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## Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and Subsidiaries

# Form 10-Q

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#### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### **Item 1. Financial Statements**

#### Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

(in thousands, except per share data)	Mar	ch 31, 2013	Decem	aber 31, 2012
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	177,798	\$	187,322
Receivables, net		266,628		247,633
Prepaid expenses		13,132		12,370
Other current assets		25,552		20,017
Total current assets		483,110		467,342
Property and equipment, net		103,040		101,295
Goodwill		203,831		204,231
Intangibles, net		87,928		92,037
Deferred charges and other assets		41,692		43,784
	\$	919,601	\$	908,689
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	19,038	\$	24,985
Accrued employee compensation and benefits		65,438		73,103
Current deferred income tax liabilities		87		92
Income taxes payable		2,419		800
Deferred revenue		33,900		34,283
Other accrued expenses and current liabilities		31,731		31,320
Total current liabilities		152,613		164,583
Deferred grants		7,458		7,607
Long-term debt		111,000		91,000
Long-term income tax liabilities		25,853		26,162
Other long-term liabilities		12,836		13,073
Total liabilities		309,760		302,425
Commitments and loss contingency (Note 15)		/		,
Shareholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 10,000 shares authorized; no				
shares issued and outstanding		-		-
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 200,000 shares authorized;				
44,266 and 43,790 shares issued, respectively		443		438
Additional paid-in capital		277,827		277,192
Retained earnings		321,705		315,187
Accumulated other comprehensive income		11,378		14,856
Treasury stock at cost: 115 shares and 108 shares, respectively		(1,512)		(1,409)
Total shareholders' equity		609,841		606,264
	\$	919,601	\$	908,689

#### Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

		Months Ended			
(in thousands, except per share data)	201	<u>3</u>	2012		
Revenues	\$ 3	01,244 \$	278,098		
Operating expenses:					
Direct salaries and related costs		03,706	178,500		
General and administrative		73,733	72,264		
Depreciation, net		10,169	10,634		
Amortization of intangibles		3,759	1,861		
Impairment of long-lived assets			149		
Total operating expenses	2	91,367	263,408		
Income from continuing operations		9,877	14,690		
Other income (expense):					
Interest income		224	364		
Interest (expense)		(508)	(316)		
Other income (expense)		125	(601)		
Total other income (expense)		(159)	(553)		
Income from continuing operations before income taxes		9,718	14,137		
Income taxes		3,200	3,367		
Income from continuing operations, net of taxes		6,518	10,770		
(Loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes		-	(820)		
(Loss) on sale of discontinued operations, net of taxes		<u>-</u>	(10,707)		
Net income (loss)	<u>\$</u>	6,518 \$	(757)		
Net income (loss) per common share:					
Basic:					
Continuing operations	\$	0.15 \$	0.25		
Discontinued operations		<u> </u>	(0.27)		
Net income (loss) per common share	<u>\$</u>	0.15 \$	(0.02)		
Diluted:					
Continuing operations	\$	0.15 \$	0.25		
Discontinued operations	\$	<u> </u>	(0.27)		
Net income (loss) per common share	<u>\$</u>	0.15 \$	(0.02)		
Weighted average common shares:					
Basic		43,036	43,309		
Diluted		43,052	43,409		

# Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,					
(in thousands)		2013				
Net income (loss)	\$	6,518	\$	(757)		
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes:						
Foreign currency translation gain (loss), net of taxes		(5,728)		7,129		
Unrealized gain (loss) on net investment hedge, net of taxes		282		_		
Unrealized actuarial gain (loss) related to pension liability, net of taxes		(8)		9		
Unrealized gain (loss) on cash flow hedging instruments, net of taxes		2,019		2,133		
Unrealized gain (loss) on postretirement obligation, net of taxes		(43)		15		
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes		(3,478)		9,286		
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	3,040	\$	8,529		

# Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity Three Months Ended March 31, 2012, Nine Months Ended December 31, 2012 and Three Months Ended March 31, 2013

(Unaudited)

	Commo	on Stock	Additional	Retained	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Treasury	
(in thousands)	Issued	Amount	Paid-in Capital	Earnings	Income (Loss)	Stock	Total
Balance at January 1, 2012	44,306	\$ 443	\$ 281,157	\$291,803	\$ 4,436	\$ (4,273)	\$573,566
Stock-based compensation expense	,,500	-	1.119	-	- 1,100	-	1.119
Excess tax benefit (deficiency) from stock-based compensation	_	-	(278)	_	_	_	(278)
Vesting of common stock and restricted stock under equity award plans, net of			( /				( /
forfeitures	263	3	(1,309)	-	-	(106)	(1,412)
Repurchase of common stock	-	-	-	-	-	(6,200)	(6,200)
Retirement of treasury stock	(500)	(5)	(3,995)	(3,343)	-	7,343	-
Comprehensive income (loss)	-	-	-	(757)	9,286	-	8,529
Balance at March 31, 2012	44,069	441	276,694	287,703	13,722	(3,236)	575,324
Stock-based compensation expense	-	-	2,348	-	-	-	2,348
Excess tax benefit (deficiency) from stock-based compensation	-	-	(14)	-	-	-	(14)
Vesting of common stock and restricted stock under equity award plans, net of							
forfeitures	(34)	-	114	-	-	(114)	-
Repurchase of common stock	-	-	-	-	-	(1,708)	(1,708)
Retirement of treasury stock	(245)	(3)	(1,950)	(1,696)	-	3,649	-
Comprehensive income (loss)				29,180	1,134		30,314
Balance at December 31, 2012	43,790	438	277,192	315,187	14,856	(1,409)	606,264
Stock-based compensation expense	-	-	664	-	-	-	664
Excess tax benefit (deficiency) from stock-based compensation	-	-	(34)	-	-	-	(34)
Vesting of common stock and restricted stock under equity award plans, net of							
forfeitures	476	5	5	-	-	(103)	(93)
Comprehensive income (loss)			<u> </u>	6,518	(3,478)		3,040
Balance at March 31, 2013	44,266	\$ 443	\$ 277,827	\$321,705	<b>\$</b> 11,378	<b>\$</b> (1,512)	\$609,841

### Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Unaudited)

	Three Months En	ded March 31,
(in thousands)	2013	2012
Cash flows from operating activities :		
Net income (loss)	\$ 6,518	\$ (757)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation, net	10,169	10,634
Amortization of intangibles	3,759	1,861
Impairment losses	-	149
Unrealized foreign currency transaction (gains) losses, net	291	80
Stock-based compensation expense	664	1,119
Deferred income tax provision (benefit)	(2,043)	(303)
Net (gain) loss on disposal of property and equipment	9	(51)
Bad debt expense	305	733
Unrealized (gains) losses on financial instruments, net	1,418	(577)
Amortization of deferred loan fees	65	146
Net (gain) on insurance settlement	-	(133)
Loss on sale of discontinued operations	-	10,707
Other	66	32
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of acquisition:		
Receivables	(21,019)	(16,076)
Prepaid expenses	(575)	(4,269)
Other current assets	(3,164)	706
Deferred charges and other assets	931	(1,929)
Accounts payable	(5,295)	(1,604)
Income taxes receivable / payable	499	(21)
Accrued employee compensation and benefits	(7,194)	17
Other accrued expenses and current liabilities	1,460	3,939
Deferred revenue	295	(143)
Other long-term liabilities	28	(142)
Net cash provided by (used for) operating activities	(12,813)	4,118
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(13,066)	(6,818)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	34	100
Investment in restricted cash	(7)	(63)
Release of restricted cash	-	356
Cash divested on sale of discontinued operations	-	(9,100)
Proceeds from insurance settlement	-	227
Net cash (used for) investing activities	(13,039)	(15,298)

#### Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Unaudited) (Continued)

	T	hree Months E	nded N	Iarch 31,
(in thousands)		2013		2012
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Payment of long-term debt		(2,000)		-
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		22,000		-
Cash paid for repurchase of common stock		-		(6,200)
Proceeds from grants		103		-
Shares repurchased for minimum tax withholding on equity awards		(93)		(1,412)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities		20,010		(7,612)
Effects of exchange rates on cash		(3,682)		3,707
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(9,524)		(15,085)
Cash and cash equivalents – beginning		187,322		211,122
Cash and cash equivalents – ending	\$	177,798	\$	196,037
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Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:				
Cash paid during period for interest	\$	481	\$	306
Cash paid during period for income taxes	\$	5,017	\$	5,374
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Non-cash transactions:		2.254		1.691
Property and equipment additions in accounts payable	\$	3,354	\$	1,671
Unrealized gain (loss) on postretirement obligation in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(43)	\$	15

#### Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and Subsidiaries Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 and 2012

(Unaudited)

#### Note 1. Overview and Basis of Presentation

Business — Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and consolidated subsidiaries ("SYKES" or the "Company") provides comprehensive outsourced customer contact management solutions and services in the business process outsourcing arena to companies, primarily within the communications, financial services, technology/consumer, transportation and leisure, and healthcare industries. SYKES provides flexible, high-quality outsourced customer contact management services (with an emphasis on inbound technical support and customer service), which includes customer assistance, healthcare and roadside assistance, technical support and product sales to its clients' customers. Utilizing SYKES' integrated onshore/offshore global delivery model, SYKES provides its services through multiple communication channels encompassing phone, e-mail, Internet, text messaging and chat. SYKES complements its outsourced customer contact management services with various enterprise support services in the United States that encompass services for a company's internal support operations, from technical staffing services to outsourced corporate help desk services. In Europe, SYKES also provides fulfillment services including multilingual sales order processing via the Internet and phone, payment processing, inventory control, product delivery and product returns handling. The Company has operations in two reportable segments entitled (1) the Americas, which includes the United States, Canada, Latin America, India and the Asia Pacific Rim, in which the client base is primarily companies in the United States that are using the Company's services to support their customer management needs; and (2) EMEA, which includes Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

<u>Acquisition</u> — In August 2012, the Company completed the acquisition of Alpine Access, Inc. ("Alpine"), a Delaware corporation, pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated July 27, 2012. The Company has reflected the operating results in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations since August 20, 2012. See Note 2, Acquisition of Alpine Access, Inc., for additional information on the acquisition of this business.

<u>Discontinued Operations</u> — In March 2012, the Company sold its operations in Spain (the "Spanish operations"), pursuant to an asset purchase agreement dated March 29, 2012 and a stock purchase agreement dated March 30, 2012. The Company reflected the operating results related to the Spanish operations as discontinued operations in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three months ended March 31, 2012. Cash flows from discontinued operations are included in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the three months ended March 31, 2012. See Note 3, Discontinued Operations, for additional information on the sale of the Spanish operations.

Basis of Presentation — The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("generally accepted accounting principles" or "GAAP") for interim financial information, the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and notes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any future quarters or the year ending December 31, 2013. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto, included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

**Principles of Consolidation** — The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of SYKES and its wholly-owned subsidiaries and controlled majority-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

*Use of Estimates* — The preparation of condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Company to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Subsequent Events** — Subsequent events or transactions have been evaluated through the date and time of issuance of the condensed consolidated financial statements. There were no material subsequent events that required recognition or disclosure in the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### New Accounting Standards Not Yet Adopted

In March 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-05 "Foreign Currency Matters (Topic 830) – Parent's Accounting for the Cumulative Translation Adjustment upon Derecognition of Certain Subsidiaries or Groups of Assets within a Foreign Entity or of an Investment in a Foreign Entity" ("ASU 2013-05"). The amendments in ASU 2013-05 indicates that a cumulative translation adjustment ("CTA") is attached to the parent's investment in a foreign entity and should be released in a manner consistent with the derecognition guidance on investments in entities. Thus, the entire amount of the CTA associated with the foreign entity would be released when there has been a sale of a subsidiary or group of net assets within a foreign entity and the sale represents the substantially complete liquidation of the investment in the foreign entity, a loss of a controlling financial interest in an investment in a foreign entity (i.e., the foreign entity is deconsolidated), or a step acquisition for a foreign entity (i.e., when an entity has changed from applying the equity method for an investment in a foreign entity to consolidating the foreign entity). ASU 2013-05 does not change the requirement to release a pro rata portion of the CTA of the foreign entity into earnings for a partial sale of an equity method investment in a foreign entity. The amendments in ASU 2013-05 are effective prospectively for fiscal years (and interim reporting periods within those years) beginning after December 15, 2013. The amendments should be applied prospectively to derecognition events occurring after the effective date. The Company does not expect the adoption of ASU 2013-05 to materially impact its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

#### New Accounting Standards Recently Adopted

In December 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-11 "Balance Sheet (Topic 210) – Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities" ("ASU 2011-11"). The amendments in ASU 2011-11 will enhance disclosures by requiring improved information about financial and derivative instruments that are either 1) offset (netting assets and liabilities) in accordance with Section 210-20-45 or Section 815-10-45 of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification or 2) subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement. The amendments in ASU 2011-11 are effective for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2013, and interim periods within those years. An entity should provide the disclosures required by those amendments retrospectively for all comparative periods presented. The adoption of ASU 2011-11 as of January 1, 2013 did not have a material impact on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Company.

In July 2012, the FASB issued ASU 2012-02 "Intangibles – Goodwill and Other (Topic 350) Testing Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets for Impairment" ("ASU 2012-02"). The amendments in ASU 2012-02 provide entities with the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events and circumstances indicates that it is more likely than not that the indefinite-lived intangible asset is impaired. If, after assessing the totality of events and circumstances, an entity concludes that it is not more likely than not that the indefinite-lived intangible asset is impaired, then the entity is not required to take further action. However, if an entity concludes otherwise, then it is required to determine the fair value of the indefinite-lived intangible asset and perform the quantitative

impairment test by comparing the fair value with the carrying amount. Under the amendments in ASU 2012-02, an entity also has the option to bypass the qualitative assessment for any indefinite-lived intangible asset in any period and proceed directly to performing the quantitative impairment test. An entity will be able to resume performing the qualitative assessment in any subsequent period. The amendments in ASU 2012-02 are effective for annual and interim impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after September 15, 2012. The adoption of ASU 2012-02 on January 1, 2013 did not have a material impact on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Company.

In January 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-01 "Balance Sheet (Topic 210) Clarifying the Scope of Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities" ("ASU 2013-01"). The amendments in ASU 2013-01 clarify which instruments and transactions are subject to the offsetting disclosure requirements established by ASU 2011-11. ASU 2013-01 addresses preparer concerns that the scope of the disclosure requirements under ASU 2011-11 was overly broad and imposed unintended costs that were not commensurate with estimated benefits to the financial statement users. In choosing to narrow the scope of the offsetting disclosures, the Financial Accounting Standards Board determined that it could make them more operable and cost effective for preparers while still giving financial statement users sufficient information to analyze the most significant presentation differences between financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and those prepared under International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The amendments in ASU 2013-01 are effective for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2013. Retrospective application is required for any period presented that begins before the entity's initial application of the new requirements. The adoption of ASU 2013-01 as of January 1, 2013 did not have a material impact on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Company.

