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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2005

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 000-49802

Netflix, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

77-0467272
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

970 University Avenue, Los Gatos, California 95032

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

(408) 317-3700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES ☐ NO ☒.

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

As of November 1, 2005, there were 54,374,037 shares of the registrant's common stock, par value \$0.001, outstanding.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Table of Contents**Netflix, Inc.****Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations****(unaudited)****(in thousands, except per share data)**

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005
Revenues:				
Subscription	\$ 140,414	\$ 172,740	\$ 359,947	\$ 489,213
Sales	1,230	1,577	2,388	3,741
Total revenues	141,644	174,317	362,335	492,954
Cost of revenues:				
Subscription	71,130	97,878	197,178	291,821
Sales	471	1,189	838	2,542
Total cost of revenues	71,601	99,067	198,016	294,363
Gross profit	70,043	75,250	164,319	198,591
Operating expenses:				
Fulfillment*	15,013	17,544	40,176	51,798
Technology and development*	6,325	8,006	17,016	22,674
Marketing*	22,525	32,867	69,695	95,008
General and administrative*	4,122	8,020	10,538	17,925
Stock-based compensation	3,660	3,293	12,229	10,995
Total operating expenses	51,645	69,730	149,654	198,400
Operating income	18,398	5,520	14,665	191
Other income (expense):				
Interest and other income	579	1,491	1,474	3,788
Interest and other expense	(52)	(13)	(113)	(54)
Net income before income taxes	18,925	6,998	16,026	3,925
Provision for income taxes		52		109
Net income	\$ 18,925	\$ 6,946	\$ 16,026	\$ 3,816
Net income per share:				
Basic	\$.36	\$.13	\$.31	\$.07
Diluted	\$.29	\$.11	\$.25	\$.06

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Weighted-average common shares outstanding:				
Basic	52,211	53,693	51,798	53,237
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Diluted	64,449	66,012	64,797	64,928
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*Amortization of stock-based compensation not included in expense line items:				
Fulfillment	\$ 317	\$ 227	\$ 1,293	\$ 1,000
Technology and development	1,672	949	5,164	3,495
Marketing	516	596	1,662	1,963
General and administrative	1,155	1,521	4,110	4,537
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Total stock-based compensation	\$ 3,660	\$ 3,293	\$ 12,229	\$ 10,995
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See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**Netflix, Inc.****Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets****(unaudited)****(in thousands, except share and par value data)**

	As of	
	December 31, 2004	September 30, 2005
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 174,461	\$ 181,886
Prepaid expenses	2,741	2,918
Prepaid revenue sharing expenses	4,695	3,710
Other current assets	5,449	3,404
Total current assets	187,346	191,918
DVD library, net	42,158	52,735
Intangible assets, net	961	469
Property and equipment, net	18,728	30,415
Deposits	1,600	1,568
Other assets	1,000	1,197
Total assets	\$ 251,793	\$ 278,302
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 49,775	\$ 43,951
Accrued expenses	13,131	20,404
Deferred revenue	31,936	34,400
Current portion of capital lease obligations	68	
Total current liabilities	94,910	98,755
Deferred rent	600	875
Total liabilities	95,510	99,630
Commitments and Contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 160,000,000 shares authorized at December 31, 2004 and September 30, 2005; 52,732,025 and 53,961,946 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2004 and September 30, 2005, respectively	53	54
Additional paid-in capital	292,843	308,123
Deferred stock-based compensation	(4,693)	(1,401)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(222)	(222)
Accumulated deficit	(131,698)	(127,882)

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Total stockholders' equity	156,283	178,672
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 251,793	\$ 278,302

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**Netflix, Inc.****Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows****(unaudited)****(in thousands)**

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$ 18,925	\$ 6,946	\$ 16,026	\$ 3,816
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation of property and equipment	1,569	2,424	4,144	6,518
Amortization of DVD library	20,450	24,477	59,718	72,035
Amortization of intangible assets	453	139	1,533	973
Stock-based compensation expense	3,660	3,293	12,229	10,995
Stock option income tax benefits		12		12
Loss on disposal of short-term investments			274	
Gain on disposal of DVDs	(941)	(819)	(1,732)	(2,156)
Non-cash interest expense	11		33	11
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(3,478)	1,401	(5,000)	2,853
Accounts payable	5,116	(12,260)	15,014	(5,824)
Accrued expenses	1,988	6,702	4,215	7,273
Deferred revenue	1,407	903	8,334	2,464
Deferred rent	108	90	246	275
Net cash provided by operating activities	49,268	33,308	115,034	99,245
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of short-term investments			(586)	
Proceeds from sale of short-term investments			45,013	
Purchases of property and equipment	(4,165)	(5,429)	(8,021)	(18,205)
Acquisition of intangible asset		(481)		(481)
Acquisitions of DVD library	(31,986)	(21,939)	(79,639)	(84,197)
Proceeds from sale of DVDs	1,230	1,577	2,388	3,741
Deposits and other assets	(206)	(10)	(393)	(165)
Net cash used in investing activities	(35,127)	(26,282)	(41,238)	(99,307)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	373	3,888	4,497	7,566
Principal payments on notes payable and capital lease obligations	(100)		(329)	(79)
Net cash provided by financing activities	273	3,888	4,168	7,487

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Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(44)		(44)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	14,370	10,914	77,920	7,425
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	153,444	170,972	89,894	174,461
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Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 167,814	\$ 181,886	\$ 167,814	\$ 181,886
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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

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1. Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying condensed consolidated interim financial statements of Netflix, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary (the "Company") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and are consistent in all material respects with those applied in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004. The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Examples include the estimate of useful lives and residual value of its DVD library; the valuation of stock-based compensation; and the recognition and measurement of income tax assets and liabilities. The actual results experienced by the Company may differ from management's estimates.

The interim financial information is unaudited, but reflects all normal recurring adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary to fairly present the information set forth therein. The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and related notes included in the Company's 2004 annual report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2005. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of the results for a full year. Certain amounts reported in previous periods have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The fair value of the Company's cash, short-term investments, accounts payable, accrued expenses and capital lease obligations approximates their carrying value due to their short maturity.

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Restricted Cash

As of September 30, 2005, other assets included restricted cash of \$1,000 related to a workers' compensation insurance deposit.

Revenue Recognition

Subscription revenues are recognized ratably during each subscriber's monthly subscription period. Refunds to subscribers are recorded as a reduction of revenues. Revenues from sales of used DVDs are recorded upon shipment.

Cost of Revenues

Cost of subscription revenues consists of revenue sharing expenses, amortization of the DVD library, amortization of intangible assets related to equity instruments issued to studios, and postage and packaging expenses related to DVDs provided to paying subscribers. Revenue sharing expenses are recorded as DVDs subject to revenue sharing agreements are shipped to subscribers. Cost of DVD sales include the net book value of the DVDs sold, shipping charges and, where applicable, a contractually specified percentage of the sales value for the DVDs that are subject to revenue share agreements.

Fulfillment

Fulfillment expenses represent those costs incurred in operating and staffing the Company's fulfillment and customer service centers, including costs attributable to receiving, inspecting and warehousing the Company's DVD library. Fulfillment expenses also include credit card fees.

Technology and Development

Technology and development expenses consist of payroll and related costs incurred in testing, maintaining and modifying the Company's Web Site, its recommendation service, developing solutions for downloading movies to subscribers, telecommunications systems and infrastructure and other internal-use software systems. Technology and development expenses also include depreciation on computer hardware and capitalized software.

