solutions entered into a master purchase and professional services agreement with Caesars Enterprise Services, LLC ("Caesars"). Caesars is controlled by investment funds affiliated with Apollo. Pursuant to this master purchase and professional services agreement, Solutions provides managed print services to Caesars, including general equipment operation, supply management, support services and technical support. The Company recognized revenue of approximately \$1.1 million and \$1.0 million in our consolidated statements of operations from Caesars under this master purchase and professional services agreement for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company recognized revenue of approximately \$2.2 million and \$2.0 million in our consolidated statements of operations from Caesars under this master purchase and professional services agreement for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

On May 5, 2017, Solutions entered into a master services agreement with ADT LLC. ADT LLC is controlled by investment funds affiliated with Apollo. Pursuant to this master services agreement, Solutions provides ADT LLC with mailroom and onsite mail delivery services at an ADT LLC office location and managed print services, including supply management, equipment maintenance and technical support services. The Company recognized revenue of \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million in our consolidated statements of operations from ADT LLC under this master services agreement for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company recognized revenue of \$0.6 million and \$0.2 million in our consolidated statements of operations from ADT LLC under this master services agreement for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

On July 20, 2017, Solutions entered into a master services agreement with Diamond Resorts Centralized Services Company. Diamond Resorts Centralized Services Company is controlled by investment funds affiliated with Apollo. Pursuant to this master services agreement, Solutions provides commercial print and promotional product procurement services to Diamond Resorts Centralized Services Company, including sourcing, inventory management and fulfillment services. The Company recognized revenue of \$0.9 million and \$1.7 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019

and 2018, respectively, from Diamond Resorts Centralized Services Company under this master services agreement. The Company recognized revenue of \$2.6 million and \$4.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, and cost of revenue of \$0.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively, from Diamond Resorts Centralized Services Company under this master services agreement.

In April 2016, Solutions entered into a master services agreement with Presidio Networked Solutions Group, LLC ("Presidio Group"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Presidio, Inc., a portion of which is owned by affiliates of Apollo and with a common Apollo designated director. Pursuant to this master services agreement, Presidio Group provides Solutions with employees, subcontractors, and/or goods and services. For the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 there were related party expenses of \$0.2 million, respectively, for this service. For the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 there were related party expenses of \$0.4 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, for this service.

Payable and Receivable Balances with Affiliates

Payable and receivable balances with affiliates as of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018 are as follows below. As of December 31, 2018 there were no related party receivables.

	June 30, 2019		December 31, 2018
	Receivable	Payable	Payable
HOV Services, Ltd	\$ 189	\$ —	\$ 405
Rule 14	—	145	127
HGM	17	—	6,998
Apollo affiliated company	—	91	205
Oakana	—	2	—
	<u>\$ 206</u>	<u>\$ 238</u>	<u>\$ 7,735</u>

15. Segment and Geographic Area Information

The Company's operating segments are significant strategic business units that align its products and services with how it manages its business, approach the markets and interacts with its clients. The Company is organized into three segments: ITPS, HS, and LLPS.

ITPS: The ITPS segment provides a wide range of solutions and services designed to aid businesses in information capture, processing, decisioning and distribution to customers primarily in the financial services, commercial, public sector and legal industries.

HS: The HS segment operates and maintains a consulting and outsourcing business specializing in both the healthcare provider and payer markets.

LLPS: The LLPS segment provides a broad and active array of legal services in connection with class action, bankruptcy labor, claims adjudication and employment and other legal matters.

The chief operating decision maker reviews operating segment revenue and cost of revenue. The Company does not allocate Selling, general, and administrative expenses, depreciation and amortization, interest expense and sundry, net. The Company manages assets on a total company basis, not by operating segment, and therefore asset information and capital expenditures by operating segments are not presented.

	Three months ended June 30, 2019			
	ITPS	HS	LLPS	Total
Revenue	\$ 309,152	\$ 63,440	\$ 17,568	\$ 390,160
Cost of revenue	246,779	40,338	10,889	298,006
Selling, general and administrative expenses				51,564
Depreciation and amortization				27,191
Related party expense				1,055
Interest expense, net				39,132
Debt modification and extinguishment costs				1,404
Sundry income, net				(1,493)
Other expense, net				2,709
Net loss before income taxes				<u>\$ (29,408)</u>

	Three months ended June 30, 2018			
	ITPS	HS	LLPS	Total
Revenue	\$ 330,132	\$ 56,314	\$ 23,936	\$ 410,382
Cost of revenue (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	261,131	39,260	13,563	313,954
Selling, general and administrative expenses				46,723
Depreciation and amortization				36,368
Related party expense				1,402
Interest expense, net				38,527
Sundry income, net				(2,325)
Other income, net				(704)
Net loss before income taxes				<u>\$ (23,563)</u>

	Six months ended June 30, 2019			
	ITPS	HS	LLPS	Total
Revenue	\$ 633,731	\$ 124,783	\$ 35,410	\$ 793,924
Cost of revenue	504,168	78,844	21,876	604,888
Selling, general and administrative expenses				101,512
Depreciation and amortization				55,211
Related party expense				2,050
Interest expense, net				78,031
Debt modification and extinguishment costs				1,404
Sundry expense, net				1,038
Other expense, net				4,385
Net loss before income taxes				<u>\$ (54,595)</u>

	Six months ended June 30, 2018			
	ITPS	HS	LLPS	Total
Revenue	\$ 642,068	\$ 114,946	\$ 46,535	\$ 803,549
Cost of revenue	506,304	74,216	27,226	607,746
Selling, general and administrative expenses				92,318
Depreciation and amortization				74,386
Related party expense				2,508
Interest expense, net				76,544
Sundry income, net				(2,389)
Other income, net				(4,032)
Net loss before income taxes				<u>\$ (43,532)</u>

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

You should read the following discussion and analysis together with our condensed consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this Form 10-Q. Among other things, the condensed consolidated financial statements include more detailed information regarding the basis of presentation for the financial data than included in the following discussion. Amounts in thousands of United States dollars.

Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements included in this Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and elsewhere in this quarterly report are not historical facts but are forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions under The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements generally are accompanied by words such as “may”, “should”, “would”, “plan”, “intend”, “anticipate”, “believe”, “estimate”, “predict”, “potential”, “seem”, “seek”, “continue”, “future”, “will”, “expect”, “outlook” or other similar words, phrases or expressions. These forward-looking statements include statements regarding our industry, future events, estimated or anticipated future results and benefits, future opportunities for Exela, and other statements that are not historical facts. These statements are based on the current expectations of Exela management and are not predictions of actual performance. These statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties regarding Exela’s businesses and actual results may differ materially. The factors that may affect our results include, among others: the impact of political and economic conditions on the demand for our services; the impact of a data or security breach; the impact of competition or alternatives to our services on our business pricing and other actions by competitors; our ability to address technological development and change in order to keep pace with our industry and the industries of our customers; the impact of terrorism, natural disasters or similar events on our business; the effect of legislative and regulatory actions in the United States and internationally; the impact of operational failure due to the unavailability or failure of third-party services on which we rely; the effect of intellectual property infringement; and other factors discussed in this quarterly report and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018 (our “Annual Report”) under the heading “Risk Factors” as supplemented by risk factors described in Part II, “Item 1A. Risk Factors” of our quarterly report for the quarter ended June 30, 2019, and otherwise identified or discussed in this quarterly report. You should consider these factors carefully in evaluating forward-looking statements and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such statements, which speak only as of the date of this quarterly report. It is impossible for us to predict new events or circumstances that may arise in the future or how they may affect us. We undertake no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this quarterly report. We are not including the information provided on the websites referenced herein as part of, or incorporating such information by reference into, this quarterly report. In addition, forward-looking statements provide Exela’s expectations, plans or forecasts of future events and views as of the date of this quarterly report. Exela anticipates that subsequent events and developments may cause Exela’s assessments to change. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing Exela’s assessments as of any date subsequent to the date of this quarterly report.

Overview

Exela is a business process automation (BPA) leader, leveraging a global footprint and proprietary technology to provide digital transformation solutions enhancing quality, productivity, and end-user experience. With decades of expertise operating mission-critical processes, Exela serves a growing roster of more than 4,000 customers throughout 50 countries, including over 60% of the Fortune 100. With foundational technologies spanning information management, workflow automation, and integrated communications, Exela’s software and services include multi-industry department solution suites addressing finance and accounting, human capital management, and legal management, as well as industry-specific solutions for banking, healthcare, insurance, and public sectors. Through cloud-enabled platforms, built on a configurable stack of automation modules, and over 22,000 employees operating in 23 countries, Exela rapidly deploys integrated technology and operations as an end-to-end digital journey partner.

History

We are a former blank check company that completed our initial public offering on January 22, 2015. In July 2017, Exela Technologies, Inc. (“Exela”), formerly known as Quinpario Acquisition Corp. 2 (“Quinpario”), completed its acquisition of SourceHOV Holdings, Inc. (“SourceHOV”) and Novitex Holdings, Inc. (“Novitex”) pursuant to the business combination agreement dated February 21, 2017 (“Novitex Business Combination”). In conjunction with the completion of the Novitex Business Combination, Quinpario was renamed as Exela Technologies, Inc.

The Novitex Business Combination was accounted for as a reverse merger for which SourceHOV was determined to be the accounting acquirer. Outstanding shares of SourceHOV were converted into equity in a newly formed entity that acquired our common shares, presented as a recapitalization, and the net assets of Quinpario were acquired at historical cost, with no goodwill or other intangible assets recorded. The acquisition of Novitex was treated as a business combination under ASC 805 and was accounted for using the acquisition method. The strategic combination of SourceHOV and Novitex formed Exela, which is one of the largest global providers of information processing solutions based on revenues.

Our Segments

Our three reportable segments are Information & Transaction Processing Solutions (“ITPS”), Healthcare Solutions (“HS”), and Legal & Loss Prevention Services (“LLPS”). These segments are comprised of significant strategic business units that align our transaction processing solutions and enterprise information management products and services with how we manage our business, approach our key markets and interact with our customers based on their respective industries.

ITPS: Our largest segment, ITPS, provides a wide range of solutions and services designed to aid businesses in information capture, processing, decisioning and distribution to customers primarily in the financial services, commercial, public sector and legal industries. Our major customers include the top 10 U.S. banks, 7 of the top 10 U.S. insurance companies, 4 of the top 5 U.S. telecom companies, over 40 utility companies, and over 400 state and local government entities. Our ITPS offerings enable companies to increase availability of working capital, reduce turnaround times for application processes, increase regulatory compliance and enhance consumer engagement.

HS: Our HS segment operates and maintains a consulting and outsourcing business specializing in both the healthcare provider and payer markets. We serve the top 5 healthcare insurance payers and over 900 healthcare providers.

LLPS: Our LLPS segment provides a broad and active array of support services in connection with class action, bankruptcy, labor, claims adjudication and employment and other legal matters. Our customer base consists of corporate counsel, government attorneys, and law firms.

Acquisitions

On April 10, 2018, Exela completed the acquisition of Asterion International Group (“Asterion”), a well-established provider of technology driven business process outsourcing, document management and business process automation (“BPA”) across Europe. Asterion currently serves over 250 key customers in Europe from 13 operating locations and 30 customer sites. The purchase price was approximately \$19.5 million. The acquisition comes with minimal customer overlap and is strategic to expand Exela’s pro forma combined European business to over \$200 million in annual revenue. This acquisition not only enables Asterion’s customers to access Exela’s full suite of BPA solutions but also strategically positions Exela to expand its existing revenue base through a broader portfolio of offerings with a larger European presence.