In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-02 "Comprehensive Income (Topic 220) Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income" ("ASU 2013-02"). The amendments in ASU 2013-02 do not change the current requirements for reporting net income or other comprehensive income in financial statements. However, the amendments require an entity to provide information about the amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by component. In addition, an entity is required to present, either on the face of the statement where net income is presented or in the notes, significant amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income by the respective line items of net income but only if the amount reclassified is required under U.S. GAAP to be reclassified to net income in its entirety in the same reporting period. For other amounts that are not required under U.S. GAAP to be reclassified in their entirety to net income, an entity is required to cross-reference to other disclosures required under U.S. GAAP that provide additional detail about those amounts. The amendments in ASU 2013-02 are effective prospectively for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2012. The adoption of ASU 2013-02 as of January 1, 2013 did not have a material impact on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Company.

#### Note 2. Acquisition of Alpine Access, Inc.

On August 20, 2012, the Company acquired 100% of the outstanding common shares and voting interest of Alpine, pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement. Alpine, an industry leader in the at-home agent space, provides award-winning customer contact management services through a secured and proprietary virtual call center environment with its operations located in the United States and Canada. The results of Alpine's operations have been included in the Company's consolidated financial statements since its acquisition on August 20, 2012. The Company acquired Alpine to: create significant competitive differentiation for quality, speed to market, scalability and flexibility driven by proprietary, internally-developed software, systems, processes and other intellectual property, which uniquely overcome the challenges of the athome delivery model; strengthen the Company's current service portfolio and go-to-market offering while expanding the breadth of clients with minimal client overlap; broaden the addressable market opportunity within existing and new verticals as well as clients; expand the addressable pool of skilled labor; leverage operational best practices across the Company's global platform, with the potential to convert more of its fixed cost to variable cost; and further enhance the growth and margin profile of the Company to drive shareholder value. This resulted in the Company paying a substantial premium for Alpine resulting in the recognition of goodwill.

The acquisition date fair value of the consideration transferred totaled \$149.0 million, which was funded through cash on hand of \$41.0 million and borrowings of \$108.0 million under the Company's credit agreement, dated May 3, 2012. See Note 11, Borrowings, for further information.

The Company accounted for the acquisition in accordance with ASC 805 "Business Combinations" ("ASC 805"), whereby the purchase price paid was allocated to the tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired and

liabilities assumed from Alpine based on their estimated fair values as of the closing date. During the three months ended December 31, 2012, the final working capital adjustment was approved by the authorized representative of Alpine's shareholders. The Company finalized its purchase price allocation during the three months ended December 31, 2012, resulting in no changes from the estimated acquisition date fair values previously reported.

The following table summarizes the final purchase price allocation of the fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, all included in the Americas segment (in thousands):

		Amount
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,859
Receivables		11,831
Prepaid expenses		617
Total current assets	·	14,307
Property and equipment		11,326
Goodwill		80,766
Intangibles		57,720
Deferred charges and other assets		916
Accounts payable		(880)
Accrued employee compensation and benefits		(3,774)
Income taxes payable		(141)
Deferred revenue		(94)
Other accrued expenses and current liabilities		(601)
Total current liabilities		(5,490)
Other long-term liabilities (1)		(10,592)
	\$	148,953

<sup>(1)</sup> Primarily includes long-term deferred tax liabilities.

Fair values are based on management's estimates and assumptions including variations of the income approach, the cost approach and the market approach.

The following table presents the Company's purchased intangible assets as of August 20, 2012, the acquisition date (in thousands):

		Weighted
		Average
		Amortization
	Amount Assigned	Period (years)
Customer relationships	\$ 46,000	8
Trade names	10,600	8
Non-compete agreements	670	2
Favorable lease agreement	450	2
	\$ 57,720	8

The \$80.8 million of goodwill was assigned to the Company's Americas operating segment. Pursuant to Federal income tax regulations, no amount of intangibles or goodwill from this acquisition will be deductible for tax purposes.

The fair value of receivables acquired is \$11.8 million, with the gross contractual amount of \$11.8 million.

The following table presents the unaudited pro forma combined revenues and net earnings as if Alpine had been included in the consolidated results of the Company for the entire three month period ended March 31, 2012. The pro forma financial information is not indicative of the results of operations that would have been achieved if the acquisition and related borrowings had taken place on January 1, 2012 (in thousands):

	Three M	Months Ended
	Mar	ch 31, 2012
Revenues	\$	306,174
Income from continuing operations, net of taxes	\$	10,537
Income from continuing operations per common share:		
Basic	\$	0.24
Diluted	\$	0.24

These amounts have been calculated to reflect the additional depreciation, amortization and interest expense that would have been incurred assuming the fair value adjustments and borrowings occurred on January 1, 2012, together with the consequential tax effects. In addition, these amounts exclude costs incurred which are directly attributable to the acquisition, and which do not have a continuing impact on the combined companies' operating results. Included in these costs are severance, advisory and legal costs, net of the tax effects.

Merger and integration costs associated with Alpine, comprised of severance costs and transaction and integration costs, and included in "General and administrative" costs in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations for the three months ended March 31, 2013, were as follows (none in the comparable period in 2012) (in thousands):

Three Mon	ths Ended
March 3	31, 2013
	,
\$	207
	159
	366
	320
	320
\$	686
	March 3

#### **Note 3. Discontinued Operations**

In November 2011, the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company approved a plan to sell its Spanish operations, which were operated through its Spanish subsidiary, Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated S.L. ("Sykes Spain"). Sykes Spain operated customer contact management centers, with annual revenues of approximately \$39.3 million in 2011, providing contact center services through a total of three customer contact management centers in Spain to clients in Spain. The decision to sell the Spanish operations was made in 2011 after management completed a strategic review of the Spanish market and determined the operations were no longer consistent with the Company's strategic direction.

On March 29, 2012, Sykes Spain entered into the asset purchase agreement, by and between Sykes Spain and Iberphone, S.A.U., and pursuant thereto, on March 29, 2012, Sykes Spain sold the fixed assets located in Ponferrada, Spain, which were previously written down to zero, cash of \$4.1 million, and certain contracts and licenses relating to the business of Sykes Spain, to Iberphone, S.A.U. Under the asset purchase agreement, Ponferrada, Spain employees were transferred to Iberphone S.A.U. which assumed certain payroll liabilities in the approximate amount of \$1.7 million, and paid a nominal purchase price for the assets.

On March 30, 2012, the Company entered into a stock purchase agreement with a former member of Sykes Spain's management, and pursuant thereto, on March 30, 2012, the Company sold all of the shares of capital stock of Sykes Spain to the purchaser for a nominal price. Pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, immediately prior to closing, the Company made a cash capital contribution of \$8.6 million to Sykes Spain to cover a portion of Sykes Spain's liabilities and to fund the \$4.1 million of cash transferred and sold pursuant to the asset purchase agreement with Iberphone, S.A.U. discussed above. As this was a stock transaction, the Company anticipates no future obligation with regard to Sykes Spain and there are no material post-closing obligations.

The Company reflected the operating results related to the Spanish operations as discontinued operations in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three months ended March 31, 2012. Cash flows from discontinued operations are included in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the three months ended March 31, 2012. This business was historically reported by the Company as part of the EMEA segment.

**Three Months Ended** 

The results of the Spanish operations included in discontinued operations were as follows (none in 2013) (in thousands):

		March 31, 2012
Revenues	\$	10,102
	=	
(Loss) from discontinued operations before income taxes	\$	(820)
Income taxes (1)		-
(Loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	\$	(820)
	<del>-</del>	
(Loss) on sale of discontinued operations before income taxes	\$	(10,707)
Income taxes (1)		-
(Loss) on sale of discontinued operations, net of taxes	\$	(10,707)
-		

<sup>(1)</sup> There were no income taxes as any tax benefit from the losses would be offset by a valuation allowance.

#### Note 4. Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities

#### Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan

During 2011, the Company announced a plan to rationalize seats in certain U.S. sites and close certain locations in EMEA (the "Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan"). The details are described below, by segment.

#### **Americas**

During 2011, as part of an on-going effort to streamline excess capacity related to the integration of the ICT Group, Inc. ("ICT") acquisition and align it with the needs of the market, the Company announced a plan to rationalize approximately 900 seats in the U.S., some of which were revenue generating, with plans to migrate the associated revenues to other locations within the U.S. Approximately 300 employees were affected and the Company has completed the actions associated with the Americas plan.

The major costs estimated to be incurred as a result of these actions are program transfer costs, facility-related costs (primarily consisting of those costs associated with the real estate leases), and impairments of long-lived assets (primarily leasehold improvements and equipment) estimated at \$1.9 million as of March 31, 2013 (\$1.9 million at December 31, 2012). The Company recorded \$0.5 million of the costs associated with these actions as non-cash impairment charges, while approximately \$1.4 million represents cash expenditures for program transfer and facility-related costs, including obligations under the leases, the last of which ends in February 2017. The Company has paid \$0.7 million in cash through March 31, 2013 under the Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan in the Americas.

The following table summarizes the accrued liability associated with the Americas Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan's exit or disposal activities and related charges for the three months ended March 31, 2013 (none in the comparable period in 2012) (in thousands):

		Charges (Reversals) for the			
	Beginning Accrual	Three Months Ended March 31,		Other Non-Cash	<b>Ending Accrual at</b>
	at January 1, 2013	2013	Cash Payments	Changes	March 31, 2013
Lease obligations and facility exit costs	\$ 682	\$ -	\$ (35)	\$ -	\$ 647

#### EMEA

During 2011, to improve the Company's overall profitability in the EMEA region, the Company committed to close a customer contact management center in South Africa and a customer contact management center in Ireland, as well as some capacity rationalization in the Netherlands, all components of the EMEA segment. Through these actions, the Company expects to improve its cost structure in the EMEA region by optimizing its capacity utilization. While the Company migrated approximately \$3.2 million of annualized call volumes of the Ireland facility to other facilities within EMEA, the Company did not migrate the remaining call volume in Ireland or any of the annualized revenue from the Netherlands or South Africa facilities, which was \$18.8 million for 2011, to other facilities within the region. The number of seats rationalized across the EMEA region approximated 900 with approximately 500 employees affected by the actions. The Company closed these facilities and substantially completed the actions associated with the EMEA plan on September 30, 2012.

The major costs estimated to be incurred as a result of these actions are facility-related costs (primarily consisting of those costs associated with the real estate leases), impairments of long-lived assets (primarily leasehold improvements and equipment) and anticipated severance-related costs estimated at \$6.7 million as of March 31, 2013 (\$6.7 million as of December 31, 2012). The Company recorded \$0.5 million of the costs associated with these actions as non-cash impairment charges, while approximately \$6.2 million represents cash expenditures for severance and related costs and facility-related costs, primarily rent obligations to be paid through the remainder of the noncancelable term of the leases, the last of which ended in March 2013. The Company has paid \$5.9 million in cash through March 31, 2013 under the Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan in EMEA.

The Company charged \$0.7 million to "Direct salaries and related costs" for severance and related costs and \$0.3 million to "General and administrative" costs for lease obligations and facility exit costs, severance and related costs and legal-related costs in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations for the three months ended March 31, 2012.

The following tables summarize the accrued liability associated with EMEA's Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan's exit or disposal activities and related charges for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

				narges sals) for the			
		ing Accrual	Ended	ee Months   March 31,   013 <sup>(1)</sup>	Cash Payments	Other Non-Cash Changes (2)	Ending Accrual at March 31, 2013
Lease obligations and facility exit costs	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Severance and related costs		187		6	(7)	(4)	182
Legal-related costs		10		1	(7)	1	5
	\$	197	\$	7	\$ (14)	\$ (3)	\$ 187
				harges sals) for the			
	Beginn	ing Accrual		e Months March 31,		Other Non-Cash	<b>Ending Accrual at</b>
	at Janu	ary 1, 2012	2	012 (1)	Cash Payments	Changes (2)	March 31, 2012
Lease obligations and facility exit costs	\$	577	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 18	\$ 595
Severance and related costs		4,470		948	(367)	168	5,219
Legal-related costs		13		51	(51)	1	14
	\$	5.060	\$	999	\$ (418)	\$ 187	\$ 5.828

During the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company recorded additional severance and related costs and legal-related costs.

#### Fourth Quarter 2010 Exit Plan

During 2010, in furtherance of the Company's long-term goals to manage and optimize capacity utilization, the Company committed to and closed a customer contact management center in the United Kingdom and a customer contact management center in Ireland, both components of the EMEA segment (the "Fourth Quarter 2010 Exit Plan"). These actions were substantially completed by January 31, 2011.

The major costs incurred as a result of these actions were facility-related costs (primarily consisting of those costs associated with the real estate leases), impairments of long-lived assets (primarily leasehold improvements and equipment) and severance-related costs totaling \$2.2 million as of March 31, 2013 (\$2.2 million as of December 31, 2012). The Company recorded \$0.2 million of the costs associated with the Fourth Quarter 2010 Exit Plan as non-cash impairment charges. Approximately \$1.8 million represents cash expenditures for facility-related costs, primarily rent obligations to be paid through the remainder of the lease terms, the last of which ends in March 2014, and \$0.2 million represents cash expenditures for severance-related costs. The Company has paid \$1.4 million in cash through March 31, 2013 under the Fourth Quarter 2010 Exit Plan.

The following tables summarize the accrued liability associated with the Fourth Quarter 2010 Exit Plan's exit or disposal activities and related charges during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

	Beginning Accrual	Charges (Reversals) for the			
	at	Three Months Ended March 31,		Other Non-Cash	<b>Ending Accrual at</b>
	January 1, 2013	2013	Cash Payments	Changes (1)	March 31, 2013
Lease obligations and facility exit costs	\$ 537	\$ -	\$ (75)	\$ (13)	\$ 449
	Beginning Accrual	Charges (Reversals) for the			
	8 8	Three Months			<b>Ending Accrual at</b>
	at	Ended March 31,		Other Non-Cash	
	January 1, 2012	2012	Cash Payments	Changes (1)	March 31, 2012
Lease obligations and facility exit costs	\$ 835	\$ -	\$ (96)	\$ 25	\$ 764

<sup>(1)</sup> Effect of foreign currency translation.

Effect of foreign currency translation.