Marketing

Marketing expenses consist of payroll and related expenses and advertising expenses. Advertising expenses include marketing program expenditures and other promotional activities, including revenue sharing expenses, postage and packaging expenses and library amortization related to free trial periods. Advertising costs are expensed as incurred except for advertising production costs, which are expensed the first time the advertising is run.

In November of 2002, the Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) reached a consensus on Issue No. 02-16, *Accounting by a Customer (Including a Reseller) for Certain Consideration Received from a Vendor*, which addresses the accounting for cash consideration given to a reseller of a vendor's products from the vendor. The Company and its vendors participate in a variety of cooperative advertising programs and other promotional programs in which the vendors provide the Company with cash consideration in exchange for marketing and advertising of the vendor's products. If the consideration received represents reimbursement of specific incremental and identifiable costs incurred to promote the vendor's product, it is recorded as an offset to the associated marketing expense incurred. Any reimbursement greater than the costs incurred is recognized as a reduction of cost of revenues when recognized in the Company's statement of operations.

Revenue Sharing Expenses

The Company acquires DVDs from studios and distributors through either direct purchases or revenue sharing agreements. The revenue sharing agreements enable the Company to obtain DVDs at a lower upfront cost than under traditional direct purchase arrangements. Under the revenue sharing agreements, the Company shares a percentage of the actual net revenues

generated by the use of each particular title with the studios over a fixed period of time, or the Title Term, which is typically twelve months for each DVD title. At the end of the Title Term, the Company generally has the option of returning the DVD title to the studio, destroying the title or purchasing the title. The revenue sharing expenses are expensed to Cost of Subscription Revenues as DVDs subject to revenue sharing agreements are shipped to subscribers.

The terms of some revenue sharing agreements with studios obligate the Company to make minimum revenue sharing payments for certain titles. The Company amortizes minimum revenue sharing prepayments (or accretes an amount payable to studios if the payment is due in arrears) as revenue sharing obligations are incurred. A provision for estimated shortfall, if

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any, on minimum revenue sharing payments is made in the period in which the shortfall becomes probable and can be reasonably estimated. Additionally, the terms of some revenue-sharing agreement with studios provide for rebates based on achieving specified performance levels. The Company accrues for these rebates as earned based on historical title performance and estimates of demand for the titles over the remainder of the title term. Actual rebates may vary which could result in an increase or reduction in the estimated amounts previously accrued.

2. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123(R), *Share-Based Payment*, which establishes standards for transactions in which an entity exchanges its equity instruments for goods or services. This standard replaces SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation* and supersedes APB Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*. This Standard requires a public entity to measure the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award. This eliminates the exception to account for such awards using the intrinsic method previously allowable under APB Opinion No. 25. In March 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) issued Staff Accounting Bulletin 107 (SAB 107) which summarizes the views of the SEC staff regarding the interaction between SFAS 123(R) and certain SEC rules and regulations and provides the staff's views regarding the valuation of share-based payment arrangements for public companies. In April 2005, the SEC issued Release 33-8568 delaying the effective date of SFAS 123(R), and as such the Company will be required to implement the provisions of SFAS No. 123(R) beginning January 1, 2006. The Company previously adopted the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123 in the second quarter of 2003, and restated prior periods at that time. Accordingly the Company believes SFAS No. 123(R) will not have a material impact on its financial position or results of operations.

In March 2005, the FASB issued FIN 47, *Accounting for Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations*. FIN 47 clarifies that an entity must record a liability for a conditional asset retirement obligation if the fair value of the obligation can be reasonably estimated. The provision is effective for no later than the end of fiscal years ending after December 15, 2005. The Company does not expect the adoption of this standard to have a material effect on its financial position or results of operations.

In June 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*. SFAS 154 replaces APB Opinion No. 20, *Accounting Changes* and SFAS No. 3, *Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements*. SFAS 154 requires that a voluntary change in accounting principle be applied retrospectively with all prior period financial statements presented on the new accounting principle. SFAS 154 also requires that a change in method of depreciating or amortizing a long-lived nonfinancial asset be accounted for prospectively as a change in estimate, and correction of errors in previously issued financial statements should be termed a restatement. SFAS 154 is effective for accounting changes and correction of errors made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. Although the Company will continue to evaluate the application of SFAS 154, it does not currently believe that the adoption of this standard will have a material impact on its financial position or results of operations.

In September 2005, the Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) issued EITF 05-06, *Determining the Amortization Period for Leasehold Improvements after Lease Inception or Acquired in a Business Combination*. EITF 05-06 requires that leasehold improvements acquired in a business combination be capitalized over the shorter of the useful life of the assets or a term that includes required lease periods and renewals that are deemed to be reasonably assured at the date of acquisition. EITF 05-06 also requires leasehold improvements that are placed in service

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significantly after and not contemplated at or near the beginning of the lease term should be amortized over the shorter of the useful life of the assets or a term that includes required lease periods and renewals that are deemed to be reasonably assured (as defined in paragraph 5 of Statement 13, *Accounting for Leases*) at the date the leasehold improvements are purchased. EITF 05-06 is effective for leasehold improvements that are purchased or acquired in reporting periods beginning after June 29, 2005. Early adoption of the consensus is permitted in periods for which financial statements have not been issued. The Company does not expect the adoption of EITF 05-06 will have a material effect on its financial position or results of operations.

3. DVD Library

The Company remits an upfront payment to acquire titles from the studios and distributors. This payment includes a contractually specified initial fixed license fee that is capitalized and amortized in accordance with the Company's DVD library amortization policy. Volume purchase discounts received from studios on the purchase of titles are recorded as a

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reduction of DVD library inventory when earned. The Company amortizes its DVD library, less estimated salvage value, on a sum-of-the-months accelerated basis over its estimated useful life. The useful life of the new-release DVDs and back-catalogue DVDs is estimated to be 1 year and 3 years, respectively. In estimating the useful life of its DVD library, the Company takes into account library utilization as well as an estimate for lost or damaged DVDs.

Prior to July 1, 2004, the Company amortized the cost of its entire DVD library, including the capitalized portion of the initial fixed license fee, on a sum-of-the-months accelerated basis over one year. However, based on a periodic evaluation of both new release and back-catalogue utilization for amortization purposes, the Company determined that back-catalogue titles have a significantly longer life than previously estimated. As a result, the Company revised the estimate of useful life for the back-catalogue DVD library from a sum of the months accelerated method using a one-year life to the same accelerated method of amortization using a three-year life. The purpose of this change was to more accurately reflect the productive life of these assets. In accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 20, *Accounting Changes* (APB 20), the change in life has been accounted for as a change in accounting estimate on a prospective basis from July 1, 2004. New releases will continue to be amortized over a one year period. As a result of the change in the estimated life of the back-catalogue library, total cost of revenues was \$7.8 million lower, net income was \$7.8 million higher and net income per share was \$0.13 higher for the nine months ended September 30, 2005.

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In addition, in the third quarter of 2004, the Company determined that it was selling fewer previously rented DVDs than estimated but at an average selling price higher than historically estimated. The Company therefore revised its estimate of salvage values, on direct purchase DVDs. For those direct purchase DVDs that the Company estimates it will sell at the end of their useful lives, a salvage value of \$3.00 per DVD has been provided effective July 1, 2004. For those DVDs that the Company does not expect to sell, no salvage value is provided. Simultaneously with the change in accounting estimate of expected salvage values the Company recorded a write-off of approximately \$1.9 million related to non-recoverable salvage value in the third quarter of 2004.