Revenues

ITPS revenues are primarily generated from a transaction-based pricing model for the various types of volumes processed, licensing and maintenance fees for technology sales, and a mix of fixed management fee and transactional revenue for document logistics and location services. HS revenues are primarily generated from a transaction-based pricing model for the various types of volumes processed for healthcare payers and providers. LLPS revenues are primarily based on time and materials pricing as well as through transactional services priced on a per item basis.

People

We draw on the business and technical expertise of our talented and diverse global workforce to provide our customers with high-quality services. Our business leaders bring a strong diversity of experience in our industry and a track record of successful performance and execution.

Costs associated with our employees represent the most significant expense for our business. We incurred personnel costs of \$181.0 million and \$180.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. We incurred personnel costs of \$359.0 million and \$347.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The majority of our personnel costs are variable and incurred only while we are providing our services.

Key Performance Indicators

We use a variety of operational and financial measures to assess our performance. Among the measures considered by our management are the following:

- Revenue by segment;
- EBITDA; and
- Adjusted EBITDA

Revenue by segment

We analyze our revenue by comparing actual monthly revenue to internal projections and prior periods across our operating segments in order to assess performance, identify potential areas for improvement, and determine whether our segments are meeting management's expectations.

EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA

We view EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA as important indicators of performance. We define EBITDA as net income, plus taxes, interest expense, and depreciation and amortization. We define Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA plus optimization and restructuring charges, including severance and retention expenses; transaction and integrations costs; other non-cash charges, including non-cash compensation, (gain) or loss from sale or disposal of assets, and impairment charges; and management fees and expenses. See "—Other Financial Information (Non-GAAP Financial Measures)" for more information and a reconciliation of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA to net loss, the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP.

Results of Operations

Three Months Ended June 30, 2019 compared to Three Months Ended June 30, 2018:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change	% Change
	2019	2018		
Revenue:				
ITPS	\$ 309,152	\$ 330,132	\$ (20,980)	-6.36%
HS	63,440	56,314	7,126	12.65%
LLPS	17,568	23,936	(6,368)	-26.60%
Total revenue	390,160	410,382	(20,222)	-4.93%
Cost of revenue (exclusive of depreciation and amortization):				
ITPS	246,779	261,131	(14,352)	-5.50%
HS	40,338	39,260	1,078	2.75%
LLPS	10,889	13,563	(2,674)	-19.72%
Total cost of revenues	298,006	313,954	(15,948)	-5.08%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	51,564	46,723	4,841	10.36%
Depreciation and amortization	27,191	36,368	(9,177)	-25.23%
Related party expense	1,055	1,402	(347)	-24.75%
Operating income	12,344	11,935	409	3.43%
Interest expense, net	39,132	38,527	605	1.57%
Debt modification and extinguishment costs	1,404	—	1,404	—
Sundry expense (income), net	(1,493)	(2,325)	832	-35.78%
Other expense (income), net	2,709	(704)	3,413	-484.80%
Net loss before income taxes	(29,408)	(23,563)	(5,845)	24.81%
Income tax benefit	(4,738)	(1,619)	(3,119)	192.65%
Net loss	\$ (34,146)	\$ (25,182)	\$ (8,964)	35.60%

Revenue

Our ITPS, HS, and LLPS segments constituted 79.2%, 16.3%, and 4.5% of total revenue, respectively, for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to 80.4%, 13.7%, and 5.8%, respectively, for the three months ended June 30, 2018. The revenue changes by reporting segment were as follows:

ITPS— The decrease was primarily attributable to a decline of \$21.9 million related to certain statements of work from one customer in the enterprise solutions business and a decline in postage revenue. This was offset by 2018 acquisitions and ramp up of new customers.

HS—The increase was primarily attributable to ramp up of new customers and acquisitions.

LLPS— Revenues are event driven and were negatively impacted by projects that generated lower revenue.

Cost of Revenue

The cost of revenue changes by operating segment was as follows:

ITPS— The decrease corresponds with the related revenue decrease and continued transformation and cost saving initiatives.

HS—The increase primarily corresponded with the related revenue increase.

LLPS— The decrease was primarily attributable to a corresponding decrease in revenue in legal claims administration services.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

For the three months ended June 30, 2019, SG&A was \$4.8 million higher than the three months ended June 30, 2018, mainly driven by higher stock compensation expense related to the equity awards granted to certain employees in the second half of 2018. The increase was also driven by a one time customer exit cost write off of \$1.9 million during the three months ended June 30, 2019.

Depreciation & Amortization

Amortization expenses were \$9.2 million lower for the three months ended June 30, 2019 as compared to the three months ended June 30, 2018, as a result of accelerated trade name write off during the financial year 2018. The accelerated trade name write off ended on December 31, 2018.

Related Party Expenses

Related party expenses remained materially consistent with the prior year period.

Interest Expense

The Company pays interest on a semi-annual basis in the first and third quarters of each year; as such, interest expense remained materially consistent with the prior year period.

Sundry Expense (Income)

The increase of \$0.8 million over the prior year period was primarily attributable to foreign currency transaction losses associated with exchange rate fluctuations.

Other Income

The decrease of \$3.4 million over the prior year period is primarily attributable to an interest rate swap entered into in 2017. The interest rate swap was not designated as a hedge. As such, changes in the fair value of this derivative instrument are recorded directly in earnings. For the three months ended June 30, 2019, the fair value of the interest swap decreased \$2.7 million and for the three months ended June 30, 2018, the fair value increased \$0.7 million.

Income Tax (Expense) Benefit

We had an income tax expense of \$4.7 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to an income tax expense of \$1.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2018. The change in the income tax expense was primarily attributable to our change in judgment related to the realizability of certain deferred tax assets. The change in the effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2019, resulted from permanent tax adjustments and valuation allowances, including valuation allowances against disallowed interest expense deferred tax assets that are not more-likely-than-not to be realized.