#### Third Quarter 2010 Exit Plan

During 2010, consistent with the Company's long-term goals to manage and optimize capacity utilization, the Company closed or committed to close four customer contact management centers in The Philippines and consolidated or committed to consolidate leased space in our Wilmington, Delaware and Newtown, Pennsylvania locations (the "Third Quarter 2010 Exit Plan"). These actions were substantially completed by January 31, 2011.

The major costs incurred as a result of these actions were impairments of long-lived assets (primarily leasehold improvements) and facility-related costs (primarily consisting of those costs associated with the real estate leases) estimated at \$10.5 million as of March 31, 2013 (\$10.5 million as of December 31, 2012), all of which are in the Americas segment. The Company recorded \$3.8 million of the costs associated with the Third Quarter 2010 Exit Plan as non-cash impairment charges. The remaining \$6.7 million represents cash expenditures for facility-related costs, primarily rent obligations to be paid through the remainder of the lease terms, the last of which ends in February 2017. The Company has paid \$4.4 million in cash through March 31, 2013 under the Third Quarter 2010 Exit Plan.

The following tables summarize the accrued liability associated with the Third Quarter 2010 Exit Plan's exit or disposal activities and related charges for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

		Charges (Reversals) for the			
	Beginning Accrual	Three Months Ended March 31,		Other Non-Cash	<b>Ending Accrual at</b>
	at January 1, 2013	2013	Cash Payments	Changes (1)	March 31, 2013
Lease obligations and facility exit costs	\$ 2,551	<u>\$</u>	\$ (224)	\$ 1	\$ 2,328
		Charges (Reversals) for the			
	Beginning Accrual	Three Months			<b>Ending Accrual at</b>
	at January 1, 2012	Ended March 31, 2012	Cash Payments	Other Non-Cash Changes (1)	March 31, 2012
Lease obligations and facility exit costs	\$ 3,427	\$ -	\$ (477)	\$ -	\$ 2,950

<sup>(1)</sup> Effect of foreign currency translation.

#### Restructuring Liability Classification

The following table summarizes the Company's short-term and long-term accrued liabilities associated with its exit and disposal activities, by plan, as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 (in thousands):

	F	nericas ourth rter 2011	Fo	MEA ourth ter 2011	Qı	ourth uarter 10 Exit	Q	Third uarter 10 Exit		
	Ex	it Plan	Exi	t Plan	I	Plan		Plan		Total
March 31, 2013										
Short-term accrued restructuring liability (1)	\$	144	\$	187	\$	449	\$	535	\$	1,315
Long-term accrued restructuring liability (2)		503		-		-		1,793		2,296
Ending accrual at March 31, 2013	\$	647	\$	187	\$	449	\$	2,328	\$	3,611
December 31, 2012										
Short-term accrued restructuring liability (1)	\$	138	\$	197	\$	448	\$	618	\$	1,401
Long-term accrued restructuring liability (2)		544		-		91		1,933	_	2,568
Ending accrual at December 31, 2012	\$	682	\$	197	\$	539	\$	2,551	\$	3,969

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in "Other accrued expenses and current liabilities" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

<sup>(2)</sup> Included in "Other long-term liabilities" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

#### Note 5. Fair Value

The Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis subject to the requirements of ASC 820 consist of the following (in thousands):

		Fair Value Measurements at March 31, 2013 Using:							
			lance at ch 31, 2013	ir Ma <u>Iden</u>	oted Prices a Active rkets For tical Assets evel (1)	Obs	nificant Other servable nputs evel (2)	Unobs	ificant servable puts vel (3)
Assets:					_				
Money market funds and open-end mutual funds included in "Cash and cash equivalents"	(1)	\$	7,410	\$	7,410	\$	-	\$	_
Money market funds and open-end mutual funds in "Deferred charges and other assets"	(1)		11		11		_		-
Foreign currency forward and option contracts	(2)		2,840		-		2,840		-
Foreign currency forward contracts	(3)		433		-		433		-
Equity investments held in a rabbi trust for the Deferred Compensation Plan	(4)		3,799		3,799		-		-
Debt investments held in a rabbi trust for the									
Deferred Compensation Plan	(4)		1,238		1,238		-		-
Guaranteed investment certificates	(5)		80		-		80		-
		\$	15,811	\$	12,458	\$	3,353	\$	-
Liabilities:				<u></u>		<del></del>			
Foreign currency forward and option contracts	(6)	\$	1,102	\$		\$	1,102	\$	-
		\$	1,102	\$	-	\$	1,102	\$	-

The Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis subject to the requirements of ASC 820 consist of the following (in thousands):

		Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2012 Using:							
		_	alance at nber 31, 2012	in Mar Ident	ted Prices Active rkets For ical Assets evel (1)	Obs	nificant Other ervable nputs vel (2)	Unob	ificant servable puts vel (3)
Assets:									
Money market funds and open-end mutual funds included in "Cash and cash equivalents"	(1)	\$	7,598	\$	7,598	\$	-	\$	-
Money market funds and open-end mutual funds in "Deferred charges and other assets"	(1)		11		11		-		-
Foreign currency forward and option contracts	(2)		2,008		-		2,008		-
Equity investments held in a rabbi trust for the Deferred Compensation Plan	(3)		3,212		3,212		-		-
Debt investments held in a rabbi trust for the	(3)		2010		2010				
Deferred Compensation Plan	(4)		2,049		2,049		-		-
Guaranteed investment certificates	(4)	<u></u>	14.059	<u>c</u>	12.070	ф.	2.000	<u></u>	
		3	14,958	<u>3</u>	12,870	<b>3</b>	2,088	<b>3</b>	
Liabilities:									
Foreign currency forward and option contracts	(5)	\$	974	\$		\$	974	\$	
		\$	974	\$	-	\$	974	\$	-
								-	

<sup>(1)</sup> In the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

<sup>(1)</sup> In the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.
(2) Included in "Other current assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. See Note 7.
(3) Included in "Deferred charges and other assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. See Note 7.
(4) Included in "Deferred charges and other assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. See Note 7.

<sup>(4)</sup> Included in "Other current assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. See Note 8.

<sup>(5)</sup> Included in "Deferred charges and other assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

<sup>(6)</sup> Included in "Other accrued expenses and current liabilities" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. See Note 7.

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<sup>(5)</sup> Included in "Other accrued expenses and current liabilities" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. See Note 7.

Certain assets, under certain conditions, are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis utilizing Level 3 inputs as described in Note 1, Overview and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, like those associated with acquired businesses, including goodwill, other intangible assets and other long-lived assets. For these assets, measurement at fair value in periods subsequent to their initial recognition would be applicable if these assets were determined to be impaired. The adjusted carrying values for assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis (no liabilities) subject to the requirements of ASC 820 were not material at December 31, 2012 (none at March 31, 2013).

The following table summarizes the total impairment losses related to nonrecurring fair value measurements of certain assets (no liabilities) subject to the requirements of ASC 820 (in thousands):

	T	Total Impairment (Loss)						
	Thre	Three Months Ended March 31,						
	20	013	2012					
Americas:								
Property and equipment, net (1)	\$		\$	(149)				

<sup>(1)</sup> See Note 1 for additional information regarding the fair value measurement.

#### Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

During the three months ended March 31, 2012, as part of an on-going effort to streamline excess capacity related to the integration of the ICT acquisition and align it with the needs of the market, the Company closed one of its customer contact management centers in Costa Rica (a component of the Americas segment), and recorded an impairment charge of \$0.1 million for the carrying value of the long-lived assets that could not be redeployed to other locations.

#### Note 6. Intangible Assets

The following table presents the Company's purchased intangible assets as of March 31, 2013 (in thousands):

		Accumulated		Weighted Average
			Amortization	
	Gross Intangibles	Amortization	Net Intangibles	Period (years)
Customer relationships	\$ 104,005	\$ (26,669)	\$ 77,336	8
Trade name	11,600	(1,810)	9,790	8
Non-compete agreements	1,226	(763)	463	2
Proprietary software	850	(823)	27	2
Favorable lease agreement	450	(138)	312	2
	\$ 118,131	\$ (30,203)	\$ 87,928	8

The following table presents the Company's purchased intangible assets as of December 31, 2012 (in thousands):

						Weighted Average	
	Accumulated						Amortization
	Gross Ir	<b>Gross Intangibles</b>		gibles Amortization		Intangibles	Period (years)
Customer relationships	\$	104,483	\$	(23,552)	\$	80,931	8
Trade name		11,600		(1,451)		10,149	8
Non-compete agreements		1,229		(681)		548	2
Proprietary software		850		(810)		40	2
Favorable lease agreement		450		(81)		369	2
	\$	118,612	\$	(26,575)	\$	92,037	8

The Company's estimated future amortization expense for the succeeding years relating to the purchased intangible assets resulting from acquisitions completed prior to March 31, 2013, is as follows (in thousands):

Years Ending December 31,	Amount
2013 (remaining nine months)	\$ 11,156
2014	14,651
2015	14,292
2016	14,292
2017	14,292
2018	7,682
2019 and thereafter	11,563

#### **Note 7. Financial Derivatives**

Cash Flow Hedges – The Company had derivative assets and liabilities relating to outstanding forward contracts and options, designated as cash flow hedges, as defined under ASC 815, consisting of Philippine Peso and Costa Rican Colon, Hungarian Forint and Romanian Leu contracts. These contracts are entered into to protect against the risk that the eventual cash flows resulting from such transactions will be adversely affected by changes in exchange rates.

The deferred gains (losses) and related taxes on the Company's derivative instruments recorded in "Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets are as follows (in thousands):

	Mar	ch 31, 2013	Decemb	oer 31, 2012
Deferred gains (losses) in AOCI	\$	1,459	\$	(512)
Tax on deferred gains (losses) in AOCI		(10)		(58)
Deferred gains (losses) in AOCI, net of taxes	\$	1,449	\$	(570)
Deferred gains (losses) expected to be reclassified to "Revenues" from AOCI during the next twelve months	\$	1,459		

Deferred gains (losses) and other future reclassifications from AOCI will fluctuate with movements in the underlying market price of the forward contracts and options.

Net Investment Hedge – During 2013, the Company entered into foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge its net investment in a foreign operation, as defined under ASC 815. The Company did not hedge net investments in foreign operations during 2012. The purpose of these derivative instruments is to protect the Company's interests against the risk that the net assets of certain foreign subsidiaries will be adversely affected by changes in exchange rates and economic exposures related to the Company's foreign currency-based investments in these subsidiaries.

Other Hedges – The Company also periodically enters into foreign currency hedge contracts that are not designated as hedges as defined under ASC 815. The purpose of these derivative instruments is to protect the Company's interests against adverse foreign currency moves pertaining to intercompany receivables and payables, and other assets and liabilities that are denominated in currencies other than the Company's subsidiaries' functional currencies. These contracts generally do not exceed 180 days in duration.

The Company had the following outstanding foreign currency forward contracts and options (in thousands):

	As of March 31, 2013			As of Decem	nber 31, 2012																																										
Notional Amount in		Settle Through	Notional Amount in		Settle Through																																										
	USD	Date	USD		USD		Date																																								
\$	77,000	December 2013	\$	71,000	September 2013																																										
	5,000	August 2013		5,000	August 2013																																										
	44,250	December 2013		60,750	December 2013																																										
	3,647	January 2014		4,744	January 2014																																										
	5,570	January 2014	6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		6,895		January 2014
	32,657	September 2014		-	-																																										
	39,770	<b>July 2013</b>	41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		41,799		June 2013												
	An	Notional Amount in  USD  \$ 77,000  \$ 5,000  44,250  3,647  5,570  32,657	Notional   Amount in   Settle Through	Notional   Amount in   Settle Through   Amount in	Notional Amount in         Settle Through         Notional Amount in           USD         Date         USD           \$ 77,000         December 2013         \$ 71,000           5,000         August 2013         5,000           44,250         December 2013         60,750           3,647         January 2014         4,744           5,570         January 2014         6,895																																										

See Note 1, Overview and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, for additional information on the Company's purpose for entering into derivatives not designated as hedging instruments and its overall risk management strategies.

As of March 31, 2013, the maximum amount of loss due to credit risk that the Company would incur if parties to the financial instruments that make up the concentration failed to perform according to the terms of the contracts was \$3.3 million, based on the gross fair value of the financial instruments.

Master netting agreements exist with each respective counterparty used to transact foreign exchange derivatives. These agreements allow the Company to net settle transactions of the same currency in a single transaction. In the event of default by the Company or one of its counterparties, these agreements include a set-off clause that provides the non-defaulting party the right to net settle all derivative transactions, regardless of the currency and settlement date. However, the Company has elected to present the derivative assets and derivative liabilities on a gross basis in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Additionally, the Company is not required to pledge nor is it entitled to receive cash collateral related to these derivative transactions.