DVD library also includes capitalized film costs in accordance with Statement of Position 00-2 (*SOP 00-2*) *Accounting by Producers or Distributors of Films*. Capitalized film costs include costs to develop and produce movies, which primarily consist of concept development, pre-production and production. Capitalized film costs are stated at the lower of unamortized cost or estimated fair value on an individual film basis. Once a film is released, capitalized film production costs shall be amortized in the proportion that the revenue during the period for each film bears to the estimated revenue to be received from all sources under the individual-film-forecast method as defined in SOP 00-2. In the event a film is not set for production within three years from the time of the first capitalized transaction, all such costs will be expensed. As of September 30, 2005, no film costs had been amortized.

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DVD library and accumulated amortization are as follows:

	As of	
	December 31, 2004	September 30, 2005
DVD library, gross	\$ 198,216	\$ 277,216
Less accumulated amortization	(156,058)	(224,481)
DVD library, net	\$ 42,158	\$ 52,735

4. Intangible Assets

Intangible assets and accumulated amortization consists of the following:

	As of December 31, 2004			As of September 30, 2005		
	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated amortization	Net	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated amortization	Net
Studio intangible assets	\$ 11,528	\$ (10,567)	\$ 961	\$ 11,528	\$ (11,528)	\$
Strategic marketing alliance intangible assets	416	(416)		416	(416)	
Patents				481	(12)	469
Total	\$ 11,944	\$ (10,983)	\$ 961	\$ 12,425	\$ (11,956)	\$ 469

In the third quarter of 2005, the Company capitalized \$481 related to certain technology patents acquired. The capitalized patents are being amortized to Technology and Development in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations over the remaining life of the patents, the last of which expires in September 2015.

5. Stock-Based Compensation

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In 2003, the Company adopted the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, as amended by SFAS No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation - Transition and Disclosure, an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 123*, for stock-based employee compensation.

During the third quarter of 2003, the Company began granting stock options to its employees on a monthly basis. Such stock options are designated as non-qualified stock options and vest immediately, in comparison with the three to four-year vesting periods for stock options granted prior to the third quarter of 2003. As a result of immediate vesting, stock-based compensation expense determined under SFAS No. 123 is fully recognized upon the stock option grants. For those stock options granted prior to the third quarter of 2003 with three to four-year vesting periods, the Company continues to amortize the deferred compensation associated with the stock options over their remaining vesting periods.

The fair value of options granted was estimated at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes pricing model with the following assumptions:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005
Dividend yield	0%	0%	0%	0%
Expected volatility	76% - 83%	46%	65% - 83%	45% - 85%
Risk-free interest rate	2.08% - 2.85%	3.89% - 3.93%	1.47% - 2.85%	2.85% - 3.93%
Expected life (in years)	1.0 - 2.5	3.0 - 4.0	1.0 - 2.5	1.0 - 4.0

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In light of recent guidance in SAB 107, the Company reevaluated the assumptions used to estimate the value of stock options granted in the second quarter of 2005. The Company revised the volatility factor used to estimate the fair value of stock-based compensation awarded beginning in second quarter of 2005 to be based on a blend of historical volatility of its common stock and implied volatility of tradable forward call options to purchase shares of its common stock. Prior to the second quarter of 2005, the Company estimated future volatility based on historical volatility of its common stock over the most recent period commensurate with the estimated expected life of the Company's stock options.

For purpose of determining the expected term assumption, the Company bifurcates its option grants into two employee groupings. Each grouping has exhibited different exercise behavior. In the second quarter of 2005, the Company refined its estimate of expected term for option grants from 1 year for one group and 2.5 years for the other group to 3 years and 4 years, respectively. In determining the estimate, the Company considered several factors, including the historical option exercise behavior of its employees and the terms and vesting periods of the options granted. The Company will continue to monitor the assumptions used to measure stock-based compensation.

6. Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes using the asset and liability method. Deferred income taxes are recognized by applying enacted statutory tax rates applicable to future years to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. The measurement of deferred tax assets is reduced, if necessary, by a valuation allowance for any tax benefits for which future realization is uncertain.

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Basic net income per share is computed using the weighted-average number of outstanding shares of common stock during the period. Diluted net income per share is computed using the weighted-average number of outstanding shares of common stock and, when dilutive, potential common shares outstanding during the period. Potential common shares consist primarily of incremental shares issuable upon the assumed exercise of stock options and warrants to purchase common stock using the treasury stock method. The shares used in the computation of net income per share are as follows (rounded to the nearest thousand):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005
Weighted-average shares - basic	52,211,000	53,693,000	51,798,000	53,237,000
Effect of dilutive potential common shares:				
Warrants	8,426,000	8,443,000	8,663,000	8,204,000
Employee stock options	3,812,000	3,876,000	4,336,000	3,487,000
Weighted-average shares - diluted	64,449,000	66,012,000	64,797,000	64,928,000

For the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2005, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2005, employee stock options with exercise prices greater than the average market price of the common stock were excluded from the diluted calculation as their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive. No outstanding warrants were excluded from the diluted calculation as their exercise prices were lower than the average market price of the common stock for all periods presented. The following table summarizes the outstanding potential common shares excluded from the diluted calculation (rounded to the nearest thousand):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005
Employee stock options	872,000	773,000	515,000	1,244,000

8. Comprehensive Income

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The Company's comprehensive income consists of net income, foreign currency translation adjustments and net unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale investments. The balance in accumulated other comprehensive income consists of foreign currency translation adjustments. During the second quarter of 2004, the Company liquidated all of its available-for-sale investments.

The components of comprehensive income are as follows:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005
Net income	\$ 18,925	\$ 6,946	\$ 16,026	\$ 3,816
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Net unrealized losses on available-for-sale investments			(870)	
Add: reclassification adjustment for losses realized in net income			274	
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(44)		(44)	
Comprehensive income	\$ 18,881	\$ 6,946	\$ 15,386	\$ 3,816

9. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, in the normal course of its operations, the Company is a party to litigation matters and claims, including claims relating to employee relations and business practices. Litigation can be expensive and disruptive to normal business operations. Moreover, the results of complex legal proceedings are difficult to predict. Listed below are material legal proceedings to which the Company is a party. An unfavorable outcome of any of these matters could have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, liquidity or results of operations.

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Between July 22 and September 9, 2004, seven purported securities class action suits were filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California against the Company and, in the aggregate, Reed Hastings, W. Barry McCarthy, Jr., and Leslie J. Kilgore. These class action suits were consolidated in January 2005, and a consolidated complaint was filed on February 24, 2005. The complaint alleges violations of certain federal securities laws, seeking unspecified damages on behalf of a class of purchasers of our common stock between October 1, 2003 and October 14, 2004. The plaintiffs allege that the Company made false and misleading statements and omissions of material facts based on its disclosure regarding churn and delivery speed, claiming alleged violations by each named defendant of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder and alleged violations by certain of its officers of Section 20A of Securities Exchange Act of 1934. On June 28, 2005, the Court dismissed the action with leave to amend. Plaintiffs did so amend, and the Company filed a motion to dismiss the amended complaint. A hearing on the motion to dismiss is scheduled for November 17, 2005.

On September 14, 2004, BTG International Inc. filed suit against the Company and other, unaffiliated companies in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleged that the Company infringed U.S. Patent No. 5,717,860 entitled Method and Apparatus for Tracking the Navigation Path of a User on the World Wide Web. The complaint also alleged infringement of another patent by certain of the other named defendants, not including the Company.