Six Months Ended June 30, 2019 compared to Six Months Ended June 30, 2018:

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change	% Change
	2019	2018		
Revenue:				
ITPS	\$ 633,731	\$ 642,068	\$ (8,337)	-1.30%
HS	124,783	114,946	9,837	8.56%
LLPS	35,410	46,535	(11,125)	-23.91%
Total revenue	793,924	803,549	(9,625)	-1.20%
Cost of revenue (exclusive of depreciation and amortization):				
ITPS	504,168	506,304	(2,136)	-0.42%
HS	78,844	74,216	4,628	6.24%
LLPS	21,876	27,226	(5,350)	-19.65%
Total cost of revenues	604,888	607,746	(2,858)	-0.47%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	101,512	92,318	9,194	9.96%
Depreciation and amortization	55,211	74,386	(19,175)	-25.78%
Related party expense	2,050	2,508	(458)	-18.26%
Operating income	30,263	26,591	3,672	13.81%
Interest expense, net	78,031	76,544	1,487	1.94%
Debt modification and extinguishment costs	1,404	—	1,404	—
Sundry expense (income), net	1,038	(2,389)	3,427	-143.45%
Other expense (income), net	4,385	(4,032)	8,417	-208.75%
Net loss before income taxes	(54,595)	(43,532)	(11,063)	25.41%
Income tax benefit	(9,459)	(5,644)	(3,815)	67.59%
Net loss	\$ (64,054)	\$ (49,176)	\$ (14,878)	30.25%

Revenue

Our ITPS, HS, and LLPS segments constituted 79.8%, 15.7%, and 4.5% of total revenue, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to 79.9%, 14.3%, and 5.8%, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 2018. The revenue changes by reporting segment were as follows:

ITPS— The decrease was primarily attributable to a decline of \$39.4 million related to certain statements of work from one customer in the enterprise solutions business. The decrease was offset by an increase due to 2018 acquisitions and ramp up of new customers.

HS— The increase was primarily attributable to ramp up of new customers and acquisitions, offset by a decline in volume from a single customer who lost a contract from one of its customers.

LLPS— Revenues decreased due to a decline in legal claims administration services of \$8.6 million.

Cost of Revenue

The cost of revenue changes by operating segment was as follows:

ITPS— The decrease corresponds with the related revenue decrease due to a decline in certain statements of work from one customer in the enterprise solutions business.

HS— The increases primarily corresponded with the related revenue increase.

LLPS— The decrease was primarily attributable to a corresponding decrease in revenue in legal claims administration services.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

For the six months ended June 30, 2019, SG&A was \$9.2 million higher than the six months ended June 30, 2018, mainly driven by higher stock compensation expense related to the equity awards granted to certain employees in the second half of 2018. The increase was also driven by higher investments in sales and strategy teams to drive the growth of the Company.

Depreciation & Amortization

Amortization expenses were \$19.2 million lower for the six months ended June 30, 2019, as compared to the six months ended June 30, 2018, as a result of accelerated trade name write off during the financial year 2018. The accelerated trade name write off ended on December 31, 2018.

Related Party Expenses

Related party expenses remained materially consistent with the prior year period.

Interest Expense

The Company pays interest on a semi-annual basis in the first and third quarters of each year; as such, interest expense remained materially consistent with the prior year period.

Sundry Expense (Income)

The increase of \$3.4 million over the prior year period was primarily attributable to foreign currency transaction losses associated with exchange rate fluctuations.

Other Income

The decrease of \$8.4 million over the prior year period is primarily attributable to an interest rate swap entered into in 2017. The interest rate swap was not designated as a hedge. As such, changes in the fair value of this derivative instrument are recorded directly in earnings. For the six months ended June 30, 2019, the fair value of the interest swap decreased \$4.4 million and for the six months ended June 30, 2018, the fair value increased \$4.0 million.

Income Tax (Expense) Benefit

We had an income tax expense of \$9.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to an income tax expense of \$5.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2018. The change in the income tax expense was primarily attributable to our change in judgment related to the realizability of certain deferred tax assets. The change in the effective tax rate for the six months ended June 30, 2019, resulted from permanent tax adjustments and valuation allowances, including valuation allowances against disallowed interest expense deferred tax assets that are not more-likely-than-not to be realized.

Other Financial Information (Non-GAAP Financial Measures)

We view EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA as important indicators of performance. We define EBITDA as net income, plus taxes, interest expense, and depreciation and amortization. We define Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA plus optimization and restructuring charges, including severance and retention expenses; transaction and integrations costs; other non-cash charges, including non-cash compensation, (gain) or loss from sale or disposal of assets, and impairment charges; and management fees and expenses.

We present EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA because we believe they provide useful information regarding the factors and trends affecting our business in addition to measures calculated under GAAP. Additionally, our credit

agreement requires us to comply with certain EBITDA related metrics. Refer to “—Liquidity and Capital Resources—Credit Facility.”

Note Regarding Non-GAAP Financial Measures

EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not financial measures presented in accordance with GAAP. We believe that the presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures will provide useful information to investors in assessing our financial performance and results of operations as our board of directors and management use EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA to assess our financial performance, because it allows them to compare our operating performance on a consistent basis across periods by removing the effects of our capital structure (such as varying levels of interest expense), asset base (such as depreciation and amortization) and items outside the control of our management team. Net loss is the GAAP measure most directly comparable to EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA. Our non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered as alternatives to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. Each of these non-GAAP financial measures has important limitations as analytical tools because they exclude some but not all items that affect the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures. You should not consider EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA in isolation or as substitutes for an analysis of our results as reported under GAAP. Because EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA may be defined differently by other companies in our industry, our definitions of these non-GAAP financial measures may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies, thereby diminishing their utility.