The following tables present the fair value of the Company's derivative instruments included in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands):

	Derivative Assets			
	March 31, 2013 Fair Value		Decen	nber 31, 2012
			Fair Value	
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedging instruments under ASC 815:				
Foreign currency forward and option contracts (1)	\$	2,622	\$	1,080
Foreign currency forward and option contracts (2)		-		14
		2,622		1,094
Derivatives designated as net investment hedging instruments under ASC 815:				
Foreign currency forward contracts (2)		433		-
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments under ASC 815:				
Foreign currency forward contracts (1)		218		914
Total derivative assets	\$	3,273	\$	2,008

	Derivative Liabilities			
	March 31, 2013		Dec	ember 31, 2012
	Fair Value			Fair Value
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedging instruments under ASC 815:				
Foreign currency forward and option contracts (3)	\$	209	\$	904
Foreign currency forward and option contracts (4)		-		8
		209		912
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments under ASC 815:				
Foreign currency forward contracts (3)		893		62
Total derivative liabilities	\$	1,102	\$	974

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in "Other current assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

<sup>(2)</sup> Included in "Deferred charges and other assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Included in "Other accrued expenses and current liabilities" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

<sup>(4)</sup> Included in "Other long-term liabilities" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The following tables present the effect of the Company's derivative instruments included in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

	 in AOCI on Derivatives (Effective Portion)			From Accumulated AOCI Into "Revenues" (Effective Portion)			'Revenues'' ( (Ineffectiv				
	 Marc	h 31,			Marc	ch 31,			Mar	ch 31,	
	2013		2012	2	013	2	2012	20	013	20	012
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedging instruments under ASC 815:											
Foreign currency forward and option contracts	\$ 2,717	\$	2,674	\$	731	\$	240	\$	12	\$	14
Derivatives designated as net investment hedging instruments under ASC 815:											
Foreign currency forward contracts	 433		<u> </u>		<u>-</u>		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		
Foreign currency forward and option contracts	\$ 3,150	\$	2,674	\$	731	\$	240	\$	12	\$	14
							Gain (Loss)				

	Ga	Gain (Loss) Recognized		
	in	in "Other income and		
		(expense)" on		
		Derivatives		
		March 31,		
		2013 201		012
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments under ASC 815:				
Foreign currency forward contracts	\$	(525)	\$	(472)

#### Note 8. Investments Held in Rabbi Trust

The Company's investments held in rabbi trust, classified as trading securities and included in "Other current assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, at fair value, consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2013			December 31, 2012		
-	Cost	Fair	· Value	Cost	Fai	ir Value
Mutual funds	\$ 4,197	\$	5,037	\$ 4,812	\$	5,261

The mutual funds held in the rabbi trusts were 75% equity-based and 25% debt-based as of March 31, 2013. Net investment income (losses), included in "Other income (expense)" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations consists of the following (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31,				
	2013			2012	
Gross realized gains from sale of trading securities	\$	96	\$	81	
Gross realized (losses) from sale of trading securities		(3)		(1)	
Dividend and interest income		10		7	
Net unrealized holding gains (losses)		195		359	
Net investment income (losses)	\$	298	\$	446	

#### Note 9. Deferred Revenue

The components of deferred revenue consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Future service	\$24,616	\$25,074
Estimated potential penalties and holdbacks	9,284	9,209
	\$33,900	\$34,283

#### **Note 10. Deferred Grants**

The components of deferred grants consist of the following (in thousands):

	<b>March 31, 2013</b>	<b>December 31, 2012</b>
Property grants	\$7,035	\$7,270
Employment grants	423	337
Total long-term deferred grants (1)	<b>\$7,458</b>	\$7,607

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(1)</sup> Included in "Deferred grants" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Amortization of the Company's property grants included as a reduction to "General and administrative" costs and amortization of the Company's employment grants included as a reduction to "Direct salaries and related costs" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations consist of the following (in thousands):

	Three Months 1	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2013	2012			
Amortization of property grants	\$ 235	\$ 235			
Amortization of employment grants	18	18			
	<u>\$ 253</u>	<u>\$ 253</u>			

#### **Note 11. Borrowings**

On May 3, 2012, the Company entered into a \$245 million revolving credit facility (the "2012 Credit Agreement") with a group of lenders and KeyBank National Association, as Lead Arranger, Sole Book Runner and Administrative Agent ("KeyBank"). The 2012 Credit Agreement replaces the Company's previous \$75 million revolving credit facility (the "2010 Credit Agreement") dated February 2, 2010, as amended, which agreement was terminated simultaneous with entering into the 2012 Credit Agreement. The 2012 Credit Agreement is subject to certain borrowing limitations and includes certain customary financial and restrictive covenants. The Company borrowed \$108.0 million under the 2012 Credit Agreement's revolving credit facility on August 20, 2012 in connection with the acquisition of Alpine on such date. See Note 2, Acquisition of Alpine Access, Inc., for further information.

The 2012 Credit Agreement includes a \$184 million alternate-currency sub-facility, a \$10 million swingline sub-facility and a \$35 million letter of credit sub-facility, and may be used for general corporate purposes including acquisitions, share repurchases, working capital support and letters of credit, subject to certain limitations. The Company is not currently aware of any inability of its lenders to provide access to the full commitment of funds that exist under the revolving credit facility, if necessary. However, there can be no assurance that such facility will be available to the Company, even though it is a binding commitment of the financial institutions.

Borrowings consist of the following (in thousands):

	Ma	rch 31, 2013	Decemb	er 31, 2012
Revolving credit facility	\$	111,000	\$	91,000
Less: Current portion				
Total long-term debt	\$	111,000	\$	91,000

The 2012 Credit Agreement matures on May 2, 2017 and has no varying installments due.

Borrowings under the 2012 Credit Agreement will bear interest at either LIBOR or the base rate plus, in each case, an applicable margin based on the Company's leverage ratio. The applicable interest rate will be determined quarterly based on the Company's leverage ratio at such time. The base rate is a rate per annum equal to the greatest of (i) the rate of interest established by KeyBank, from time to time, as its "prime rate"; (ii) the Federal Funds effective rate in effect from time to time, plus 1/2 of 1% per annum; and (iii) the then-applicable LIBOR rate for one month interest periods, plus 1.00%. Swingline loans will bear interest only at the base rate plus the base rate margin. In addition, the Company is required to pay certain customary fees, including a commitment fee of 0.175%, which is due quarterly in arrears and calculated on the average unused amount of the 2012 Credit Agreement.

The 2012 Credit Agreement is guaranteed by all of the Company's existing and future direct and indirect material U.S. subsidiaries and secured by a pledge of 100% of the non-voting and 65% of the voting capital stock of all the direct foreign subsidiaries of the Company and those of the guarantors.

In May 2012, the Company paid an underwriting fee of \$0.9 million for the 2012 Credit Agreement, which is deferred and amortized over the term of the loan. In addition, the Company pays a quarterly commitment fee on the 2012 Credit Agreement.

The 2012 Credit Agreement had \$111.0 million of outstanding borrowings as of March 31, 2013, with an average daily utilization of \$91.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 (none in the comparable period in 2012). During the three months ended March 31, 2013, the related interest expense, excluding amortization of deferred loan fees, under our credit agreements was \$0.3 million, which represented a weighted average interest rate of 1.4% for the three months ended March 31, 2013 (none in the comparable period in 2012).

#### **Note 12. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

The Company presents data in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity in accordance with ASC 220 "Comprehensive Income" ("ASC 220"). ASC 220 establishes rules for the reporting of comprehensive income (loss) and its components. The components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) consist of the following (in thousands):

	reign rency	G	Unrealized Sain (Loss) on	A	Unrealized ctuarial Gain Loss) Related	C	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on	Unrealized Gain (Loss) on	
	slation (Loss)		Net Investment Hedge	`	to Pension Liability		Cash Flow Hedging Instruments	Post Retirement Obligation	Total
Balance at January 1, 2012	\$ 5,995	\$	(2,565)	\$	985	\$	(438)		\$ 4,436
Pre-tax amount	9,516		` - ′		499		4,417	92	14,524
Tax (provision) benefit	-		-		(90)		(306)	-	(396)
Reclassification to net income	570		-		(48)		(4,174)	(56)	(3,708)
Foreign currency translation	2		-		67		(69)	-	-
Balance at December 31, 2012	 16,083		(2,565)		1,413		(570)	495	14,856
Pre-tax amount	(5,736)		433		-		2,729	(27)	(2,601)
Tax (provision) benefit	-		(151)		(5)		43	-	(113)
Reclassification to net income	-		-		(10)		(738)	(16)	(764)
Foreign currency translation	8		-		7		(15)		-
Balance at March 31, 2013	\$ 10,355	\$	(2,283)	\$	1,405	\$	1,449	\$ 452	\$ 11,378

The following table summarizes the amounts reclassified to net income from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) and the associated line item in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands):

**Three Months Ended** 

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#### March 31, 2013 **Income Statement Location** Unrealized Actuarial Gain (Loss) Related to Pension Liability: Pre-tax amount \$ 15 Direct salaries and related costs Pre-tax amount General and administrative Tax (provision) benefit (5) Income taxes Reclassification to net income 10 Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Cash Flow Hedging Instruments: (2) Pre-tax amount 743 Revenues Tax (provision) benefit (5)Income taxes Reclassification to net income 738 Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Post Retirement Obligation: (1) Pre-tax amount 16 General and administrative Tax (provision) benefit Income taxes

Reclassification to net income

Total reclassification to net income

Except as discussed in Note 13, Income Taxes, earnings associated with the Company's investments in its subsidiaries are considered to be indefinitely invested and no provision for income taxes on those earnings or translation adjustments have been provided.

<sup>(1)</sup> See Note 16, Defined Benefit Pension Plan and Postretirement Benefits, for further information.

See Note 7, Financial Derivatives, for further information.

#### **Note 13. Income Taxes**

The Company's effective tax rate was 32.9% and 23.8% for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The increase in the effective tax rate is primarily due to retroactive tax impact of The American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 that was signed into law on January 2, 2013. The difference between the Company's effective tax rate of 32.9% as compared to the U.S. statutory federal income tax rate of 35.0% was primarily due to the aforementioned legislation and the recognition of tax benefits resulting from income earned in certain tax holiday jurisdictions, foreign tax rate differentials, changes in unrecognized tax positions and tax credits, offset by the tax impact of permanent differences, adjustments of valuation allowances and foreign withholding taxes.

The liability for unrecognized tax benefits is recorded as "Long-term income tax liabilities" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company has accrued \$16.4 million at March 31, 2013, and \$16.9 million at December 31, 2012, excluding penalties and interest. The \$0.5 million decrease results primarily from fluctuations in foreign exchange rates.

Generally, earnings associated with the investments in the Company's foreign subsidiaries are considered to be indefinitely invested outside of the U.S. Therefore, a U.S. provision for income taxes on those earnings or translation adjustments has not been recorded, as permitted by criterion outlined in ASC 740. Determination of any unrecognized deferred tax liability for temporary differences related to investments in foreign subsidiaries that are essentially permanent in nature is not practicable.

In 2013, the Company executed offshore cash movements to take advantage of The American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (the "Act") passed on January 2, 2013, with retroactive application to January 1, 2012. This Act, which extended the tax provisions of the Internal Revenue Code Section 954(c)(6) through the end of 2013, permits continued tax deferral on such movements that would otherwise be taxable immediately in the U.S. While these cash movements are not taxable in the U.S., related foreign withholding taxes of \$2.6 million were included in the provision for income taxes in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations for the three months ended March 31, 2013.

In addition, the U.S. Department of the Treasury released the "General Explanations of the Administration's Fiscal Year 2014 Revenue Proposals" in April 2013. These proposals represent a significant shift in international tax policy, which may materially impact U.S. taxation of international earnings. The Company continues to monitor these proposals and is currently evaluating the potential impact on its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

The Company is currently under audit in several tax jurisdictions. In April 2012, the Company received an assessment for the Canadian 2003-2006 audit for which the Company filed a Notice of Objection in July 2012. This process will allow the Company to submit the case to the U.S. and Canada Competent Authority for ultimate resolution. As required by the Notice of Objection process, the Company paid mandatory security deposits in the amount of \$14.6 million to the Canadian tax authorities in 2012. In January 2013, the Company received a partial assessment for the Canadian 2007 audit and paid the Canadian Revenue Agency an additional security deposit of \$0.3 million for the 2007 tax year. These deposits are included in "Deferred charges and other assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012. Although the outcome of examinations by taxing authorities is always uncertain, the Company believes it is adequately reserved for these audits and that resolutions of them are not expected to have a material impact on its financial condition and results of operations.

The significant tax jurisdictions currently under audit are as follows:

Tax Jurisdiction	Tax Year Ended
Canada	2003 to 2009
Philippines	2007 to 2009
United States	2010 to 2012

#### Note 14. Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share are based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the periods. Diluted earnings per share includes the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the respective periods and the further dilutive effect, if any, from stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units and shares held in a rabbi trust using the treasury stock method.

The numbers of shares used in the earnings per share computation are as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2013	2012		
Basic:				
Weighted average common shares outstanding	43,036	43,309		
Diluted:				
Dilutive effect of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock,				
restricted stock units and shares held in a rabbi trust	16	100		
Total weighted average diluted shares outstanding	43,052	43,409		
Anti-dilutive shares excluded from the diluted earnings per share calculation	18	1		

On August 18, 2011, the Company's Board authorized the Company to purchase up to 5.0 million shares of its outstanding common stock (the "2011 Share Repurchase Program"). A total of 3.0 million shares have been repurchased under the 2011 Share Repurchase Program since inception. The shares are purchased, from time to time, through open market purchases or in negotiated private transactions, and the purchases are based on factors, including but not limited to, the stock price, management discretion and general market conditions. The 2011 Share Repurchase Program has no expiration date. The Company's Board previously authorized the Company on August 5, 2002 to purchase up to 3.0 million shares of its outstanding common stock, the last of which were repurchased during 2011.

The shares repurchased under the Company's share repurchase programs were as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Total Number of	Range of Prices Paid Per Share					otal Cost of
	Shares Repurchased		Low		High		Shares purchased
Three Months Ended:							
March 31, 2013	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
March 31, 2012	423	\$	13.85	\$	15.00	\$	6,200

#### Note 15. Commitments and Loss Contingency

#### Commitments

During the three months ended March 31, 2013, the Company entered into several leases in the ordinary course of business. The following is a schedule of future minimum rental payments required under operating leases that have noncancelable lease terms as of March 31, 2013 (in thousands):

	Amount		
2013 (remaining nine months)	\$	1,102	
2014		1,850	
2015		1,903	
2016		795	
2017		585	
2018		346	
2019 and thereafter		59	
Total minimum payments required	\$	6,640	

During the three months ended March 31, 2013, the Company entered into agreements with third-party vendors in the ordinary course of business whereby the Company committed to purchase goods and services used in its normal operations. These agreements, which are not cancelable, generally range from one to five year periods and contain fixed or minimum annual commitments. Certain of these agreements allow for renegotiation of the minimum annual commitments based on certain conditions. The following is a schedule of the future minimum purchases remaining under the agreements as of March 31, 2013 (in thousands):

	Amount	
2013 (remaining nine months)	\$	2,192
2014		2,953
2015		2,040
2016		436
2017		-
2018		-
2019 and thereafter		<u>-</u>
Total minimum payments required	\$	7,621

Except as outlined above, there have not been any material changes to the outstanding contractual obligations from the disclosure in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

#### **Loss Contingency**

The Company from time to time is involved in legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. With respect to these matters, management believes that the Company has adequate legal defenses and/or provided adequate accruals for related costs such that the ultimate outcome will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

#### Note 16. Defined Benefit Pension Plan and Postretirement Benefits

#### **Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

The following table provides information about the net periodic benefit cost for the Company's pension plans (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31,						
	2013	2012					
Service cost	\$ 88	\$	93				
Interest cost	29		30				
Recognized actuarial (gains)	(15)		(12)				
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 102	\$	111				

#### **Employee Retirement Savings Plans**

The Company maintains a 401(k) plan covering defined employees who meet established eligibility requirements. Under the plan provisions, the Company matches 50% of participant contributions to a maximum matching amount of 2% of participant compensation. The Company's contributions included in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months En	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2013	2012			
11(k) plan contributions	\$ 233	\$ 4	109		

In connection with the acquisition of Alpine in August 2012, the Company assumed Alpine's employee benefit plan (Section 401(k)). Under this employee benefit plan, the Company makes a matching contribution on an annual basis in the amount of 100% of the employee contribution for the first 3% of included compensation plus 50% of the employee contribution for the next 2% of included compensation. Employees are 100% vested in contributions, earnings and matching funds at all times. No contributions were made during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012.