On August 12, 2005, the Company entered into a settlement agreement and patent license agreement to settle all patent litigation with BTG and certain other parties. The action was dismissed with prejudice on August 12, 2005.

On September 23, 2004, Frank Chavez, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, filed a class action lawsuit against the Company in California Superior Court, City and County of San Francisco. The complaint asserts claims of, among other things, false advertising, unfair and deceptive trade practices, breach of contract as well as claims relating to the Company's statements regarding DVD delivery times. On September 22, 2005, the Company agreed to a tentative settlement which remains subject to final court approval. The court granted preliminary approval on October 27, 2005 and a hearing for final approval is scheduled for January 18, 2006. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, Netflix subscribers who were enrolled in a paid membership before January 15, 2005 and were a member on October 19, 2005 are eligible to receive a free one-month upgrade in service level and Netflix subscribers who were enrolled in a paid membership before January 15, 2005 and were not a member on October 19, 2005 are eligible to receive a free one-month Netflix membership of either the 1, 2 or 3 DVDs at-a-time unlimited program. The Company has also agreed to pay the plaintiffs' attorneys' fees and expenses in an amount not to exceed \$2,530. The Company estimates the total cost of the settlement will be approximately \$3,980 with the actual cost dependent upon many unknown factors such as the number of current and former Netflix subscribers who will claim the settlement benefit. In accordance with SFAS No. 5, *Accounting for Contingencies*, we have recorded a charge against earnings in General and administrative expenses of \$3,980 associated with the legal fees and the free one month membership to former subscribers in the third quarter of 2005. The charge for the free one month upgrade to the next level program for existing subscribers will be recorded as a reduction of revenues in future periods when the subscribers utilize the upgrade. The Company also recorded an insurance receivable of \$800 in the third quarter of 2005, representing the portion of legal fees to be reimbursed by the Company's insurer. The Company denies any wrongdoing or liability. There can be no assurance that failure to approve the settlement will not have a material adverse effect on the Company.

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On October 19, 2004, Doris Staehr and Steve Staehr, shareholders claiming to be acting on the Company's behalf, filed a shareholder derivative suit in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Santa Clara against certain officers and certain current and former members of the board of directors, specifically Reed Hastings, W. Barry McCarthy, Thomas R. Dillon, Leslie J. Kilgore, Richard Barton, Timothy Haley, Jay Hoag, A. Robert Pisano, Michael Schuh and Michael Ramsay. The plaintiffs claim that the named defendants breached their fiduciary duties by allowing allegedly false and misleading statements to be made regarding, among other things, churn. They also claim that the named defendants illegally traded the Company's stock while in possession of material nonpublic information. In addition, the plaintiffs assert claims for abuse of control, gross mismanagement, waste and unjust enrichment. The lawsuit seeks, on the Company's behalf, unspecified compensatory and enhanced damages, disgorgement of profits earned through alleged insider trading, recovery of attorneys' fees and costs, and other relief. In December 2004, the Court stayed this proceeding pending resolution of a similar action brought by Miles L. Mitzner, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, and further stayed this proceeding pending resolution of the securities class action suit described above. Although the action brought by Mr. Mitzner was dismissed in February 2005 and the securities class action suit was dismissed with leave to amend, as of the date of the filing of this report the stay in the Staehr action had not been lifted by the Superior Court.

10. Intellectual Property Indemnification Obligations

In the ordinary course of business, the Company has entered into contractual arrangements under which it has agreed to provide indemnification of varying scope and terms to business partners and other parties with respect to certain matters, including, but not limited to, losses arising out of the Company's breach of such agreements and out of intellectual property infringement claims made by third parties. In these circumstances, payment by the Company is conditional on the other party making a claim pursuant to the procedures specified in the particular contract, which procedures typically allow the Company to challenge the claims. Further, the Company's obligations under these agreements may be limited in terms of time and/or amount, and in some instances, the Company may have recourse against third parties for certain payments made by it under these agreements. In addition, the Company has entered into indemnification agreements with its directors and certain of its officers that will require it, among other things, to indemnify them against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as directors or officers. The terms of such obligations vary. It is not possible to make a reasonable estimate of the maximum potential amount of future payments under these or similar agreements due to the conditional nature of the Company's obligations and the unique facts and circumstances involved in each particular agreement. No amount has been accrued in the accompanying financial statements with respect to these indemnification obligations.

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

Forward-Looking Statements

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding our business growth, operating expenses, churn, gross margin and liquidity. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and events to differ. A detailed discussion of these and other risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from such forward-looking statements is included as part of our 2004 annual report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2005.

We undertake no obligation to revise or publicly release the results of any revision to any forward-looking statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q or to explain why actual results differ.

Overview

Our Business

We are the largest online movie rental subscription service providing more than 3,500,000 subscribers access to a comprehensive library of more than 50,000 movie, television and other filmed entertainment titles. Our most popular subscription plan allows subscribers to have up to three titles out at the same time with no due dates, late fees or shipping charges for \$17.99 per month. In addition, we offer a number of other subscription plans to accommodate a variety of movie watching preferences. Subscribers select titles at our Web site aided by our proprietary recommendation service, receive them on DVD by U.S. mail and return them to us at their convenience using our prepaid mailers. After a title has been returned, we mail the next available title in a subscriber's queue. The terms and conditions by which subscribers utilize our service and a more detailed description of how our service works can be found at www.netflix.com/TermsOfUse.

Our business has grown rapidly since inception, resulting in substantially increased revenues. Our growth has been fueled by the rapid adoption of DVDs as a medium for home entertainment as well as increased awareness of online DVD rentals. We expect that our business will continue to grow as the market for online DVD rentals continues to grow, a reflection of both the convenience and value of the subscription rental model.

We derive substantially all of our revenues from monthly subscription fees. In the third quarter of 2005, we continued to show strong growth in our subscription base and subscription revenues. However, despite our overall revenue growth, net income was lower in the third quarter of 2005 as compared to 2004 as a result of having lowered the subscription price of our most popular service plan in the fourth quarter of 2004 while increasing marketing spending as well as due to the accrual of the estimated settlement costs of the *Chavez vs. Netflix, Inc.* lawsuit.

In the third quarter, Blockbuster raised the subscription price of its 3-out monthly subscription plan by \$3.00 to \$17.99 per month and indicated it was pushing out its 2 million subscriber target to sometime in 2006. It remains possible that other potential entrants, such as Amazon.com, will

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offer competing services, either directly or in conjunction with others or that Blockbuster will gain more traction in its current business. In light of the estimated costs a competitor would incur to effectively compete with us as well as our existing market leadership and low cost operating structure, we consider the emergence of new direct competition less likely than a year ago. We continue to focus on retaining our leadership position and growing our business.

We continue to focus on the two new revenue initiatives launched in the second quarter of 2005: retail sales of previously-viewed DVDs and our Ad Sales program. We also continue to invest resources to develop solutions for downloading movies to consumers. Our core strategy has been and remains to grow a large DVD subscription business; However, as technology and infrastructure develop to allow effective and convenient delivery of movies over the Internet and when meaningful content becomes available, we intend to offer our subscribers the choice of receiving their movies on DVD or by downloading, whichever they prefer.