Three Months ended June 30, 2019 compared to the Three Months ended June 30, 2018

The following table presents a reconciliation of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA to our net loss, the most directly comparable GAAP measure, for the three months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018. 2018 reconciliation items

between EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA have been adjusted for comparability purposes in the table below. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA for the three months ended June 30, 2018 remains unchanged.

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2019	2018
Net Loss	\$ (34,146)	\$ (25,182)
Taxes	4,738	1,619
Interest Expense	39,132	38,527
Depreciation and Amortization	27,191	36,368
EBITDA	36,915	51,332
Optimization and restructuring expenses (1)	18,708	8,904
<i>Process transformation</i>	17,562	8,904
<i>Customer transformation</i>	25	—
<i>Mergers and acquisitions</i>	1,121	—
Transaction and integration costs (2)	2,030	819
Non-cash equity compensation (3)	2,661	1,936
Other charges including non-cash (4)	4,771	6,720
Loss on sale of assets (5)	207	367
Loss on business disposals (6)	—	720
Debt modification and extinguishment costs	1,404	—
Gain/Loss on derivative instruments (7)	2,708	(704)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 69,404	\$ 70,094

1. Adjustment represents net salary and benefits associated with positions, current vendor expenses and existing lease contracts that are part of the on-going savings and productivity improvement initiatives in process transformation, customer transformation and post-merger or acquisition integration.
2. Represents costs incurred related to transactions for completed or contemplated transactions during the period.
3. Represents the non-cash charges related to restricted stock units and options granted by Ex-Sigma 2 LLC and Exela to our employees that vested during the year.
4. Represents fair value adjustments to deferred revenue and deferred rent accounts established as part of purchase accounting and other non-cash charges. Other charges include severance, retention bonus, facility consolidation and other transition costs.
5. Represents a loss recognized on the disposal of property, plant, and equipment and other assets.
6. Represents a gain recognized on the disposal of Meridian Consulting Group, LLC.
7. Represents the impact of changes in the fair value of an interest rate swap entered into during the fourth quarter of 2017.

EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA

EBITDA was \$36.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to \$51.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2018. Adjusted EBITDA was \$69.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2019, compared to \$70.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2018. The decrease in EBITDA for the three months ended June 30, 2019 was primarily due to a higher net loss and a decrease in depreciation and amortization as a result of ending the accelerated trade name write off on December 31, 2018.

Six Months ended June 30, 2019 compared to the Six Months ended June 30, 2018

The following table presents a reconciliation of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA to our net loss, the most directly comparable GAAP measure, for the six months months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018. 2018 reconciliation

items between EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA have been adjusted for comparability purposes in the table below. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA for the six months ended June 30, 2018 remains unchanged.

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2019	2018
Net Loss	\$ (64,054)	\$ (49,176)
Taxes	9,459	5,644
Interest expense	78,031	76,545
Depreciation and amortization	55,211	74,386
EBITDA	78,647	107,399
Optimization and restructuring expenses (1)	42,369	18,623
<i>Process transformation</i>	39,503	18,623
<i>Customer transformation</i>	102	—
<i>Mergers and acquisitions</i>	2,763	—
Transaction and integration costs (2)	3,038	1,876
Non-cash equity compensation (3)	5,460	2,895
Other charges including non-cash (4)	7,737	11,514
Loss on sale of assets (5)	426	665
Loss on business disposals (6)	—	720
Debt modification and extinguishment costs	1,404	—
Gain/Loss on derivative instruments (7)	4,385	(4,032)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 143,466	\$ 139,660

1. Adjustment represents net salary and benefits associated with positions, current vendor expenses and existing lease contracts that are part of the on-going savings and productivity improvement initiatives in process transformation, customer transformation and post-merger or acquisition integration.
2. Represents costs incurred related to transactions for completed or contemplated transactions during the period.
3. Represents the non-cash charges related to restricted stock units and options granted by Ex-Sigma 2 LLC and Exela to our employees that vested during the year.
4. Represents fair value adjustments to deferred revenue and deferred rent accounts established as part of purchase accounting and other non-cash charges. Other charges include severance, retention bonus, facility consolidation and other transition costs.
5. Represents a loss recognized on the disposal of property, plant, and equipment and other assets.
6. Represents a gain recognized on the disposal of Meridian Consulting Group, LLC.
7. Represents the impact of changes in the fair value of an interest rate swap entered into during the fourth quarter of 2017.

EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA

EBITDA was \$78.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to \$107.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2018. Adjusted EBITDA was \$143.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019, compared to \$139.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2018. The decrease in EBITDA for the six months ended June 30, 2019, was primarily due to a higher net loss and a decrease in depreciation and amortization as a result of ending the accelerated trade name write off on December 31, 2018.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Overview

Our primary source of liquidity is cash generated from operating activities, supplemented as necessary on a short-term basis by borrowings against our senior secured revolving credit facility. We believe our current level of cash and short-term financing capabilities along with future cash flows from operations are sufficient to meet the needs of the business.

We currently expect to spend approximately \$40 to \$45 million on total capital expenditures over the next twelve months. We believe that our operating cash flow and available borrowings under our credit facility will be sufficient to fund our operations for at least the next twelve months.

On July 13, 2018, Exela successfully repriced the \$343.4 million of term loans outstanding under our senior secured credit facilities (the “Repricing Term Loans”). The interest rates applicable to the Repricing Term Loans are 100 basis points lower than the interest rates applicable to the existing senior secured term loans that were incurred on July 12, 2017 pursuant to the First Lien Credit Agreement (the “Credit Agreement”).

On July 13, 2018, the Company borrowed a further \$30.0 million pursuant to incremental term loans under the Credit Agreement. On April 16, 2019, the Company borrowed an additional \$30.0 million pursuant to incremental term loans under the Credit Agreement. The proceeds of these incremental term loans (collectively, the “Incremental Term Loans”) were used to replace the cash spent for acquisitions, pay related fees, expenses and related borrowings and for general corporate purposes.