#### **Split-Dollar Life Insurance Arrangement**

In 1996, the Company entered into a split-dollar life insurance arrangement to benefit the former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Under the terms of the arrangement, the Company retained a collateral interest in the policy to the extent of the premiums paid by the Company. The postretirement benefit obligation included in "Other long-term liabilities" and the unrealized gains (losses) included in "Accumulated other comprehensive income" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets were as follows (in thousands):

	March	n 31, 2013	<b>December 31, 20</b>			
Postretirement benefit obligation	\$	72	\$	72		
Unrealized gains (losses) in AOCI (1)	\$	452	\$	495		

Unrealized gains (losses) are due to changes in discount rates related to the postretirement obligation.

#### **Note 17. Stock-Based Compensation**

The Company's stock-based compensation plans include the 2011 Equity Incentive Plan, the 2004 Non-Employee Director Fee Plan and the Deferred Compensation Plan. The following table summarizes the stock-based compensation expense (primarily in the Americas), income tax benefits related to the stock-based compensation and excess tax benefits (deficiencies) (in thousands):

	<u></u>	Three Months Ended March 31,					
		2013		2012			
Stock-based compensation (expense) (1)	\$	(664)	\$	(1,119)			
Income tax benefit (2)		232		436			
Excess tax benefit (deficiency) from stock-based compensation (3)		(34)		(278)			

- (1) Included in "General and administrative" costs in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.
- Included in "Income taxes" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.
- Included in "Additional paid-in capital" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholder's Equity.

There were no capitalized stock-based compensation costs as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

2011 Equity Incentive Plan — The Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") adopted the Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated 2011 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2011 Plan") on March 23, 2011, as amended on May 11, 2011 to reduce the number of shares of common stock available to 4.0 million shares. The 2011 Plan was approved by the shareholders at the May 2011 annual shareholders meeting. The 2011 Plan replaced and superseded the Company's 2001 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2001 Plan"), which expired on March 14, 2011. The outstanding awards granted under the 2001 Plan will remain in effect until their exercise, expiration or termination. The 2011 Plan permits the grant of restricted stock, stock appreciation rights, stock options and other stock-based awards to certain employees of the Company, and certain non-employees who provide services to the Company in order to encourage them to remain in the employment of or to faithfully provide services to the Company and to increase their interest in the Company's success.

<u>Stock Appreciation Rights</u> – Stock appreciation rights ("SARs") represent the right to receive, without payment to the Company, a certain number of shares of common stock, as determined by the Compensation and Human Resource Development Committee, equal to the amount by which the fair market value of a share of common stock at the time of exercise exceeds the grant price. The SARs are granted at the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the date of the grant and vest one-third on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant, provided the participant is employed by the Company on such date. The SARs have a term of 10 years from the date of grant. The fair value of each SAR is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes valuation model that uses various assumptions.

The following table summarizes the assumptions used to estimate the fair value of SARs granted:

	Three Months End	ed March 31,
	2013	2012
Expected volatility	45.2%	47.1%
Weighted-average volatility	45.2%	47.1%
Expected dividend rate	0.0%	0.0%
Expected term (in years)	5.0	4.7
Risk-free rate	0.8%	0.8%

The following table summarizes SARs activity as of March 31, 2013 and for the three months then ended:

		Ave	Weighted erage Exercise	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual	Aggregate Intrinsic Value	
Stock Appreciation Rights	Shares (000s)		Price	Term (in years)		(000s)
Outstanding at January 1, 2013	865	\$	-			
Granted	318	\$	-			
Exercised	-	\$	-			
Forfeited or expired		\$	-			
Outstanding at March 31, 2013	1,183	\$		7.8	\$	436
Vested or expected to vest at March 31, 2013	1,183	\$		7.8	\$	436
Exercisable at March 31, 2013	648	\$	-	6.4	\$	95

The following table summarizes information regarding SARs granted and exercised (in thousands, except per SAR amounts):

	Th	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2013		2012		
Number of SARs granted		318		259	
Weighted average grant-date fair value per SAR	\$	6.08	\$	5.97	
Intrinsic value of SARs exercised	\$	-	\$	-	
Fair value of SARs vested	\$	1,298	\$	1,388	

The following table summarizes nonvested SARs activity as of March 31, 2013 and for the three months then ended:

		•	ghted e Grant-
Nonvested Stock Appreciation Rights	Shares (000s)	Date Fa	ir Value
Nonvested at January 1, 2013	395	\$	6.74
Granted	318	\$	6.08
Vested	(178)	\$	7.28
Forfeited or expired		\$	-
Nonvested at March 31, 2013	535	\$	6.17

As of March 31, 2013, there was \$3.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, related to nonvested SARs granted under the 2011 Plan and 2001 Plan. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.7 years.

Restricted Shares — The Company's Board has approved in the past, and may approve in the future, awards of performance and employment-based restricted shares ("restricted shares") for eligible participants. In some instances, where the issuance of restricted shares has adverse tax consequences to the recipient, the Board will instead issue restricted stock units ("RSUs"). The restricted shares are shares of the Company's common stock (or in the case of RSUs, represent an equivalent number of shares of the Company's common stock) which are issued to the participant subject to (a) restrictions on transfer for a period of time and (b) forfeiture under certain conditions. The performance goals, including revenue growth and income from operations targets, provide a range of vesting possibilities from 0% to 100% and will be measured at the end of the performance period. If the performance conditions are met for the performance period, the shares will vest and all restrictions on the transfer of the restricted shares will lapse (or in the case of RSUs, an equivalent number of shares of the Company's common stock will be issued to the recipient). The Company recognizes compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, based on the fair value (which approximates the current market price) of the restricted shares (and RSUs) on the date of grant ratably over the requisite service period based on the probability of achieving the performance goals.

Changes in the probability of achieving the performance goals from period to period will result in corresponding changes in compensation expense. The employment-based restricted shares currently outstanding vest one-third on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant, provided the participant is employed by the Company on such date.

The following table summarizes nonvested restricted shares/RSUs activity as of March 31, 2013 and for the three months then ended:

Nonvested Restricted Shares and RSUs	Shares (000s)	Avera	Weighted Average Grant- Date Fair Value		
Nonvested at January 1, 2013	872	\$	18.25		
Granted	706	\$	15.25		
Vested	(20)	\$	18.11		
Forfeited or expired	(191)	\$	23.55		
Nonvested at March 31, 2013	1,367	\$	15.96		

The following table summarizes information regarding restricted shares/RSUs granted and vested (in thousands, except per restricted share/RSU amounts):

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	 2013		2012	
Number of restricted shares/RSUs granted	 706		420	
Weighted average grant-date fair value per restricted share/RSU	\$ 15.25	\$	15.21	
Fair value of restricted shares/RSUs vested	\$ 366	\$	3,845	

As of March 31, 2013, based on the probability of achieving the performance goals, there was \$21.4 million of total unrecognized compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, related to nonvested restricted shares/RSUs granted under the 2011 Plan and 2001 Plan. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.1 years.

2004 Non-Employee Director Fee Plan — The Company's 2004 Non-Employee Director Fee Plan (the "2004 Fee Plan"), as amended on May 17, 2012, provides that all new non-employee directors joining the Board will receive an initial grant of shares of common stock on the date the new director is elected or appointed, the number of which will be determined by dividing \$60,000 by the closing price of the Company's common stock on the trading day immediately preceding the date a new director is elected or appointed, rounded to the nearest whole number of shares. The initial grant of shares vests in twelve equal quarterly installments, one-twelfth on the date of grant and an additional one-twelfth on each successive third monthly anniversary of the date of grant. The award lapses with respect to all unvested shares in the event the non-employee director ceases to be a director of the Company, and any unvested shares are forfeited.

The 2004 Fee Plan also provides that each non-employee director will receive, on the day after the annual shareholders meeting, an annual retainer for service as a non-employee director (the "Annual Retainer"). Prior to May 17, 2012, the Annual Retainer was \$95,000, of which \$50,000 was payable in cash, and the remainder was paid in stock. The annual grant of cash vests in four equal quarterly installments, one-fourth on the day following the annual meeting of shareholders, and an additional one-fourth on each successive third monthly anniversary of the date of grant. The annual grant of shares paid to non-employee directors prior to May 17, 2012 vests in eight equal quarterly installments, one-eighth on the day following the annual meeting of shareholders, and an additional one-eighth on each successive third monthly anniversary of the date of grant. On May 17, 2012, upon the recommendation of the Compensation and Human Resource Development Committee, the Board adopted the Fifth Amended and Restated Non-Employee Director Fee Plan (the "Amendment"), which increased the common stock component of the Annual Retainer by \$30,000, resulting in a total Annual Retainer of \$125,000, of which \$50,000 is payable in cash and the remainder paid in stock. In addition, the Amendment also changed the vesting period for the annual equity award, from a two-year vesting period, to a one-year vesting period (consisting of four equal quarterly installments, one-fourth on the date of grant and an additional one-fourth on each successive third monthly anniversary of the date of grant). The award lapses with respect to all unpaid cash and unvested shares in the event the non-employee director ceases to be a director of the company, and any unvested shares and unpaid cash are forfeited.

In addition to the Annual Retainer award, the 2004 Fee Plan also provides for any non-employee Chairman of the Board to receive an additional annual cash award of \$100,000, and each non-employee director serving on a committee of the Board to receive an additional annual cash award. The additional annual cash award for the Chairperson of the Audit Committee is \$20,000 and Audit Committee members' are entitled to an annual cash award of \$10,000. Prior to May 20, 2011, the annual cash awards for the Chairpersons of the Compensation and Human Resource Development Committee, Finance Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee were \$12,500 and the members of such committees were entitled to an annual cash award of \$7,500. On

May 20, 2011, the Board increased the additional annual cash award to the Chairperson of the Compensation and Human Resource Development Committee to \$15,000. All other additional cash awards remained unchanged.

The Board may pay additional cash compensation to any non-employee director for services on behalf of the Board over and above those typically expected of directors, including but not limited to service on a special committee of the Board.

The following table summarizes nonvested common stock share award activity as of March 31, 2013 and for the three months then ended:

Nonvested Common Stock Share Awards	Shares (000s)		Weighted Average Grant- Date Fair Value		
Nonvested at January 1, 2013	13	\$	17.18		
Granted	-	\$	-		
Vested	(13)	\$	17.18		
Forfeited or expired	<u> </u>	\$	-		
Nonvested at March 31, 2013	-	\$	-		

The following table summarizes information regarding common stock share awards granted and vested (in thousands, except per share award amounts):

	 Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2013		2012	
Number of share awards granted	-		-	
Weighted average grant-date fair value per share award	\$ -	\$	-	
Fair value of share awards vested	\$ 219	\$	113	

As of March 31, 2013, there were no unrecognized compensation costs related to nonvested shares granted since March 2008 under the Plan.

Deferred Compensation Plan — The Board adopted the Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated non-qualified Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Deferred Compensation Plan") on December 17, 1998 and amended on March 29, 2006 and May 23, 2006. The Deferred Compensation Plan, which was not shareholder-approved, provides certain eligible employees the ability to defer any portion of their compensation until the participant's retirement, termination, disability or death, or a change in control of the Company. Using the Company's common stock, the Company matches 50% of the amounts deferred by certain senior management participants on a quarterly basis up to a total of \$12,000 per year for the president, executive vice presidents and senior vice presidents and \$7,500 per year for vice presidents (participants below the level of vice president are not eligible to receive matching contributions from the Company). Matching contributions and the associated earnings vest over a seven year service period. Deferred compensation amounts used to pay benefits, which are held in a rabbi trust, include investments in various mutual funds and shares of the Company's common stock (See Note 8, Investments Held in Rabbi Trust.) As of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, liabilities of \$5.0 million and \$5.3 million, respectively, of the Deferred Compensation Plan were recorded in "Accrued employee compensation and benefits" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Additionally, the Company's common stock match associated with the Deferred Compensation Plan, with a carrying value of approximately \$1.5 million and \$1.4 million at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, is included in "Treasury stock" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The following table summarizes nonvested common stock activity as of March 31, 2013 and for the three months then ended:

Nonvested Common Stock	Shares (000s)	Weighted Average Grant- Date Fair Value		
Nonvested at January 1, 2013	8	\$	16.98	
Granted	6	\$	15.96	
Vested	(6)	\$	16.12	
Forfeited or expired		\$	-	
Nonvested at March 31, 2013	8	\$	16.86	

The following table summarizes information regarding shares of common stock granted and vested (in thousands, except per common stock amounts):

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	 2013		2012	
Number of shares of common stock granted	6		7	
Weighted average grant-date fair value per common stock	\$ 15.96	\$	15.80	
Fair value of common stock vested	\$ 104	\$	76	
Cash used to settle the obligation	\$ 953	\$	161	

As of March 31, 2013, there was \$0.1 million of total unrecognized compensation cost, net of estimated forfeitures, related to nonvested common stock granted under the Deferred Compensation Plan. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.4 years.

#### Note 18. Segments and Geographic Information

The Company operates within two regions, the Americas and EMEA. Each region represents a reportable segment comprised of aggregated regional operating segments, which portray similar economic characteristics. The Company aligns its business into two segments to effectively manage the business and support the customer care needs of every client and to respond to the demands of the Company's global customers.

The reportable segments consist of (1) the Americas, which includes the United States, Canada, Latin America, Australia and the Asia Pacific Rim, and provides outsourced customer contact management solutions (with an emphasis on technical support and customer service) and technical staffing and (2) EMEA, which includes Europe, the Middle East and Africa, and provides outsourced customer contact management solutions (with an emphasis on technical support and customer service) and fulfillment services. The sites within Latin America, India and the Asia Pacific Rim are included in the Americas segment given the nature of the business and client profile, which is primarily made up of U.S.-based companies that are using the Company's services in these locations to support their customer contact management needs.