Key Business Metrics

Management periodically reviews certain key business metrics in order to evaluate the effectiveness of our operational strategies, allocate resources and maximize the financial performance of our business. The key business metrics include the following:

Churn: Churn is a monthly measure defined as customer cancellations in the quarter divided by the sum of beginning subscribers and gross subscriber additions, then divided by three months. Management reviews this metric to evaluate whether we are retaining our existing subscribers in accordance with our business plans.

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Subscriber Acquisition Cost: Subscriber acquisition cost is defined as total marketing expense divided by total gross subscriber additions. Management reviews this metric to evaluate how effective our marketing programs are in acquiring new subscribers on an economical basis.

Gross Margin: Management reviews gross margin in conjunction with churn and subscriber acquisition cost as a measure of operating efficiency.

Management believes it is useful to monitor these metrics together and not individually as it does not make business decisions based upon any single metric. Please see *Results of Operations* below for further discussion on these key business metrics.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Other than the change in estimates used to determine stock-based compensation expense, there have been no significant changes during the nine months ended September 30, 2005 to the items that we disclosed as our critical accounting policies and estimates in 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, 2004.

Stock-Based Compensation

We account for stock-based compensation expenses in accordance with the fair value recognition provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, as amended by SFAS No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation: Transition and Disclosure, an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 123*. We use the Black-Scholes option-pricing model which requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the option's expected life and the price volatility of the underlying stock. Changes in the subjective input assumptions can materially affect the estimate of fair value of options granted and our results of operations could be materially impacted. In light of recent guidance in Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 107 (SAB 107), we reevaluated the assumptions used to estimate the value of stock options beginning in the second quarter of 2005.

Expected volatility: We determined that implied volatility of publicly traded options in our common stock is expected to be more reflective of market conditions and, therefore, can reasonably be expected to be a better indicator of expected volatility than historical volatility of our common stock. Therefore, we revised the volatility factor used to estimate the fair value of stock-based compensation awards beginning in the second quarter of 2005 to be based on a blend of historical volatility of our common stock and implied volatility of tradable forward call options to purchase shares of our common stock. Prior to the second quarter of 2005, we estimated future volatility based on historical volatility of our common stock over the most recent period commensurate with the estimated expected life of our stock options.

Expected Term: Prior to the third quarter of 2003, we granted stock options, which generally vest over three to four-year periods. Since the third quarter of 2003, we began granting fully vested stock options to our employees on a monthly basis. As a result, we changed the expected life from 3.5 years to 1.5 years. In the second quarter of 2004, we revised our estimate of expected life based on our review of historical patterns for exercises of stock options. We bifurcated our option grants into two employee groupings who exhibited different exercise behavior and changed the estimate of the expected life from 1.5 years for all option grants in the first quarter of 2004 to 1 year for one group and 2.5 years for the other group beginning in the second quarter of 2004. In the second quarter of 2005, we further refined our estimate of expected term for option grants to 3 years for one group and 4 years for the other group from 1 year and 2.5 years, respectively. In determining the estimate, we considered several factors, including the historical option exercise behavior of our employees and the terms and vesting periods of the options granted. We shall continue to monitor the

assumptions used to measure stock-based compensation.

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The following table sets forth, for the periods presented, the line items in our Statements of Operations as a percentage of total revenues. The information contained in the table below should be read in conjunction with the Financial Statements, Notes to Financial Statements, and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,
	2004	2005	2004	2005
Revenues:				
Subscription	99.1%	99.1%	99.3%	99.2%
Sales	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.8
Total revenues	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Cost of revenues:				
Subscription	50.2	56.1	54.4	59.2
Sales	0.3	0.7	0.2	0.5
Total cost of revenues	50.5	56.8	54.6	59.7
Gross profit	49.5	43.2	45.4	40.3
Operating expenses:				
Fulfillment	10.6	10.1	11.1	10.5
Technology and development	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.6
Marketing	15.9	18.9	19.2	19.3
General and administrative	2.9	4.6	2.9	3.6
Stock-based compensation	2.6	1.8	3.4	2.2
Total operating expenses	36.5	40.0	41.3	40.2
Operating income	13.0	3.2	4.1	0.1
Other income (expense):				
Interest and other income	0.4	0.8	0.3	0.7
Interest and other expense				
Net income before income taxes	13.4	4.0	4.4	0.8
Provision for income taxes				
Net income	13.4%	4.0%	4.4%	0.8%

Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 Compared to Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005***Revenues***

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 30,	September 30,	Percent	September 30,	September 30,	Percent
	2004	2005	Change	2004	2005	Change
	(in thousands, except percentages and average monthly subscription revenue per paying subscriber)					
Revenues:						
Subscription	\$ 140,414	\$ 172,740	23.0%	\$ 359,947	\$ 489,213	35.9%
Sales	1,230	1,577	28.2%	2,388	3,741	56.7%
Total revenues	\$ 141,644	\$ 174,317	23.1%	\$ 362,335	\$ 492,954	36.0%
Average number of paying subscribers	2,080	3,266	57.0%	1,881	2,984	58.6%
Average monthly subscription revenue per paying subscriber	\$ 22.50	\$ 17.63	(21.6)%	\$ 21.26	\$ 18.22	(14.3)%

We currently generate all of our revenues in the United States. We derive substantially all of our revenues from monthly subscription fees and recognize subscription revenues ratably during each subscriber's monthly subscription period. In addition, we generate a small portion of our revenues from the sale of previously-viewed DVDs and recognize such revenues when the DVDs are shipped.

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The increase in our subscription revenues for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year periods was primarily attributable to substantial growth in the average number of paying subscribers as summarized in the table above, offset in part by a decline in average monthly subscription revenue per paying subscriber. We believe the increase in the number of paying subscribers was driven primarily by increased consumer awareness of the benefits of online DVD rentals and continuing improvements in our service. The decline in the average monthly subscription revenue per paying subscriber was a result of the price decrease of our most popular subscription plan coupled with the increased promotion of our lower cost subscription plans. In June 2004, we increased the monthly subscription price of our most popular subscription plan from \$19.95 to \$21.99. However, effective November 2004, in response to the changing competitive landscape, we lowered the price to \$17.99. In addition, we introduced new lower cost subscription plans in the second quarter of 2005. We expect the average revenue per paying subscriber to continue to decline as we promote our lower cost subscription plans.

Subscriber churn was 4.3 percent in the third quarter of 2005, down from 5.6 percent in the third quarter of 2004 and 4.7 percent in the second quarter of 2005. We believe the decline was primarily due to the following factors:

The impact of pricing and the introduction of lower cost subscription plans. The reduction in the price of our most popular subscription plan from \$21.99 per month to \$17.99 per month effective November 1, 2004 caused a decline in churn. Additionally, the introduction of lower cost subscription plans also contributed to the decline in churn.

Aging subscriber base. As we grow, the ratio of new subscribers to total subscribers declines, leading to an increase in the average duration, or age, of the subscriber base. New subscribers are actually more likely to cancel their subscriptions than older subscribers, and therefore, an increase in subscriber age helps overall reductions in churn.

Service improvements. We continued to make improvements in a number of key areas, including increasing the selection of titles as we expanded our DVD library and enhancing our Web site and recommendation service. We believe these improvements to our service increased subscriber satisfaction, which resulted in lower churn.

If we are unable to compete effectively against Blockbuster and our other existing competitors as well as against potential new entrants into the online movie rental subscription business such as Amazon, in both retaining our existing subscribers and attracting new subscribers, our churn will likely increase and our business will be adversely affected.

