

j2 Global Reports Second Quarter 2011 Results

Achieves Record Quarterly Revenues, EPS and Free Cash Flow Raises Fiscal 2011 Revenues and EPS Guidance Initiates Quarterly Dividend

LOS ANGELES--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- j2 Global Communications, Inc. (NASDAQGS:JCOM) today reported financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2011, announced that it is increasing its fiscal 2011 guidance for revenues and earnings per share, and announced that its Board of Directors has approved the initiation of quarterly cash dividends to its shareholders.

The Company achieved several quarterly records, including the following:

- GAAP Revenues of \$85.7 million
- Non-GAAP Earnings Per Diluted Share⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ of \$0.65
- Free Cash Flow⁽³⁾ of \$42.0 million
- Churn⁽⁴⁾ of 2.4%

In addition, the Company added over 31,000 net DIDs in a quarter with no acquisitions and realized near record level operating margins of 44.3%, despite incurring ongoing expense related to the integration of companies acquired last year.

SECOND QUARTER 2011 RESULTS

GAAP Revenues increased 39.8% to a quarterly record \$85.7 million compared to \$61.3 million in Q2 2010.

Non-GAAP net earnings per diluted share (2) increased 41.3% to \$0.65 from \$0.46 in Q2 2010. GAAP net earnings per diluted share increased 48.8% to \$0.61 for Q2 2011 from \$0.41 for Q2 2010.

Free cash flow⁽³⁾ for Q2 2011 was a quarterly record \$42.0 million, inclusive of \$0.5 million, net of tax, in transition-related costs, compared to \$26.4 million in Q2 2010 before the effect of the Company's \$14.2 million settlement payment to the IRS in Q2 2010.

The Company ended the quarter with \$171.6 million in cash and investments.

Key financial results for second quarter 2011 versus second quarter 2010 are as follows:

	Q2 2011	Q2 2010	% Change
GAAP Revenues	\$85.7 million	\$61.3 million	39.8%
Non-GAAP Net Earnings per Diluted Share (1)(2) _{\$0.65}	\$0.46	41.3%
GAAP Net Earnings per Diluted Share ⁽¹⁾	\$0.61	\$0.41	48.8%
Free Cash Flow ⁽³⁾	\$42.0 million	\$26.4 million	59.1%

- (1) The estimated Non-GAAP effective tax rate was approximately 25.7% for Q2 2011 and 31.0% for Q2 2010. The estimated GAAP effective tax rate was approximately 25.4% for Q2 2011 and 30.6% for Q2 2010.
- (2) Non-GAAP earnings per diluted share excludes share-based compensation and related payroll taxes and certain transition-related costs, in each case net of tax.
- (3) Free cash flow is defined as net cash provided by operating activities, less purchases of property, plant and equipment, plus excess tax benefit (deficiency) from share-based compensation. The amount shown for Q2 2010 excludes the impact of a \$14.2 million settlement payment made to the IRS during that quarter.

(4) Please refer to our Q2 2011 Investor Presentation available at http://investor.j2global.com for the definition of churn.

"Our performance for the first half of the year has exceeded our expectations for revenues, EPS, free cash flow and churn, and has caused us to increase our financial guidance for the full fiscal year," said Hemi Zucker, j2 Global's chief executive officer. "I am pleased that our Board has approved the initiation of a quarterly dividend, as this returns cash to our shareholders and positions us to broaden our shareholder base. It also reflects the Board's confidence in our operating and financial position."

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

j2 Global is increasing its previously issued financial estimates for fiscal 2011 as follows:

	Prior Estimate	Increased Estimate
Non-GAAP Revenues ⁽¹⁾	\$320 to \$340 million	\$335 to \$345 million
Non-GAAP Net Earnings per Diluted Share ⁽¹⁾	\$2.21 to \$2.42	\$2.46 to \$2.56

(1) Excludes, where applicable, \$9 to \$11 million of share-based compensation expense, \$4 to \$6 million of transition-related costs and the impact of a Q1 2011 one-time, non-cash, change in estimate relating to deferred revenues.

It is anticipated that the normalized Non-GAAP effective tax rate for fiscal 2011 (exclusive of the release of certain FIN 48 reserves) will be between 25% and 27%.

DIVIDEND

The Company's Board of Directors has approved the initiation of quarterly cash dividends to its shareholders. The first quarterly dividend of \$0.20 per common share will be paid on September 19, 2011, to all shareholders of record as of the close of business on September 2, 2011. Future dividends will be subject to Board approval.