Information about the Company's reportable segments is as follows (in thousands):

				Other (1)		
	 Americas		EMEA		Co	nsolidated
Three Months Ended March 31, 2013:						
Revenues (2)	\$ 255,214	\$	46,030		\$	301,244
Percentage of revenues	84.7%		15.3%			100.0%
Depreciation, net (2)	\$ 9,178	\$	991		\$	10,169
Amortization of intangibles (2)	\$ 3,759	\$	•		\$	3,759
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 19,522	\$	1,855	\$ (11,500)	\$	9,877
Other (expense), net				(159)		(159)
Income taxes				(3,200)		(3,200)
Income from continuing operations, net of taxes						6,518
(Loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes (3)	\$ -	\$	-			
Net income					\$	6,518
Total assets as of March 31, 2013	\$ 1,095,705	\$	709,892	<u>\$ (885,996)</u>	\$	919,601
Three Months Ended March 31, 2012:						
Revenues (2)	\$ 230,087	\$	48,011		\$	278,098
Percentage of revenues	82.7%		17.3%			100.0%
Depreciation, net (2)	\$ 9,645	\$	989		\$	10,634
Amortization of intangibles (2)	\$ 1,861	\$	-		\$	1,861
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 26,956	\$	388	\$ (12,654)	\$	14,690
Other (expense), net				(553)		(553)
Income taxes				(3,367)		(3,367)
Income from continuing operations, net of taxes						10,770
(Loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes (3)	\$ (6,302)	\$	(5,225)			(11,527)
Net (loss)					\$	(757)
Total assets as of March 31, 2012	\$ 919,288	\$ 1	,085,278	\$(1,237,568)	\$	766,998

Other items (including corporate costs, impairment costs, other income and expense, and income taxes) are shown for purposes of reconciling to the Company's consolidated totals as shown in the tables above for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as those described in Note 1 to the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. Inter-segment revenues are not material to the Americas and EMEA segment results. The Company evaluates the performance of its geographic segments based on revenue and income (loss) from operations, and does not include segment assets or other income and expense items for management reporting purposes.

Revenues and depreciation and amortization include results from continuing operations only.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes the (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes, as well as the (loss) on sale of discontinued operations, net of taxes, if any.

#### **Note 19. Other Income (Expense)**

Gains and losses resulting from foreign currency transactions are recorded in "Other income (expense)" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations during the period in which they occur. Other income (expense) consists of the following (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	 2013		2012
Foreign currency transaction gains (losses)	\$ 234	\$	(638)
Gains (losses) on foreign currency derivative instruments not designated as hedges	(525)		(472)
Other miscellaneous income (expense)	 416		509
	\$ 125	\$	(601)

## Note 20. Related Party Transactions

In January 2008, the Company entered into a lease for a customer contact management center located in Kingstree, South Carolina. The landlord, Kingstree Office One, LLC, is an entity controlled by John H. Sykes, the founder, former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the father of Charles Sykes, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The lease payments on the 20 year lease were negotiated at or below market rates, and the lease is cancellable at the option of the Company. There are significant penalties for early cancellation which decrease over time. The Company paid \$0.1 million to the landlord during both the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 under the terms of the lease.

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated 400 North Ashley Drive Tampa, Florida

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet of Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of March 31, 2013, and the related condensed consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, of changes in shareholders' equity for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and nine-month period ended December 31, 2012, and of cash flows for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012. These interim financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management.

We conducted our reviews in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our reviews, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to such condensed consolidated interim financial statements for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have previously audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of the Company as of December 31, 2012, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended (not presented herein); and in our report dated March 1, 2013, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2012 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated balance sheet from which it has been derived.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP Certified Public Accountants

Tampa, Florida May 10, 2013

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

This discussion should be read in conjunction with the condensed consolidated financial statements and notes included elsewhere in this report and the consolidated financial statements and notes in the Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated ("SYKES," "our," "we" or "us") Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

Our discussion and analysis may contain forward-looking statements (within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) that are based on current expectations, estimates, forecasts, and projections about SYKES, our beliefs, and assumptions made by us. In addition, we may make other written or oral statements, which constitute forward-looking statements, from time to time. Words such as "believe," "estimate," "project," "expect," "intend," "may," "anticipate," "plan," "seek," variations of such words, and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Similarly, statements that describe our future plans, objectives, or goals also are forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including those discussed below and elsewhere in this report. Our actual results may differ materially from what is expressed or forecasted in such forward-looking statements, and undue reliance should not be placed on such statements. All forward-looking statements are made as of the date hereof, and we undertake no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from what is expressed or forecasted in such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to: (i) the impact of economic recessions in the U.S. and other parts of the world, (ii) fluctuations in global business conditions and the global economy, (iii) currency fluctuations, (iv) the timing of significant orders for our products and services, (v) variations in the terms and the elements of services offered under our standardized contract including those for future bundled service offerings, (vi) changes in applicable accounting principles or interpretations of such principles, (vii) difficulties or delays in implementing our bundled service offerings, (viii) failure to achieve sales, marketing and other objectives, (ix) construction delays of new or expansion of existing customer contact management centers, (x) delays in our ability to develop new products and services and market acceptance of new products and services, (xi) rapid technological change, (xii) loss or addition of significant clients, (xiii) political and country-specific risks inherent in conducting business abroad, (xiv) our ability to attract and retain key management personnel, (xv) our ability to continue the growth of our support service revenues through additional technical and customer contact management centers, (xvi) our ability to further penetrate into vertically integrated markets, (xvii) our ability to expand our global presence through strategic alliances and selective acquisitions, (xviii) our ability to continue to establish a competitive advantage through sophisticated technological capabilities, (xix) the ultimate outcome of any lawsuits, (xx) our ability to recognize deferred revenue through delivery of products or satisfactory performance of services, (xxi) our dependence on trend toward outsourcing, (xxii) risk of interruption of technical and customer contact management center operations due to such factors as fire, earthquakes, inclement weather and other disasters, power failures, telecommunication failures, unauthorized intrusions, computer viruses and other emergencies, (xxiii) the existence of substantial competition, (xxiv) the early termination of contracts by clients, (xxv) the ability to obtain and maintain grants and other incentives (tax or otherwise), (xxvi) the potential of cost savings/synergies associated with the ICT and Alpine acquisitions not being realized, or not being realized within the anticipated time period, (xxvii) risks related to the integration of the businesses of SYKES, ICT and Alpine and (xxviii) other risk factors which are identified in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, including factors identified under the headings "Business," "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations."

## **Executive Summary**

We provide comprehensive customer contact management solutions and services to a wide range of clients including Fortune 1000 companies, medium-sized businesses, and public institutions around the world, primarily in the communications, financial services, technology/consumer, transportation and leisure and healthcare industries. We serve our clients through two geographic operating regions: the Americas (United States, Canada, Latin America, Australia and the Asia Pacific Rim) and EMEA (Europe, the Middle East and Africa). Our Americas and EMEA groups primarily provide customer contact management services (with an emphasis on inbound technical support and customer service), which include customer assistance, healthcare and roadside assistance, technical support and product sales to our clients' customers. These services, which represented 98% of consolidated revenues during the three months ended March 31, 2013, are delivered through multiple communication channels encompassing phone, e-mail, Internet, text messaging and chat. We also provide various enterprise support services in the United States

("U.S.") that include services for our client's internal support operations, from technical staffing services to outsourced corporate help desk services. In Europe, we also provide fulfillment services including multilingual sales order processing via the Internet and phone, payment processing, inventory control, product delivery, and product returns handling. Our complete service offering helps our clients acquire, retain and increase the lifetime value of their customer relationships. We have developed an extensive global reach with customer contact management centers throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Latin America, Asia, India and Africa.

#### Acquisition of Alpine Access, Inc.

On August 20, 2012, we completed the acquisition of Alpine Access, Inc. ("Alpine"), a Delaware corporation and an industry leader in the athome agent space – recruiting, training, managing and delivering award-winning customer contact management services through a secured and proprietary virtual call center environment with its operations located in the United States and Canada. We refer to such acquisition herein as the "Alpine acquisition."

The Company acquired Alpine to: create significant competitive differentiation for quality, speed to market, scalability and flexibility driven by proprietary, internally-developed software, systems, processes and other intellectual property which uniquely overcome the challenges of the athome delivery model; strengthen the Company's current service portfolio and go-to-market offering while expanding the breadth of clients with minimal client overlap; broaden the addressable market opportunity within existing and new verticals as well as clients; expand the addressable pool of skilled labor; leverage operational best practices across the Company's global platform, with the potential to convert more of its fixed cost to variable cost; and to further enhance the growth and margin profile of the Company to drive shareholder value. This resulted in the Company paying a substantial premium for Alpine resulting in the recognition of goodwill.

The total purchase price of \$149.0 million was funded by \$41.0 million in cash on hand and borrowings of \$108.0 million under our credit agreement with KeyBank National Association, dated May 3, 2012. See "Liquidity & Capital Resources" later in this Item 2 and Note 11, Borrowings, of "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for further information.

The results of operations of Alpine have been reflected in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations since August 20, 2012.

## **Discontinued Operations**

In March 2012, we sold our operations in Spain (the "Spanish operations") pursuant to an asset purchase agreement dated March 29, 2012 and a stock purchase agreement dated March 30, 2012. We have reflected the operating results related to the operations in Spain as discontinued operations in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three months ended March 31, 2012. This business was historically reported as part of the EMEA segment.

See "Results of Operations – Discontinued Operations" later in this Item 2 for more information. Unless otherwise noted, discussions below pertain only to our continuing operations.

# **Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain data derived from our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and certain of such data expressed as a percentage of revenues (in thousands, except percentage amounts):

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2013		2012
Revenues	\$	301,244	\$	278,098
Percentage of revenues		100.0%		100.0%
Direct salaries and related costs	\$	203,706	\$	178,500
Percentage of revenues		67.6%		64.2%
General and administrative	\$	73,733	\$	72,264
Percentage of revenues		24.5%		26.0%
Depreciation, net	\$	10,169	\$	10,634
Percentage of revenues		3.4%		3.8%
Amortization of intangibles	\$	3,759	\$	1,861
Percentage of revenues		1.2%		0.7%
Impairment of long-lived assets		-	\$	149
Percentage of revenues		0.0%		0.1%
Income from continuing operations	\$	9,877	\$	14,690
Percentage of revenues		3.3%		5.2%

The following table summarizes our revenues for the periods indicated, by reporting segment (in thousands):

		Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2013	3	201	2	
Americas	255,214	84.7%	\$230,087	82.7%	
EMEA	46,030	15.3%	48,011	17.3%	
Consolidated	301,244	100.0%	\$278,098	100.0%	

The following table summarizes certain amounts and percentages of revenues for the periods indicated, by reporting segment (in thousands):

	'	Three Months Ended			
		March 31,			
	2013	3	201	2	
Direct salaries and related costs:					
Americas	\$171,071	67.0%	\$143,601	62.4%	
EMEA	32,635	70.9%	34,899	72.7%	
Consolidated	\$203,706	67.6%	\$178,500	64.2%	
General and administrative:					
Americas	\$ 51,684	20.3%	\$ 47,875	20.8%	
EMEA	10,549	22.9%	11,735	24.4%	
Corporate	11,500	-	12,654		
Consolidated	\$ 73,733	24.5%	\$ 72,264	26.0%	
Depreciation, net:			-	_	
Americas	\$ 9,178	3.6%	\$ 9,645	4.2%	
EMEA	991	2.2%	989	2.1%	
Consolidated	<u>\$ 10,169</u>	3.4%	\$ 10,634	3.8%	
Amortization of intangibles:					
Americas	\$ 3,759	1.5%	\$ 1,861	0.7%	
EMEA		0.0%		0.0%	
Consolidated	\$ 3,759	1.2%	\$ 1,861	0.7%	
Impairment of long-lived assets:					
Americas	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 149	0.1%	
EMEA	<del>_</del>	0.0%		0.0%	
Consolidated	<u>\$ - </u>	0.0%	\$ 149	0.1%	

#### Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 Compared to Three Months Ended March 31, 2012

## Revenues

For the three months ended March 31, 2013, we recognized consolidated revenues of \$301.2 million, an increase of \$23.1 million or 8.3%, from \$278.1 million of consolidated revenues for the comparable period in 2012.

On a geographic segment basis, revenues from the Americas region, including the United States, Canada, Latin America, Australia and the Asia Pacific Rim, represented 84.7%, or \$255.2 million, for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to 82.7%, or \$230.1 million, for the comparable period in 2012. Revenues from the EMEA region, including Europe, the Middle East and Africa represented 15.3%, or \$46.0 million, for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to 17.3%, or \$48.0 million, for the comparable period in 2012.

Americas' revenues increased \$25.1 million, including the positive foreign currency impact of \$0.4 million, for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from the comparable period in 2012. The remaining increase of \$24.7 million was primarily due to Alpine acquisition revenues of \$26.8 million and new contract sales of \$6.0 million, partially offset by end-of-life client programs of \$7.1 million and lower volumes from existing contracts of \$1.0 million. Revenues from our offshore operations represented 42.5% of Americas' revenues, compared to 48.8% for the comparable period in 2012. While operating margins generated offshore are generally comparable to those in the United States, our ability to maintain these offshore operating margins longer term is difficult to predict due to potential increased competition for the available workforce, the trend of higher occupancy costs and costs of functional currency fluctuations in offshore markets. We weight these factors in our continual focus to re-price or replace certain sub-profitable target client programs.

EMEA's revenues decreased \$2.0 million, including the positive foreign currency impact of \$0.2 million, for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from the comparable period in 2012. The remaining decrease of \$2.2 million was primarily due to end-of-life client programs of \$2.3 million and lower volumes from existing contracts of \$0.3

million, partially offset by new contract sales of \$0.4 million.

On a consolidated basis, we had 40,400 brick-and-mortar seats as of March 31, 2013, a decrease of 600 seats from the comparable period in 2012. The capacity utilization rate on a combined basis was 73% compared to 71% in the comparable period in 2012. This increase was primarily due to program ramp-ups coupled with seat rationalizations associated with the strategic actions in connection with the Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan (see Note 4, Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities, of "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements").

On a geographic segment basis, 35,100 seats were located in the Americas, a decrease of 100 seats from the comparable period in 2012, and 5,300 seats were located in EMEA, a decrease of 500 seats from the comparable period in 2012. The consolidated offshore seat count as of March 31, 2013 was 22,900, or 57%, of our total seats, an increase of 800 seats, or 4%, from the comparable period in 2012. Capacity utilization rates as of March 31, 2013 were 72% for the Americas and 82% for EMEA, compared to 71% and 72%, respectively, in the comparable period in 2012, primarily due to seat rationalizations associated with the strategic actions in connection with the Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan. We strive to attain an 85% capacity utilization metric at each of our locations.

The Company plans to add approximately 6,000 seats on a gross basis in 2013. Approximately 75% of the seat count is expected to be added in the first half of 2013, with the remainder in the second half. Total seat count on a net basis for the full year, however, is expected to increase by approximately 1,000 seats.

#### **Direct Salaries and Related Costs**

Direct salaries and related costs increased \$25.2 million, or 14.1%, to \$203.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from \$178.5 million in the comparable period in 2012.