The following table presents our ending subscriber information:

	As of	
	September 30,	September 30,
	2004	2005
	(in thousands, except percentages)	
Free subscribers	94	169
As a percentage of total subscribers	4.2%	4.7%
Paid subscribers	2,135	3,423
As a percentage of total subscribers	95.8%	95.3%
Total Subscribers	2,229	3,592

Cost of Revenues

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 30,	September 30,	Percent	September 30,	September 30,	Percent
	2004	2005	Change	2004	2005	Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)					
Cost of revenues:						
Subscription	\$ 71,130	\$ 97,878	37.6%	\$ 197,178	\$ 291,821	48.0%
Sales	471	1,189	152.4%	838	2,542	203.3%
Total cost of revenues	\$ 71,601	\$ 99,067	38.4%	\$ 198,016	\$ 294,363	48.7%

Cost of subscription revenues consists of revenue sharing expenses, amortization of our DVD library, amortization of intangible assets related to equity investments issued to studios, and postage and packaging expenses related to shipping titles to paying subscribers. Costs related to free-trial subscribers are allocated to marketing expenses. Cost of DVD sales include the net book value of the DVDs sold, shipping charges and, where applicable, a contractually specified percentage of the sales value for the DVDs that are subject to revenue share agreements.

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The increase in cost of subscription revenues in absolute dollars for the three months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year period was primarily attributable to the following factors:

The number of DVDs mailed to paying subscribers increased 47 percent, which was driven by a 57 percent increase in the number of average paying subscribers offset by a slight decline in monthly movie rentals per average paying subscriber.

Postage and packaging expenses increased by 46 percent primarily due to the increase in the number of average paying subscribers and the number of DVDs mailed to paying subscribers.

DVD amortization increased by 21 percent primarily due to increased acquisitions for our DVD library.

Revenue sharing expenses increased by 43 percent primarily due to the increase in the number of average paying subscribers coupled with an increase in the percentage of DVDs subject to revenue sharing agreements mailed to paying subscribers partially offset by a decrease in revenue share cost per paid shipment.

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The increase in cost of subscription revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year period was primarily attributable to the following factors:

The number of DVDs mailed to paying subscribers increased 56 percent, which was driven by a 59 percent increase in the number of average paying subscribers offset by a slight decline in monthly movie rentals per average paying subscriber.

Postage and packaging expenses increased by 56 percent. This increase was primarily attributable to the increase in the number of average paying subscribers and the number of DVDs mailed to paying subscribers.

DVD amortization increased by 23 percent primarily due to increased acquisitions for our DVD library partially offset by the impact in the current period of \$7.8 million related to the change in estimate of useful life of our back-catalogue DVD library made in the third quarter of 2004.

Revenue sharing expenses increased by 63 percent. This increase was primarily attributable to the increase in the number of average paying subscribers coupled with an increase in the percentage of DVDs subject to revenue sharing agreements mailed to paying subscribers. In addition, revenue sharing expenses were higher in the nine months ended September 30, 2005 due to a provision for the estimated shortfall on certain titles subject to minimum revenue sharing payments.

Gross Profit and Gross Margin

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005
	(in thousands, except percentages)			
Gross profit	\$ 70,043	\$ 75,250	\$ 164,319	\$ 198,591
Gross margin	49.5%	43.2%	45.4%	40.3%

The decline in gross margin for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to the same prior-year periods was attributable to the decline in revenue per paid shipment as a result of the price decrease of our most popular service plan implemented in the fourth quarter of 2004, offset partially by the change in estimate related to the useful life of our back-catalogue DVD library. In addition, the gross margin for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 was favorably impacted by certain credits received from studios resulting from amendments to revenue sharing agreements.

If movie rentals per average paying subscriber increases or if we see more shipments of DVDs subject to revenue share, additional erosion in our gross margin will occur. Additionally, the anticipated increases in postage rates may adversely affect our gross margin.

Operating Expenses:

Fulfillment

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)					
Fulfillment	\$ 15,013	\$ 17,544	16.9%	\$ 40,176	\$ 51,798	28.9%
As a percentage of revenues	10.6%	10.1%		11.1%	10.5%	

The increase in fulfillment expenses in absolute dollars for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year periods was primarily attributable to an increase in personnel-related costs resulting from the higher volume of activities in our customer service and shipping centers, an increase in facility-related costs resulting from expansion of certain of our shipping centers and the addition of new ones, coupled with an increase in credit card fees as a result of the increase in subscriptions.

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As a percentage of revenues, fulfillment expenses declined primarily due to the combination of an increasing revenue base and operational efficiencies, which reduced fulfillment costs per paid shipment by approximately 19 percent and 17 percent for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to the same prior-year periods.

Technology and Development

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)					
Technology and development	\$ 6,325	\$ 8,006	26.6%	\$ 17,016	\$ 22,674	33.3%
As a percentage of revenues	4.5%	4.6%		4.7%	4.6%	

The increase in technology and development expenses in absolute dollars for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year periods was primarily the result of an increase in personnel-related costs. As a percentage of revenues, technology and development expenses increased slightly in the three months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year period due to greater increase in technology and development expenses than revenues. Conversely, technology and development expenses as a percentage of revenues decreased slightly in the nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year period primarily due to a greater increase in revenues than technology and development expenses.

We continuously research and test a variety of potential improvements to our internal hardware and software systems in an effort to improve our productivity and enhance our subscribers' experience. Additionally, we are continuing to develop solutions for downloading movies to subscribers. As a result, we expect that our technology and development expenses will continue to increase in absolute dollars for the remainder of 2005.

Marketing

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages and subscriber acquisition cost)					
Marketing	\$ 22,525	\$ 32,867	45.9%	\$ 69,695	\$ 95,008	36.3%
As a percentage of revenues	15.9%	18.9%		19.2%	19.3%	
Other data:						
Gross subscriber additions	590	921	56.1%	1,933	2,573	33.1%
Subscriber acquisition cost	\$ 38.18	\$ 35.69	(6.5)%	\$ 36.06	\$ 36.92	2.4%

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The increase in marketing expenses in absolute dollars for the three months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year period was primarily attributable to an increase in marketing program costs, primarily direct mail, radio, television and online advertising, to attract new subscribers. The increase in marketing expenses in absolute dollars for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year period was primarily attributable to an increase in marketing program costs to attract new subscribers coupled with a slight increase in personnel-related costs in order to support the higher volume of marketing activities. However, the increase in marketing expenses for the nine months ended September 2005 was partially offset by a \$1.5 million reduction in liability due to the final settlement of certain marketing programs.

Subscriber acquisition cost decreased for the three months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year period. This decrease was primarily due to increased effectiveness of our marketing programs coupled with a decrease in cost of providing free trials associated with our new lower priced plans. Additionally, subscriber acquisition cost for the third quarter of 2004 was negatively impacted as we prepared to launch our subscription service in the U.K. Subscriber acquisition cost increased slightly for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year period due to an increase in marketing program spending. As a percentage of revenues, marketing expenses increased slightly for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to the same prior-year periods primarily due to a greater increase in marketing expenses than revenues.

We anticipate that our marketing expense will continue to increase for the remainder of 2005. Management plans to operate its marketing programs within the context of overall Company expense goals, which may cause subscriber acquisition cost to fluctuate based on the effectiveness of such marketing programs. In previous quarters, management had

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operated using a subscriber acquisition cost range and consequently total marketing expenses fluctuated based on gross subscriber additions. The competitive landscape, including the continued offering by Blockbuster of its online service, the potential entry of others into the online subscription rental business, could adversely impact our marketing expenditures as we seek to maintain and increase our market leadership.