The Repricing Term Loans and the Incremental Term Loans bear interest at a rate per annum consisting of, at the Company’s option, either (a) a LIBOR rate determined by reference to the costs of funds for Eurodollar deposits for the interest period relevant to such borrowing, adjusted for certain additional costs, subject to a 1.00% floor, or (b) a base rate determined by reference to the highest of (i) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (ii) the prime rate and (iii) the one-month adjusted LIBOR plus 1.00%, in each case plus an applicable margin of 6.50% for LIBOR loans and 5.50% for base rate loans. The Repricing Term Loans and the Incremental Term Loans will mature on July 12, 2023.

At June 30, 2019, cash and cash equivalents totaled \$23.4 million and we had availability of \$79.0 million under our senior secured revolving credit facility.

Cash Flows

The following table summarizes our cash flows for the periods indicated:

	Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2019	2018	Change	% Change
Cash flow from operating activities	\$ (4,776)	\$ 48,251	\$ (53,027)	-109.90%
Cash flow used in investing activities	(28,499)	(19,185)	(9,314)	48.55%
Cash flows (used in) provided by financing activities	12,736	(23,274)	36,010	-154.72%
Subtotal	(20,539)	5,792	(26,331)	-454.61%
Effect of exchange rates on cash	111	(410)	521	-127.07%
Net increase/(decrease) in cash	(20,428)	5,382	(25,810)	-479.56%

Analysis of Cash Flow Changes between the Six Months Ended June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018

Operating Activities—The decrease of \$53.0 million in cash flows from operating activities for the six months ended June 30, 2019 was primarily due to higher cash inflows in 2018 due to receipt of settlement funds for the legal business, changes in accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and a decrease in related party payables in 2019. The decrease was offset by higher cash flows from accounts receivable in 2019.

Investing Activities—The decrease of \$9.3 million in cash used in investing activities was primarily due to additional outsourcing contract costs for the six months ended June 30, 2019 due to the ramp of new revenue. The increase was offset by a decrease in cash paid for acquisitions.

Financing Activities—The increase of \$36.0 million in cash provided by financing activities was primarily due to proceeds from the incremental term loan in April 2019 and lower equity issuance costs, offset by increases in principal payments on long-term obligations and a stock repurchase payment that was accrued for as of December 31, 2018 and paid in the first quarter of 2019.

Indebtedness

In connection with the Novitex Business Combination, we acquired debt facilities and issued notes totaling \$1.4 billion. Proceeds from the indebtedness were used to pay off credit facilities existing immediately before the Novitex Business Combination.

Senior Credit Facilities

On July 12, 2017, the Company entered into a First Lien Credit Agreement with Royal Bank of Canada, Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch, Natixis, New York Branch and KKR Corporate Lending LLC (the “Credit Agreement”) providing Exela Intermediate LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Credit Agreement, (i) a \$350.0 million senior secured term loan maturing July 12, 2023 with an original issue discount of \$7.0 million, and (ii) a \$100.0 million senior secured revolving facility maturing July 12, 2022. The Credit Agreement provided for the following interest rates for borrowings under the senior secured term facility and senior secured revolving facility: at the Company’s option, either (1) an adjusted LIBOR, subject to a 1.0% floor in the case of term loans, or (2) a base rate, in each case plus an applicable margin. The initial applicable margin for the senior secured term facility was 7.5% with respect to LIBOR borrowings and 6.5% with respect to base rate borrowings. The initial applicable margin for the senior secured revolving facility was 7.0% with respect to LIBOR borrowings and 6.0% with respect to base rate borrowings. The applicable margin for borrowings under the senior secured revolving facility is subject to step-downs based on leverage ratios. The senior secured term loan is subject to amortization payments, commencing on the last day of the first full fiscal quarter of the Company following the closing date, of 0.6% of the aggregate principal amount for each of the first eight payments and 1.3% of the aggregate principal amount for payments thereafter, with any balance due at maturity. As of June 30, 2018 the interest rate applicable for the first lien senior secured term loan was 9.83%.

Senior Secured Notes

Senior secured notes of \$1.0 billion due July 2023 were also issued as part of the Novitex Business Combination. The notes bear interest at a rate of 10.0% per year. We pay interest on the notes on January 15 and July 15 of each year, commencing on January 15, 2018. The notes are guaranteed by subsidiary guarantors pursuant to a supplemental indenture.

Term Loan Repricing

On July 13, 2018, Exela successfully repriced the \$343.4 million of term loans outstanding under its senior secured credit facilities (the “Repricing”). The Repricing was accomplished pursuant to a First Amendment to First Lien Credit Agreement (the “First Amendment”), dated as of July 13, 2018, by and among Exela Intermediate Holdings LLC, the Company, each “Subsidiary Loan Party” listed on the signature pages thereto, Royal Bank of Canada, as administrative agent, and each of the lenders party thereto, whereby the Company borrowed \$343.4 million of refinancing term loans (the “Repricing Term Loans”) to refinance the Company’s existing senior secured term loans.

The Repricing Term Loans will bear interest at a rate per annum of, at the Company’s option, either (a) a LIBOR rate determined by reference to the costs of funds for Eurodollar deposits for the interest period relevant to such borrowing, adjusted for certain additional costs, subject to a 1.00% floor, or (b) a base rate determined by reference to the highest of (i) the federal funds rate plus 0.50%, (ii) the prime rate and (iii) the one-month adjusted LIBOR plus 1.00%, in each case plus an applicable margin of 6.50% for LIBOR loans and 5.50% for base rate loans. The interest rates applicable to the Repricing Term Loans are 100 basis points lower than the interest rates applicable to the existing senior secured term loans that were incurred on July 12, 2017 pursuant to the First Lien Credit Agreement. The Repricing Term Loans will mature on July 12, 2023, the same maturity date as the existing senior secured term loans. As of June 30, 2019, the interest rate applicable for the Repricing Term Loans was 8.85%.