On a reporting segment basis, direct salaries and related costs from the Americas segment increased \$27.5 million, including the negative foreign currency impact of \$1.7 million, for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from the comparable period in 2012. Direct salaries and related costs from the EMEA segment decreased \$2.3 million, including the negative foreign currency impact of \$0.2 million, for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from the comparable period in 2012.

In the Americas segment, as a percentage of revenues, direct salaries and related costs increased to 67.0% for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from 62.4% in the comparable period in 2012. This increase of 4.6%, as a percentage of revenues, was primarily attributable to higher compensation costs of 3.6% principally driven by lower demand without a commensurate reduction in labor costs, higher auto tow claim costs of 0.6% due to an increase in the average length of the tows without a commensurate increase in fees at our Canadian roadside assistance operations, higher communication costs of 0.3% and higher other costs of 0.1%.

In the EMEA segment, as a percentage of revenues, direct salaries and related costs decreased to 70.9% for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from 72.7% in the comparable period of 2012. This decrease of 1.8%, as a percentage of revenues, was primarily attributable to lower severance costs of 1.5% due to the closure of certain sites in connection with the Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan, lower billable supply costs of 1.3% and lower communication costs of 0.3%, partially offset by higher compensation costs of 0.9% principally driven by lower demand without a commensurate reduction in labor costs and higher fulfillment materials costs of 0.4%.

#### General and Administrative

General and administrative expenses increased \$1.4 million, or 1.9%, to \$73.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from \$72.3 million in the comparable period in 2012.

On a reporting segment basis, general and administrative expenses from the Americas segment increased \$3.8 million, including the negative foreign currency impact of \$0.7 million, for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from the comparable period in 2012. General and administrative expenses from the EMEA segment decreased \$1.2 million, including the negative foreign currency impact of \$0.1 million, for the three months ended March 30, 2013 from the comparable period in 2012. Corporate general and administrative expenses decreased \$1.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from the comparable period in 2012. This decrease of \$1.2 million was primarily attributable to lower legal and professional fees of \$0.7 million, lower compensation costs of \$0.4 million, lower consulting costs of \$0.3 million and lower other costs of \$0.3 million, partially offset by higher merger and integration costs of \$0.5 million related to the Alpine acquisition.

In the Americas segment, as a percentage of revenues, general and administrative expenses decreased to 20.4% for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from 21.0% in the comparable period in 2012. This decrease of 0.6%, as a percentage of revenues, was primarily attributable to lower compensation costs of 0.4%, lower equipment and maintenance costs of 0.4% and lower communication costs of 0.2%, partially offset by higher software maintenance costs of 0.4%.

In the EMEA segment, as a percentage of revenues, general and administrative expenses decreased to 22.9% for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from 24.4% in the comparable period in 2012. This decrease of 1.5%, as a percentage of revenues, was primarily attributable to lower severance-related costs of 0.5%, lower compensation costs of 0.4%, lower facility-related costs of 0.4% and lower communication costs of 0.2%, all primarily due to the closure of certain sites in connection with the Fourth Quarter 2011 Exit Plan.

#### Depreciation, Net

Depreciation, net was \$10.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to \$10.6 million in the comparable period in 2012.

## Amortization of Intangibles

Amortization of intangibles was \$3.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to \$1.9 million in the same comparable in 2012, primarily due to the additional amortization related to the intangible assets recorded as part of the August 2012 acquisition of Alpine.

## Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

We recorded a \$0.1 million impairment in the Americas segment for the three months ended March 31, 2012. See Note 5, Fair Value, of the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for further information.

#### Interest Income

Interest income was \$0.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to \$0.4 million in the comparable period in 2012, reflecting lower average invested balances of interest bearing investments in cash and cash equivalents.

#### Interest (Expense)

Interest (expense) was \$(0.5) million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to \$(0.3) million in the comparable period in 2012, reflecting higher average outstanding borrowings primarily due to the August 2012 Alpine acquisition.

#### Other Income (Expense)

Other income, net, was \$0.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to other (expense), net of \$(0.6) million in the comparable period in 2012. The net increase in other income, net, of \$0.7 million was primarily attributable to an increase of \$0.9 million in realized and unrealized foreign currency transaction gains, net of losses, partially offset by an increase of \$0.1 million in foreign currency forward contract losses (which were not designated as hedging instruments) and a decrease of \$0.1 million in other miscellaneous income, net. Other income (expense), net, excludes the cumulative translation effects and unrealized gains (losses) on financial derivatives that are included in "Accumulated other comprehensive income" in shareholders' equity in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

#### **Income Taxes**

Income tax expense of \$3.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, was based upon pre-tax book income of \$9.7 million. Income tax expense of \$3.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012, was based upon pre-tax book income of \$14.1 million. The effective tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was 32.9% compared to an effective tax rate of 23.8% for the comparable period in 2012. In response to the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 signed into law on January 2, 2013, with retroactive application to January 1, 2012, we

executed offshore cash movements resulting in a \$2.6 million foreign withholding tax. This withholding tax, which was included in income tax expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013, increased the effective tax rate compared to the three months ended March 31, 2012.

## (Loss) from Discontinued Operations

We sold our Spanish operations in March 2012 and accounted for this transaction in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 205-20 " *Discontinued Operation*". Accordingly, we reclassified the results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2012 to discontinued operations. The loss from discontinued operations totaled \$0.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. The loss on sale of discontinued operations totaled \$10.7 million for the three months ended March 30, 2012. There was no tax impact on the loss from discontinued operations or loss on sale of discontinued operations.

#### Net Income (Loss)

As a result of the foregoing, we reported income from continuing operations for the three months ended March 31, 2013 of \$9.9 million, a decrease of \$4.8 million from the comparable period in 2012. This decrease was principally attributable to a \$25.2 million increase in direct salaries and related costs, a \$1.4 million increase in general and administrative expenses and a \$1.9 million increase in amortization of intangibles, partially offset by a \$23.1 million increase in revenues, a \$0.5 million decrease in depreciation and a \$0.1 million decrease in impairment of long-lived assets. In addition to the \$4.8 million decrease in income from continuing operations, we experienced a \$10.7 million decrease in loss on sale of discontinued operations, a \$0.8 million decrease in loss from discontinued operations, a \$0.7 million increase in other income (expense) and a \$0.2 million decrease in income taxes, partially offset by an increase in interest (expense) of \$0.2 million and a decrease in interest income of \$0.1 million, resulting in net income of \$6.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, an increase of \$7.3 million compared to the comparable period in 2012.

#### **Client Concentration**

Our top ten clients accounted for approximately 45.9% of our consolidated revenues in the three months ended March 31, 2013, down from approximately 48.9% of our consolidated revenues in the three months ended March 31, 2012.

Total consolidated revenues included \$35.3 million, or 11.7%, of consolidated revenues, for the three months ended March 31, 2013 from AT&T Corporation, a major provider of communication services for which we provide various customer support services over several distinct lines of AT&T businesses. This included \$34.4 million and \$0.9 million in revenue from the Americas and EMEA, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2013. Our next largest client, which was in the financial services vertical market, accounted for \$17.2 million, or 5.7%, of consolidated revenues, for the three months ended March 31, 2013.

The total consolidated revenues for the comparable period as it relates to our largest client were \$30.3 million, or 10.9%, of consolidated revenues, for the three months ended March 31, 2012. This included \$29.5 million and \$0.8 million in revenue from the Americas and EMEA, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2012. Our next largest client, which was in the financial services vertical market, accounted for \$16.8 million, or 6.0%, of consolidated revenues, for the three months ended March 31, 2012.

We have multiple distinct contracts with AT&T spread across multiple lines of businesses, which expire between 2013 and 2015. We have historically renewed most of these contracts. However, there is no assurance that these contracts will be renewed, or if renewed, will be on terms as favorable as the existing contracts. Each line of business is governed by separate business terms, conditions and metrics. Each line of business also has a separate decision maker such that a loss of one line of business would not necessarily impact our relationship with the client and decision makers on other lines of business. The loss of (or the failure to retain a significant amount of business with) any of our key clients, including AT&T, could have a material adverse effect on our performance. Many of our contracts contain penalty provisions for failure to meet minimum service levels and are cancelable by the client at any time or on short notice. Also, clients may unilaterally reduce their use of our services under our contracts without penalty.

#### **Business Outlook**

For the three months ended June 30, 2013, we anticipate the following financial results:

- Revenues in the range of \$301.0 million to \$305.0 million;
- Effective tax rate of approximately 0%;
- Fully diluted share count of approximately 43.1 million;
- Diluted earnings per share of approximately \$0.11 to \$0.15; and
- Capital expenditures in the range of \$28.0 million to \$33.0 million

For the twelve months ended December 31, 2013, we anticipate the following financial results:

- Revenues in the range of \$1,225.0 million to \$1,240.0 million;
- Effective tax rate of approximately 25%;
- Fully diluted share count of approximately 43.1 million;
- Diluted earnings per share of approximately \$0.91 to \$1.00; and
- Capital expenditures in the range of \$55.0 million to \$65.0 million

Not included in this guidance is the impact of any future acquisitions or share repurchase activities.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our primary sources of liquidity are generally cash flows generated by operating activities and from available borrowings under our revolving credit facility. We utilize these capital resources to make capital expenditures associated primarily with our customer contact management services, invest in technology applications and tools to further develop our service offerings and for working capital and other general corporate purposes, including repurchase of our common stock in the open market and to fund acquisitions. In future periods, we intend similar uses of these funds.

On August 18, 2011, our Board authorized us to purchase up to 5.0 million shares of our outstanding common stock (the "2011 Share Repurchase Program"). During the three months ended March 31, 2013, we did not repurchase any shares of our outstanding common stock. During the three months ended March 31, 2012, we repurchased 0.4 million common shares under the 2011 Share Repurchase Program at prices ranging from \$13.85 to \$15.00 per share for a total cost of \$6.2 million. As of March 31, 2013, a total of 3.0 million shares have been repurchased under the 2011 Share Repurchase Program. The shares are purchased, from time to time, through open market purchases or in negotiated private transactions, and the purchases are based on factors, including but not limited to, the stock price, management discretion and general market conditions. The 2011 Share Repurchase Program has no expiration date. We may make discretionary stock repurchases under this program in 2013.

During the three months ended March 31, 2013, cash decreased \$12.8 million from operating activities and we used \$13.1 million for capital expenditures, \$2.0 million to repay long-term debt and \$0.1 million to repurchase stock for minimum tax withholding on equity awards. The decrease in cash was partially offset by \$22.0 million in proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt, \$0.1 million from proceeds from grants and \$0.1 million of other, resulting in a \$9.5 million decrease in available cash (including the unfavorable effects of foreign currency exchange rates on cash of \$3.7 million).

Net cash flows used by operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2013 were \$12.8 million, compared to \$4.1 million provided by operating activities for the comparable 2012 period. The \$16.9 million decrease in net cash flows from operating activities was due to a net decrease of \$14.5 million in cash flows from assets and liabilities and a \$9.7 million decrease in non-cash reconciling items such as depreciation, loss on the sale of discontinued operations and deferred income taxes, partially offset by a \$7.3 million increase in net income. The \$14.5 million decrease in cash flows from assets and liabilities was principally a result of a \$13.2 million decrease in other liabilities and a \$4.9 million increase in accounts receivable, partially offset by a \$2.7 million decrease in other assets, a \$0.5 million increase in taxes payable and a \$0.4 million increase in deferred revenue. The decrease in other liabilities is primarily due to a decrease in accounts receivable is due to the timing of receivables' billings and subsequent payments of those billings in the three months ended March 31, 2013 over the comparable period in 2012.

We sold our operations in Spain (the "Spanish operations") in March 2012. Cash flows from discontinued operations were as follows (in thousands):

Three Months Ended

	March 3	31, 2012
Cash (used for) provided by operating activities of discontinued operations	\$	(4,530)
Cash (used for) investing activities of discontinued operations		(8,887)

Cash (used for) operating activities of discontinued operations primarily represents the cash used by the Spanish operations during the three months ended March 31, 2012. Cash (used for) investing activities of discontinued operations during the three months ended March 31, 2012 primarily represents the cash divested upon the sale of the Spanish operations. The sale of the Spanish operations resulted in a loss of \$10.7 million. We do not expect the absence of the cash flows from our discontinued operations in Spain to materially affect our future liquidity and capital resources.

Capital expenditures, which are generally funded by cash generated from operating activities, available cash balances and borrowings available under our credit facilities, were \$13.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, compared to \$6.8 million for the comparable period in 2012, an increase of \$6.3 million. In 2013, we anticipate capital expenditures in the range of \$55.0 million to \$65.0 million, primarily for new seat additions principally in the Americas, maintenance and systems infrastructure.

On May 3, 2012, we entered into a \$245 million revolving credit facility (the "2012 Credit Agreement"). The 2012 Credit Agreement replaces our previous \$75 million revolving credit facility dated February 2, 2010, as amended, which agreement was terminated simultaneous with entering into the 2012 Credit Agreement. The 2012 Credit Agreement is subject to certain borrowing limitations and includes certain customary financial and restrictive covenants. At March 31, 2013, we were in compliance with all loan requirements of the 2012 Credit Agreement and had \$111.0 million of outstanding borrowings under this facility, with an average daily utilization of \$91.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 (none in the comparable period in 2012). During the three months ended March 31, 2013, the related interest expense, excluding amortization of deferred loan fees, under our credit agreements was \$0.3 million, which represented a weighted average interest rate of 1.4% for the three months ended March 31, 2013 (none in the comparable period in 2012).

The 2012 Credit Agreement includes a \$184 million alternate-currency sub-facility, a \$10 million swingline sub-facility and a \$35 million letter of credit sub-facility, and may be used for general corporate purposes including acquisitions, share repurchases, working capital support and letters of credit, subject to certain limitations. We are not currently aware of any inability of our lenders to provide access to the full commitment of funds that exist under the 2012 Credit Agreement, if necessary. However, there can be no assurance that such facility will be available to us, even though it is a binding commitment of the financial institutions. The 2012 Credit Agreement will mature on May 2, 2017.

Borrowings under the 2012 Credit Agreement will bear interest at either LIBOR or the base rate plus, in each case, an applicable margin based on our leverage ratio. The applicable interest rate will be determined quarterly based on our leverage ratio at such time. The base rate is a rate per annum equal to the greatest of (i) the rate of interest established by KeyBank, from time to time, as its "prime rate"; (ii) the Federal Funds effective rate in effect from time to time, plus 1/2 of 1% per annum; and (iii) the then-applicable LIBOR rate for one month interest periods, plus 1.00%. Swingline loans will bear interest only at the base rate plus the base rate margin. In addition, we are required to pay certain customary fees, including a commitment fee of 0.175%, which is due quarterly in arrears and calculated on the average unused amount of the 2012 Credit Agreement.