General and Administrative

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)					
General and administrative	\$ 4,122	\$ 8,020	94.6%	\$ 10,538	\$ 17,925	70.1%
As a percentage of revenues	2.9%	4.6%		2.9%	3.6%	

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General and administrative expenses consist of payroll and related expenses for executive, finance, content acquisition and administrative personnel, as well as professional fees and other general corporate expenses.

The increase in general and administrative expenses in absolute dollars for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year periods was primarily attributable to an increase in legal costs in the quarter of \$3.2 million (net of expected insurance proceeds of \$0.8 million) related to the accrual of the proposed settlement costs of *Chavez vs. Netflix, Inc.* lawsuit, costs of ongoing legal proceedings as well as an increase in personnel-related costs, insurance costs and professional fees, to support our growing operations. As a percentage of revenues, the increase in general and administrative expenses was primarily due to a greater increase in general and administrative expenses than increase in revenues.

Stock-Based Compensation

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)					
Stock-based compensation	\$ 3,660	\$ 3,293	(10.0)%	\$ 12,229	\$ 10,995	(10.1)%
As a percentage of revenues	2.6%	1.8%		3.4%	2.2%	

The decrease in stock-based compensation expenses in absolute dollars and as a percentage of revenues for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year periods was primarily due to a change in assumptions used to estimate the value of stock options granted in the second and third quarters of 2005.

In light of recent guidance in SAB 107, we reevaluated the assumptions used to estimate the value of stock options granted in the second quarter of 2005. We determined that implied volatility is expected to be more reflective of market conditions and, therefore, can reasonably be expected to be a better indicator of expected volatility than historical volatility. Therefore, we revised the volatility factor used to estimate the fair value of stock-based compensation awarded during the second and third quarters of 2005 to be based on a blend of historical volatility of our common stock and implied volatility of tradable forward call options to purchase shares of our common stock. Prior to the second quarter of 2005, we estimated future volatility based on historical volatility of our common stock over the most recent period commensurate with the estimated expected life of our stock options.

For the purpose of determining the expected term assumption, we bifurcate our option grants into two employee groupings. Each grouping has exhibited different exercise behavior. In the second quarter of 2005, we refined our estimate of expected term for option grants from 1 year for one group and 2.5 years for the other group to 3 years and 4 years, respectively. In determining the estimate, we considered several factors, including the historical option exercise behavior of our employees and the terms and vesting periods of the options granted. We will continue to monitor the assumptions used to measure stock-based compensation expense.

Table of Contents**Other Income (Expense):****Interest and Other Income**

	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	Percent Change
	(in thousands, except percentages)					
Interest and other income	\$ 579	\$ 1,491	157.5%	\$ 1,474	\$ 3,788	157.0%
As a percentage of revenues	0.3%	0.8%		0.4%	0.8%	

Interest and other income consists primarily of interest earned on our cash and cash equivalents, prior to the liquidation of our short-term investments during the second quarter of 2004. The increase in interest and other income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 in comparison with the same prior-year periods was primarily due to higher interest income earned on our cash and cash equivalents due to increased interest rates as well as higher average cash balances. Additionally, interest and other income in the nine months ended September 30, 2004 was lower due to the impact of the realized loss of \$274,000 from the sale of our short-term investments.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Since inception, we have financed our activities primarily through a series of private placements of convertible preferred stock, subordinated promissory notes, our initial public offering and net cash generated from operating activities. As of September 30, 2005, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$181.9 million. We have generated net cash from operations during each quarter since the second quarter of 2001. In order to continue to generate cash from our operations, we must increase our revenues while controlling our operating expenses. Many factors will impact our ability to grow revenues including, but not limited to, the number of subscribers who sign up for our service, the growth or reduction in our subscriber base, and our ability to develop new revenue sources. In addition, we may have to or otherwise choose to lower our prices and increase our marketing expenses in order to grow faster or respond to competition. Although we currently anticipate that cash flows from operations, together with our available funds, will be sufficient to meet our cash needs for the foreseeable future, we may require or choose to obtain additional financing. Our ability to obtain financing will depend on, among other things, our development efforts, business plans, operating performance and the condition of the capital markets at the time we seek financing. If we raise additional funds through the issuance of equity, equity-linked or debt securities, those securities may have rights, preferences or privileges senior to the rights of our common stock, and our stockholders may experience dilution.

The following table summarizes our cash flow activities:

Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005	September 30, 2004	September 30, 2005

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Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 49,268	\$ 33,308	\$ 115,034	\$ 99,245
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(35,127)	(26,282)	(41,238)	(99,307)
Net cash provided by financing activities	273	3,888	4,168	7,487

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, net cash provided by operating activities decreased \$16.0 million and \$ 15.8 million, respectively, in comparison with the same prior-year periods. The decrease was primarily attributable to the decrease in net income, offset in part by the increase in non-cash adjustments to net income, specifically the increase in the amortization of our DVD library as a result of increased purchases of titles and the impact of changes in working capital assets and liabilities.

For the three months ended September 30, 2005, net cash used in investing activities decreased by \$ 8.8 million in comparison with the same prior-year period primarily due to a decrease in acquisition of titles for our DVD library. For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, net cash used in investing activities decreased by \$58.1 million in comparison with the same prior-year period. The change was primarily attributable to the proceeds from the sale of our short-term investments in the second quarter of 2004 of \$45.0 million offset by an increase in the acquisitions of titles for our DVD library to support our larger subscriber base and increased purchases of property and equipment to support our growing operations.

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For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005, net cash provided by financing activities increased \$3.6 million and \$3.3 million, respectively, in comparison with the same prior-year periods. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in the proceeds from our issuance of common stock under our employee stock plans.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

As part of our ongoing business, we do not engage in transactions that generate relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or special purpose entities. Accordingly, our operating results, financial condition and cash flows are not subject to off-balance sheet risks.

Indemnification Arrangements

In the ordinary course of business, we enter into contractual arrangements under which we agree to provide indemnification of varying scope and terms to business partners and other parties with respect to certain matters, including, but not limited to, losses arising out of our breach of such agreements and out of intellectual property infringement claims made by third parties. In addition, we have entered into indemnification agreements with our directors and certain of our officers that will require us, among other things, to indemnify them against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as directors or officers.

The terms of such obligations vary. Generally, a maximum obligation is not explicitly stated, so the overall maximum amount of the obligations cannot be reasonably estimated. To date, we have not incurred material costs as a result of such obligations and have not accrued any liabilities related to such indemnification obligations in our financial statements.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123(R), *Share-Based Payment*, which establishes standards for transactions in which an entity exchanges its equity instruments for goods or services. This standard replaces SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation* and supersedes APB Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock issued to Employees*. This Standard requires a public entity to measure the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award. This eliminates the exception to account for such awards using the intrinsic method previously allowable under APB Opinion No. 25. In March 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) issued Staff Accounting Bulletin 107 (SAB 107) which summarizes the views of the SEC staff regarding the interaction between SFAS 123(R) and certain SEC rules and regulations and provides the staff's views regarding the valuation of share-based payment arrangements for public companies. In April 2005, the SEC issued Release 33-8568 delaying the effective date of SFAS 123(R), and as such the Company will be required to implement the provisions of SFAS No. 123(R) beginning January 1, 2006. The Company previously adopted the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123 in the second quarter of 2003, and restated prior periods at that time. Accordingly, we believe SFAS No. 123(R) will not have a material impact on our financial position or results of operations.