Incremental Term Loans

On July 13, 2018, the Company successfully borrowed an additional \$30.0 million pursuant to incremental term loans (the “2018 Incremental Term Loans”) under the First Amendment to the Credit Agreement. The proceeds of the 2018 Incremental Term Loans were used by the Company for general corporate purposes and to pay fees and expenses in connection with the First Amendment.

On April 16, 2019, the Company successfully borrowed a further \$30.0 million pursuant to incremental term loans (the “2019 Incremental Term Loans”, and, together with the 2018 Incremental Term Loans, the “Incremental Term Loans”) under the Second Amendment to the Credit Agreement. The proceeds of the 2019 Incremental Term Loans were used to replace the cash spent for acquisitions, pay related fees, expenses and related borrowings for general corporate purposes.

The Incremental Term Loans bear interest at a rate per annum that is the same as the Repricing Term Loans. The Incremental Term Loans will mature on July 12, 2023, the same maturity date as the Repricing Term Loans.

The Company may voluntarily repay the Repricing Term Loans and the Incremental Term Loans (collectively, the “Term Loans”) at any time, without prepayment premium or penalty, except in connection with a repricing event as described in the following sentence, subject to customary “breakage” costs with respect to LIBOR rate loans. Any refinancing of the Term Loans through the issuance of certain debt or any repricing amendment, in either case, that constitutes a “repricing event” applicable to the Term Loans resulting in a lower yield occurring at any time during the first six months after July 13, 2018, will be accompanied by a 1.00% prepayment premium or fee, as applicable.

Other than as described above, the terms, conditions and covenants applicable to the Incremental Term Loans are consistent with the terms, conditions and covenants that were applicable to the Repricing Term Loans under the Credit Agreement and which are described in the registrant’s Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 18, 2017 and July 17, 2018.

Letters of Credit

As of June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2018, we had outstanding irrevocable letters of credit totaling approximately \$21.0 million and \$20.6 million, respectively, under the revolving credit facility.

Potential Future Transactions

We may, from time to time, explore and evaluate possible strategic transactions, which may include joint ventures, as well as business acquisitions or the acquisition or disposition of assets. In order to pursue certain of these opportunities, additional funds will likely be required. There can be no assurance that we will enter into additional strategic transactions or alliances, nor do we know if we will be able to obtain the necessary financing for transactions that require additional funds on favorable terms, if at all.

Off Balance Sheet Arrangements

At June 30, 2019 we had no material off balance sheet arrangements, except letters of credit described above under Liquidity and Capital Resources. As such, we are not materially exposed to any financing, liquidity, market or credit risk that could arise if we had engaged in such financing arrangements.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk

Interest Rate Risk

At June 30, 2019, we had \$1,331.9 million of debt outstanding, with a weighted average interest rate of 9.57%. Interest is calculated under the terms of our credit agreement based on the greatest of certain specified base rates plus an applicable margin that varies based on certain factors. Assuming no change in the amount outstanding, the impact on

interest expense of a 1% increase or decrease in the assumed weighted average interest rate would be approximately \$13.3 million per year. In order to mitigate interest rate fluctuations with respect to term loan borrowings under the Credit Agreement, in November 2017, we entered into a three year one-month LIBOR interest rate swap contract with a notional amount of \$347.8 million, which at the time was the remaining principal balance of the term loan. The swap contract swaps out the floating rate interest risk related to the LIBOR with a fixed interest rate of 1.9275% effective January 12, 2018.

The interest rate swap, which is used to manage our exposure to interest rate movements and other identified risks, was not designated as a hedge. As such, changes in the fair value of the derivative are recorded directly to other income as an expense of \$4.4 million and income of \$4.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Foreign Currency Risk

We are exposed to foreign currency risks that arise from normal business operations. These risks include transaction gains and losses associated with intercompany loans with foreign subsidiaries and transactions denominated in currencies other than a location's functional currency. Contracts are denominated in currencies of major industrial countries.

Market Risk

We are exposed to market risks primarily from changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. We do not use derivatives for trading purposes, to generate income or to engage in speculative activity.

Item 4. Internal Controls and Procedures

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to provide reasonable assurance that material information required to be disclosed in our reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required financial disclosure. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognized that a control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, with a company have been detected.

As of the end of the period covered by this report, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act. Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective due to material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting described in our 10-K as of December 31, 2018.

Notwithstanding such material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting, our management, including our CEO and CFO, has concluded that our consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, our financial position, results of our operations and our cash flows for the periods presented in this Quarterly Report, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Remediation

As previously described in Part II, Item 9A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, we began implementing a remediation plan to address the material weaknesses mentioned above. The weaknesses will not be considered remediated until the applicable controls operate for a sufficient period of time and management has concluded, through testing, that these controls are operating effectively.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter-ended June 30, 2019, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Appraisal Demand

On September 21, 2017, former stockholders of SourceHOV Holdings, Inc. ("SourceHOV"), who allege combined ownership of 10,304 shares of SourceHOV common stock, filed a petition for appraisal pursuant to 8 Del. C. § 262 in the Delaware Court of Chancery, captioned Manichaeon Capital, LLC, et al. v. SourceHOV Holdings, Inc., C.A. No. 2017-0673-JRS (the "Appraisal Action"). The Appraisal Action arises out of the acquisition of SourceHOV and Novitex Holdings, Inc., by Quinpario in July 2017 ("Novitex Business Combination"), which gave rise to appraisal rights pursuant to 8 Del. C. § 262. In the Appraisal Action, the petitioners seek, among other things, a determination of the fair value of their SourceHOV shares at the time of the Novitex Business Combination.