The 2012 Credit Agreement is guaranteed by all of our existing and future direct and indirect material U.S. subsidiaries and secured by a pledge of 100% of the non-voting and 65% of the voting capital stock of all of our direct foreign subsidiaries and those of the guaranters.

In April 2012, we received an assessment for the Canadian 2003-2006 audit for which we filed a Notice of Objection in July 2012. This process will allow us to submit the case to the U.S. and Canada Competent Authority for ultimate resolution. As required by the Notice of Objection process, we paid mandatory security deposits in the amount of \$14.6 million to the Canadian taxing authorities during 2012. In January 2013, we received a partial

assessment for the Canadian 2007 audit and paid the Canadian Revenue Agency an additional security deposit of \$0.3 million for the 2007 tax year. These deposits are included in "Deferred charges and other assets" in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012. Although the outcome of examinations by taxing authorities is always uncertain, we believe we are adequately reserved for these audits and that resolution is not expected to have a material impact on our financial condition and results of operations.

As of March 31, 2013, we had \$177.8 million in cash and cash equivalents, of which approximately 97.8% or \$173.9 million, was held in international operations and is deemed to be indefinitely reinvested offshore. These funds may be subject to additional taxes if repatriated to the United States, including withholding tax applied by the country of origin and an incremental U.S. income tax, net of allowable foreign tax credits. There are circumstances where we may be unable to repatriate some of the cash and cash equivalents held by our international operations due to country restrictions. We do not intend nor currently foresee a need to repatriate these funds. We expect our current domestic cash levels and cash flows from operations to be adequate to meet our domestic anticipated working capital needs, including investment activities such as capital expenditures and debt repayment for the next twelve months and the foreseeable future. Additionally, we expect our current foreign cash levels and cash flows from foreign operations to be adequate to meet our foreign anticipated working capital needs, including investment activities such as capital expenditures for the next twelve months and the foreseeable future.

If we should require more cash in the U.S. than is provided by our domestic operations for significant discretionary unforeseen activities such as acquisitions of businesses and share repurchases, we could elect to repatriate future foreign earnings and/or raise capital in the U.S through additional borrowings or debt/equity issuances. These alternatives could result in higher effective tax rates, interest expense and/or dilution of earnings. We have borrowed funds domestically and continue to have the ability to borrow additional funds domestically at reasonable interest rates.

Our cash resources could also be affected by various risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to the risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

#### Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements and Other

At March 31, 2013, we did not have any material commercial commitments, including guarantees or standby repurchase obligations, or any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, including entities often referred to as structured finance or special purpose entities or variable interest entities, which would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

The following table summarizes the material changes to our contractual cash obligations as of March 31, 2013, and the effect these obligations are expected to have on liquidity and cash flow in future periods (in thousands):

			Payments D	ie By Period		
		Less Than			After 5	
	Total	1 Year	1 - 3 Years	3 - 5 Years	Years	Other
Operating leases (1)	\$ 6,640	\$ 1,102	\$ 3,753	\$ 1,380	\$ 405	\$ -
Purchase obligations (2)	7,621	2,192	4,993	436	-	-
Long-term debt (3)	20,000	<u></u> _	<u> </u>	20,000	<u></u> _	<u>-</u>
	\$ 34,261	\$ 3,294	\$ 8,746	\$ 21,816	\$ 405	\$ -

(1) Amounts represent the expected cash payments under our operating leases.

(2) Purchase obligations include agreements to purchase goods or services that are enforceable and legally binding on us and that specify all significant terms, including: fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the transaction. Purchase obligations exclude agreements that are cancelable without penalty.

(3) Long-term debt (See Note 11 to the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements), which represents additional borrowings under our revolving credit facility since December 31, 2012.

Except for the contractual obligations mentioned above, there have not been any material changes to the outstanding contractual obligations from the disclosure in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

See "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 filed on March 1, 2013 for a discussion of our critical accounting policies and estimates.

There have been no material changes to our critical accounting policies and estimates in 2013.

#### **New Accounting Standards Not Yet Adopted**

In March 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-05 "Foreign Currency Matters (Topic 830) – Parent's Accounting for the Cumulative Translation Adjustment upon Derecognition of Certain Subsidiaries or Groups of Assets within a Foreign Entity or of an Investment in a Foreign Entity" ("ASU 2013-05"). The amendments in ASU 2013-05

indicates that a cumulative translation adjustment ("CTA") is attached to the parent's investment in a foreign entity and should be released in a manner consistent with the derecognition guidance on investments in entities. Thus, the entire amount of the CTA associated with the foreign entity would be released when there has been a sale of a subsidiary or group of net assets within a foreign entity and the sale represents the substantially complete liquidation of the investment in the foreign entity, a loss of a controlling financial interest in an investment in a foreign entity (i.e., the foreign entity is deconsolidated), or a step acquisition for a foreign entity (i.e., when an entity has changed from applying the equity method for an investment in a foreign entity to consolidating the foreign entity). ASU 2013-05 does not change the requirement to release a pro rata portion of the CTA of the foreign entity into earnings for a partial sale of an equity method investment in a foreign entity. The amendments in ASU 2013-05 are effective prospectively for fiscal years (and interim reporting periods within those years) beginning after December 15, 2013. The amendments should be applied prospectively to derecognition events occurring after the effective date. We do not expect the adoption of ASU 2013-05 to materially impact our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Unless we need to clarify a point to readers, we will refrain from citing specific section references when discussing the application of accounting principles or addressing new or pending accounting rule changes.

#### **U.S. Healthcare Reform Acts**

In March 2010, the President of the United States signed into law comprehensive healthcare reform legislation under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act (the "Acts"). The Acts contain provisions that could materially impact our healthcare costs in the future, thus adversely affecting our profitability. We are currently evaluating the potential impact of the Acts on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

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

## **Foreign Currency Risk**

Our earnings and cash flows are subject to fluctuations due to changes in currency exchange rates. We are exposed to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations when subsidiaries with functional currencies other than the U.S. Dollar ("USD") are translated into our USD consolidated financial statements. As exchange rates vary, those results, when translated, may vary from expectations and adversely impact profitability. The cumulative translation effects for subsidiaries using functional currencies other than the U.S. Dollar are included in "Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)" in shareholders' equity. Movements in non-U.S. Dollar currency exchange rates may negatively or positively affect our competitive position, as exchange rate changes may affect business practices and/or pricing strategies of non-U.S. based competitors.

We employ a foreign currency risk management program that periodically utilizes derivative instruments to protect against unanticipated fluctuations in earnings and cash flows caused by volatility in foreign currency exchange ("FX") rates. Option and forward derivative contracts are used to hedge intercompany receivables and payables, and other transactions initiated in the United States, that are denominated in a foreign currency. Additionally, we employ FX contracts to hedge net investments in foreign operations.

We serve a number of U.S.-based clients using customer contact management center capacity in The Philippines, Canada and Costa Rica, which are within our Americas segment. Although the contracts with these clients are priced in USDs, a substantial portion of the costs incurred to render services under these contracts are denominated in Philippine Pesos ("PHP"), Canadian Dollars, and Costa Rican Colones ("CRC"), which represent FX exposures. Additionally, our EMEA segment services clients in Hungary and Romania where the contracts are priced in Euros ("EUR"), with a substantial portion of the costs incurred to render services under these contracts denominated in Hungarian Forints ("HUF") and Romanian Leis ("RON").

In order to hedge a portion of our anticipated cash flow requirements denominated in PHP, CRC, HUF and RON we had outstanding forward contracts and options as of March 31, 2013 with counterparties through January 2014 with notional amounts totaling \$135.5 million. As of March 31, 2013, we had net total derivative assets associated with these contracts with a fair value of \$2.4 million, which will settle within the next 12 months. If the USD was to weaken against the PHP and CRC and the EUR was to weaken against the HUF and RON by 10% from current period-end levels, we would incur a loss of approximately \$10.0 million on the underlying exposures of the derivative instruments. However, this loss would be mitigated by corresponding gains on the underlying exposures.

We entered into forward exchange contracts with notional amounts totaling \$32.7 million to hedge net investments in our foreign operations. The purpose of these derivative instruments is to protect against the risk that the net assets of certain foreign subsidiaries will be adversely affected by changes in exchange rates and economic exposures related to our foreign currency-based investments in these subsidiaries. As of March 31, 2013, the fair value of these derivatives was a net receivable of \$0.4 million. The potential loss in fair value at March 31, 2013, for these contracts resulting from a hypothetical 10% adverse change in the foreign currency exchange rates is approximately \$3.2 million. However, this loss would be mitigated by corresponding gains on the underlying exposures.

We also entered into forward exchange contracts with notional amounts totaling \$39.8 million that are not designated as hedges. The purpose of these derivative instruments is to protect against FX volatility pertaining to intercompany receivables and payables, and other assets and liabilities that are denominated in currencies other than our subsidiaries' functional currencies. As of March 31, 2013, the fair value of these derivatives was a net payable of \$0.7 million. The potential loss in fair value at March 31, 2013, for these contracts resulting from a hypothetical 10% adverse change in the foreign currency exchange rates is approximately \$5.0 million. However, this loss would be mitigated by corresponding gains on the underlying exposures.

We evaluate the credit quality of potential counterparties to derivative transactions and only enter into contracts with those considered to have minimal credit risk. We periodically monitor changes to counterparty credit quality as well as our concentration of credit exposure to individual counterparties.

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

As a general rule, we do not use financial instruments to hedge local currency denominated operating expenses in countries where a natural hedge exists. For example, in many countries, revenue from the local currency services substantially offsets the local currency denominated operating expenses.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Our exposure to interest rate risk results from variable debt outstanding under our revolving credit facility. We pay interest on outstanding borrowings at interest rates that fluctuate based upon changes in various base rates. As of March 31, 2013, we had \$111.0 million in borrowings outstanding under the revolving credit facility. Based on our level of variable rate debt outstanding during the three months ended March 31, 2013, a one-point increase in the weighted average interest rate, which generally equals the LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin, would have had a \$0.2 million impact on our results of operations.

We have not historically used derivative instruments to manage exposure to changes in interest rates.

#### **Fluctuations in Quarterly Results**

For the year ended December 31, 2012, quarterly revenues as a percentage of total consolidated annual revenues were approximately 25%, 23%, 25% and 27%, respectively, for each of the respective quarters of the year. We have experienced and anticipate that in the future we will experience variations in quarterly revenues. The variations are due to the timing of new contracts and renewal of existing contracts, the timing and frequency of client spending for customer contact management services, non-U.S. currency fluctuations, and the seasonal pattern of customer contact management support and fulfillment services.

#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

As of March 31, 2013, under the direction of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rule 13a – 15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed in our SEC reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time period specified by the SEC's rules and forms, and is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. We concluded that, as of March 31, 2013, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

There were no changes in our internal controls over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 31, 2013 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting, except for the change discussed under "Change in Internal Control over Financial Reporting" below.

## **Change in Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

On August 20, 2012, we acquired Alpine. We have excluded Alpine from our assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of March 31, 2013 as we are currently integrating policies, processes, people, technology and operations for the combined companies. Management will continue to evaluate our internal control over financial reporting as we execute our integration activities.

## Part II. OTHER INFORMATION

#### **Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

From time to time, we are involved in legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. With respect to these matters, we believe that we have adequate legal defenses and/or provided adequate accruals for related costs such that the ultimate outcome will not have a material adverse effect on our future financial position or results of operations.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

For risk factors, see Item 1A, "Risk Factors," of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 filed on March 1, 2013.

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

Below is a summary of stock repurchases for the three months ended March 31, 2013 (in thousands, except average price per share). See Note 14, Earnings Per Share, of "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" for information regarding our stock repurchase program.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under Plans or Programs
January 1, 2013 - January 31, 2013	-	\$ -	-	1,969
February 1, 2013 - February 28, 2013	-	\$ -	-	1,969
March 1, 2013 - March 31, 2013	<u> </u>	\$ -		1,969
Total	-		-	1,969

<sup>(1)</sup> All shares purchased as part of the repurchase plan publicly announced on August 18, 2011. Total number of shares approved for repurchase under the 2011 Repurchase Plan was 5.0 million with no expiration date. All of the shares available under the repurchase plan publicly announced on August 5, 2002 have been repurchased.

## **Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities**

None.

#### **Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures**

Not Applicable.

## **Item 5. Other Information**

None.

# Item 6. Exhibits

The following documents are filed as an exhibit to this Report:

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Date: May 10, 2013

## **SIGNATURE**

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

SYKES ENTERPRISES, INCORPORATED (Registrant)

By: /s/ W. Michael Kipphut

W. Michael Kipphut Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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May 10, 2013

Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated 400 North Ashley Drive Tampa, FL 33602

We have reviewed, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the unaudited interim financial information of Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated and subsidiaries for the three month periods ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and the nine month period ended December 31, 2012, as indicated in our report dated May 10, 2013; because we did not perform an audit, we expressed no opinion on that information.

We are aware that our report referred to above, which is included in your Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2013, is incorporated by reference in Registration Statement Nos. 333-23681, 333-76629, 333-88359, 333-73260, 333-125178 and 333-178670 on Form S-8.

We also are aware that the aforementioned report, pursuant to Rule 436(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, is not considered a part of the Registration Statement prepared or certified by an accountant or a report prepared or certified by an accountant within the meaning of Sections 7 and 11 of that Act.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Certified Public Accountants Tampa, Florida

## CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14(a)

- I, Charles E. Sykes, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated;
- 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 company as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The company's other certifying officer(s) 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 company 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 company, 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 company'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 company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the company's most recent fiscal quarter (the company's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the company's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The company's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the company's auditors and the audit committee of the company'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 company'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 company's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 10, 2013

/s/ Charles E. Sykes

Charles E. Sykes, President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

## CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14(a)

- I, W. Michael Kipphut, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated;
- 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 company as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The company's other certifying officer(s) 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 company 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 company, 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 company'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 company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the company's most recent fiscal quarter (the company's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the company's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The company's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the company's auditors and the audit committee of the company'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 company'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 company's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 10, 2013

/s/ W. Michael Kipphut

W. Michael Kipphut, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2013 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Charles E. Sykes, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350:

- (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: May 10, 2013 By: /s/ Charles E. Sykes

Charles E. Sykes

President and Chief Executive Officer and Director

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2013 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, W. Michael Kipphut, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350:

- (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: May 10, 2013 By: /s/ W. Michael Kipphut

W. Michael Kipphut Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.