In March 2005, the FASB issued FIN 47, *Accounting for Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations*. FIN 47 clarifies that an entity must record a liability for a conditional asset retirement obligation if the fair value of the obligation can be reasonably estimated. The provision is effective for no later than the end of fiscal years ending after December 15, 2005. We do not expect the adoption of this standard to have a material effect on

our financial position or results of operations.

In June 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*. SFAS 154 replaces APB Opinion No. 20, *Accounting Changes* and SFAS No. 3, *Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements*. SFAS 154 requires that a voluntary change in accounting principle be applied retrospectively with all prior period financial statements presented on the new accounting principle. SFAS 154 also requires that a change in method of depreciating or amortizing a long-lived nonfinancial asset be accounted for prospectively as a change in estimate, and correction of errors in previously issued financial statements should be termed a restatement. SFAS 154 is effective for accounting changes and correction of errors made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. Although we will continue to evaluate the application of SFAS 154, we do not currently believe that the adoption of this standard will have a material impact on our financial position or results of operations.

In September 2005, the Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) issued EITF 05-06, *Determining the Amortization Period for Leasehold Improvements after Lease Inception or Acquired in a Business Combination* . EITF 05-06 requires that leasehold improvements acquired in a business combination be capitalized over the shorter of the useful life of the assets or a term that includes required lease periods and renewals that are deemed to be reasonably assured at the date of acquisition. EITF 05-06

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also requires leasehold improvements that are placed in service significantly after and not contemplated at or near the beginning of the lease term should be amortized over the shorter of the useful life of the assets or a term that includes required lease periods and renewals that are deemed to be reasonably assured (as defined in paragraph 5 of Statement 13) at the date the leasehold improvements are purchased. EITF 05-06 is effective for leasehold improvements that are purchased or acquired in reporting periods beginning after June 29, 2005. Early adoption of the consensus is permitted in periods for which financial statements have not been issued. We do not expect the adoption of EITF 05-06 will have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

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Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

For financial market risks related to changes in interest rates, reference is made to Item 7A Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk contained in Part II of our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004. Our exposure to market risk has not changed materially since December 31, 2004.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q. Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q were effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2005 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal controls will prevent all error and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within Netflix have been detected.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal proceedings

From time to time, in the normal course of business, we are a party to litigation matters and claims, including claims relating to employee relations and business practices. Litigation can be expensive and disruptive to normal business operations. Moreover, the results of complex legal proceedings are difficult to predict. Listed below are the material legal proceedings that have had a material development since our last periodic report.

Between July 22 and September 9, 2004, seven purported securities class action suits were filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California against us and, in the aggregate, Reed Hastings, W. Barry McCarthy, Jr., and Leslie J. Kilgore. These class action suits were consolidated in January 2005, and a consolidated complaint was filed on February 24, 2005. The complaint alleges violations of certain federal securities laws, seeking unspecified damages on behalf of a class of purchasers of our common stock between October 1, 2003 and October 14, 2004. The plaintiffs allege that we made false and misleading statements and omissions of material facts based on our disclosure regarding churn and delivery speed, claiming alleged violations by each named defendant of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder and alleged violations by certain of our officers of Section 20A of Securities Exchange Act of 1934. On June 28, 2005, the Court dismissed the action with leave to amend. Plaintiffs did so amend, and the Company filed a motion to dismiss the amended complaint. A hearing on the motion to dismiss is scheduled for November 17, 2005.

On September 14, 2004, BTG International Inc. filed suit against us and other, unaffiliated companies in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware. The complaint alleged that we infringed U.S. Patent No. 5,717,860 entitled Method and Apparatus for Tracking the Navigation Path of a User on the World Wide Web. The complaint also alleged infringement of another patent by certain of the other named defendants, not including us. On August 12, 2005, we entered into a settlement agreement and a patent license agreement as part of a settlement with BTG and certain other parties. The action was dismissed with prejudice on August 12, 2005.

On September 23, 2004, Frank Chavez, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, filed a class action lawsuit against the Company in California Superior Court, City and County of San Francisco. The complaint asserts claims of, among other things, false advertising, unfair and deceptive trade practices, breach of contract as well as claims relating to our statements regarding DVD delivery times. On September 22, 2005, we agreed to a tentative settlement which remains subject to final court approval. The court granted preliminary approval on October 27, 2005 and a hearing for final approval is scheduled for January 18, 2006. Netflix denies any wrongdoing or liability.

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

(d) Use of Proceeds:

We continue to maintain approximately \$72.0 million of the net proceeds from our initial public offering in May 2002 in cash and cash equivalents.

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(a) Exhibits:

Exhibit			Incorporated by Reference				Filed
Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date	Herewith	
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation	10-Q	000-49802	3.1	August 2, 2004		
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws	S-1/A	333-83878	3.4	April 16, 2002		
3.3	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation	10-Q	000-49802	3.2	August 2, 2004		
4.1	Form of Common Stock Certificate	S-1/A	333-83878	4.1	April 16, 2002		
10.1	Form of Indemnification Agreement entered into by the registrant with each of its executive officers and directors	S-1/A	333-83878	10.1	March 20, 2002		
10.2	2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan	S-1	333-83878	10.2	March 6, 2002		
10.3	Amended and Restated 1997 Stock Plan	S-1/A	333-83878	10.3	May 16, 2002		
10.4	2002 Stock Plan	S-1	333-83878	10.4	March 6, 2002		
10.5	Amended and Restated Stockholders Rights Agreement	S-1	333-83878	10.5	March 6, 2002		
10.6	Office Lease between the registrant and BR3 Partners	S-1	333-83878	10.7	March 6, 2002		
10.7	Lease Agreement with Lincoln-Recp Oakland Opco, LLC, as amended	S-1	333-83878	10.8	March 6, 2002		
10.8	Employment Offer Letter for W. Barry McCarthy	S-1	333-83878	10.9	March 6, 2002		
10.9	Employment Offer Letter for Tom Dillon	S-1	333-83878	10.10	March 6, 2002		
10.10	Employment Offer Letter with Leslie J. Kilgore	S-1	333-83878	10.11	March 6, 2002		
10.11**	Letter Agreement between the registrant and Columbia TriStar Home Entertainment, Inc.	S-1/A	333-83878	10.12	May 20, 2002		
10.12**	Revenue Sharing Output License Terms between the registrant and Warner Home Video	S-1/A	333-83878	10.13	May 20, 2002		
10.13	Form of Subordinated Promissory Note	S-1/A	333-83878	10.14	May 20, 2002		
10.14	Lease between Sobrato Land Holdings and Netflix, Inc.	10-Q	000-49802	10.15	August 2, 2004		
10.15	Lease between Sobrato Interests II and Netflix, Inc.	10-Q	000-49802	10.16	August 2, 2004		
10.16	Description of Director Equity Compensation Plan	8-K	000-49802	10.1	July 5, 2005		
10.17	Executive Severance and Retention Incentive Plan	8-K	000-49802	10.2	July 5, 2005		

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32.1*	Certifications of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the	
	Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	X

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* These certifications are not deemed filed by the SEC and are not to be incorporated by reference in any filing we make under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, irrespective of any general incorporation language in any filings.

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SIGNATURES

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.

NETFLIX, INC.

Dated: November 8, 2005

By: /s/ REED HASTINGS

Reed Hastings

Chief Executive Officer

Dated: November 8, 2005

By: /s/ BARRY MCCARTHY

Barry McCarthy

Chief Financial Officer

(Principal financial and accounting officer)

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