On October 12, 2017, SourceHOV filed its answer to the petition and a verified list pursuant to 8 Del. C. § 262(f). The Court conducted a trial in June 2019 and has scheduled post-trial argument for October 2019. The parties and their experts have offered competing valuations of the SourceHOV shares as of the date of the Novitex Business Combination. The Court may determine a fair value that is above or below the values indicated by the parties and their experts. At this stage of the litigation, the Company is unable to predict the outcome of the Appraisal Action or estimate what the Court will determine the fair value of SourceHOV common stock to be as of the date of the Novitex Business Combination.

As a result of the Appraisal Action, 4,570,734 shares of our Common Stock issued to Ex-Sigma 2 LLC, our principal stockholder, will be forfeited at such time as the PIPE Financing (as defined in and pursuant to the terms of the Consent, Waiver and Amendment, dated June 15, 2017) is repaid. The Company continues to vigorously defend the Appraisal Action.

Other

We are, from time to time, involved in other legal proceedings, inquiries, claims and disputes, which arise in the ordinary course of business. Although our management cannot predict the outcomes of these matters, our management believes these actions will not have a material, adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the risk factors described in Part I, "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, which could materially affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results. The risks described in these Risk Factors are not the only risks facing us. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

On November 8, 2017, the Company's board of directors authorized a share buyback program (the "Share Buyback Program"), pursuant to which the Company may, from time to time, purchase up to 5,000,000 shares of its Common Stock. Share repurchases may be executed through various means, including, without limitation, open market transactions, privately negotiated transactions or otherwise. The decision as to whether to purchase any shares and the timing of purchases, if any, will be based on the price of the Company's Common Stock, general business and market conditions and other investment considerations and factors. The Share Buyback Program does not obligate the Company to purchase any shares and expires 24 months after authorized. The Share Buyback Program may be terminated or amended by the Company's board of directors in its discretion at any time. We purchased an additional 2,499,885 shares during 2018 at an average share price of \$4.71. Share repurchases for the three and six months ended June 30, 2019 were 237,962 at an average share price of \$2.74. As of June 30, 2019, 2,787,147 shares had been repurchased under the Share Buyback Program. The Company records treasury stock using the cost method.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information.

None.

Item 6. Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
2.1	Business Combination Agreement, dated as of February 21, 2017, by and among Quinpario Acquisition Corp. 2, Quinpario Merger Sub I, Inc., Quinpario Merger Sub II, Inc., Novitex Holdings, Inc., SourceHOV Holdings, Inc., Novitex Parent, L.P, HOVS LLC and HandsOn Fund 4 I, LLC (3)
3.1	Restated Certificate of Incorporation, dated July 12, 2017 (4)
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws, dated July 12, 2017 (4)
4.1	Specimen Common Stock Certificate (1)
4.2	Specimen Warrant Certificate (1)
4.3	Form of Warrant Agreement between Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company and the Registrant (1)
4.4	Indenture, dated July 12, 2017, by and among Exela Intermediate LLC and Exela Finance Inc. as Issuers, the Subsidiary Guarantors set forth therein and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as Trustee (4)
4.5	First Supplemental Indenture, dated July 12, 2017, by and among Exela Intermediate LLC and Exela Finance Inc., as Issuers, the Subsidiary Guarantors set forth therein and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as Trustee (4)
10.1	First Amendment to First Lien Credit Agreement, dated as of July 13, 2018, by and among Exela Intermediate Holdings LLC, Exela Intermediate, LLC, each Subsidiary Loan Party listed on the signature pages thereto, Royal Bank of Canada, as administrative agent, and each of the lenders party thereto. (2)
10.2	Exela Technologies Inc. 2018 Stock Incentive Plan. (6)
10.3	Form of Option Grant Notice and Agreement under the Exela Technologies Inc. 2018 Stock Incentive Plan. (6)
10.4	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Grant and Agreement under the Exela Technologies Inc. 2018 Stock Incentive Plan. (6)
10.5	Second Amendment to First Lien Credit Agreement, dated as of April, 17, 2019, by and among Exela Intermediate Holdings LLC, Exela Intermediate, LLC, each Subsidiary Loan Party listed on the signature pages thereto, Royal Bank of Canada, as administrative agent, and each of the lenders party thereto. (5)
31.1	Certification of the Principal Executive Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002
31.2	Certification of the Principal Financial and Accounting Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002
32.1	Certification of the Principal Executive Officer required by 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002
32.2	Certification of the Principal Financial and Accounting Officer required by 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase

- (1) Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (SEC File No. 333-198988).
(2) Incorporated by reference to the Registrants' Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on July 13, 2018.
(3) Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on February 22, 2017.
(4) Incorporated by reference to the Registrants' Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on July 18, 2017.
(5) Incorporated by reference to the Registrants' Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on April 17, 2019.
(6) Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 10, 2019.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Section 13 or 15 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized on the 8th day of August, 2019.

EXELA TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By: /s/ Ronald Cogburn
Ronald Cogburn
Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

By: /s/ James G. Reynolds
James G. Reynolds
Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and
Accounting Officer)

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
RULE 13a-14(a) or RULE 15d-14(a) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE
SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Ronald Cogburn, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Exela Technologies, Inc. for the quarter ended June 30, 2019;
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 (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) 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.

Date: August 8, 2019

/s/ Ronald Cogburn
Name: Ronald Cogburn
Title: Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
RULE 13a-14(a) or RULE 15d-14(a) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE
SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, James G. Reynolds, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q/A of Exela Technologies, Inc. for the quarter ended June 30, 2019;
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 (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) 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.

Date: August 8, 2019

/s/ James G. Reynolds
Name: James G. Reynolds
Title: Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Exela Technologies, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2019, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Ronald Cogburn, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: August 8, 2019

/s/ Ronald Cogburn
Name: Ronald Cogburn
Title: Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Exela Technologies, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2019, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, James G. Reynolds, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: August 8, 2019

/s/ James G. Reynolds
Name: James G. Reynolds
Title: Chief Financial Officer