About j2 Global Communications

Founded in 1995, j2 Global Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: JCOM) provides cloud based, value-added communication, messaging and data backup services to individuals and businesses around the world. With offices in eight cities worldwide, j2 Global's network spans more than 4,600 cities in 49 countries on six continents. The Company's websites appear in numerous languages, including Dutch, French, German, Spanish, English and more. Payments are accepted in currencies that include the U.S. Dollar, British Pound, Canadian Dollar, Japanese Yen, Euro, Hong Kong Dollar and more. j2 Global provides live sales and customer service support in multiple languages, including English, Spanish, Dutch, German, French, Cantonese and more. j2 Global markets its services principally under the brands eFax®, eVoice®, FuseMail®, Campaigner®, KeepltSafe® and Onebox®. As of December 31, 2010, j2 Global had achieved 15 consecutive fiscal years of revenue growth. For more information about j2 Global, please visit www.j2global.com.

"Safe Harbor" Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: Certain statements in this Press Release are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, particularly those contained in the "Business Outlook" and "Dividend" portions regarding the Company's expected fiscal 2011 financial performance and regarding any future dividend payments. These forward-looking statements are based on management's current expectations or beliefs and are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. These factors and uncertainties include, among other items: subscriber growth and retention; variability of revenue based on changing conditions in particular industries and the economy generally; protection of the Company's proprietary technology or infringement by the Company of intellectual property of others; the risk of adverse changes in the U.S. or international regulatory environments surrounding messaging and communications, including but not limited to the imposition or increase of taxes or regulatory-related fees; sufficient cash flows and liquidity to pay future dividends and the Board approving any such dividends; and the numerous other factors set forth in j2 Global's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). For a more detailed description of the risk factors and uncertainties affecting j2 Global, refer to the 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed by j2 Global on February 28, 2011, and the other reports filed by j2 Global from time-to-time with the SEC, each of which is available at www.sec.gov. The forward-looking statements provided in this press release and particularly those contained in the "Business Outlook" and "Dividend" portions regarding the Company's expected fiscal 2011 financial performance and regarding any future dividend payments are based on limited information available to the Company at this time, which is subject to change. Although management's expectations may change after the date of this press release, the Company undertakes no obligation to revise or update these statements.

	JUNE 30, 2011	DEC	EMBER 31, 2010
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents Short-term investments Accounts receivable,	\$ 129,707 21,249	\$	64,752 14,035
net of allowances of \$3,677 and \$2,588, respectively	/ 17,175		17,423
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	6,215		15,196
Deferred income taxes	4,096		4,096
Total current assets	178,442		115,502
Long-term investments	20,694		8,175
Property and equipment, net	14,619		13,567
Goodwill	277,948		281,848
Other purchased intangibles, net	101,996		99,954
Deferred income taxes	13,026		12,967
Other assets	814		610_
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 607,539	\$	532,623
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 25,094	\$	25,112
Income taxes payable	1,356	Ψ	1,798
Deferred revenue	27,739		16,938
Liability for uncertain tax positions	1,127		13,471
Deferred income taxes	573		573
Total current liabilities	55,889		57,892
Liability for uncertain tax positions	26,603		24,391
Deferred income taxes	17,573		15,293
Other long-term liabilities	3,271		3,302
Total liabilities	103,336		100,878
Commitments and contingencies	_		_
Stockholders' Equity: Preferred stock			
Common stock	542		537
Additional paid-in capital	176,200		164,769
Treasury stock	(112,671)		(112,671)
Retained earnings	440,168		381,145
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(36)		(2,035)
Total stockholders' equity	504,203		431,745
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 607,539	\$	532,623

j2 GLOBAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(UNAUDITED, IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT SHARE AND PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

	THREE MONTHS ENDE			NDED JUNE 30, SIX MONTHS ENDED JUN				ED JUNE 30,
		2011		2010		2011		2010
Revenues								
Subscriber Other	\$	85,298 378	\$	60,560 751	\$	158,166 894	\$	120,107 1,484
Total revenue		85,676		61,311		159,060		121,591
Cost of revenues (including share-based compensation of \$246 and \$490 for the three and six months of 2011, respectively, and \$330 and \$659 for the three and six months of 2010, respectively)		15,158		10,380		30,950		20,646
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Gross profit		70,518		50,931	_	128,110		100,945
Operating expenses: Sales and marketing (including share-based compensation of \$351 and \$699 for the three and six months of 2011, respectively, and \$505 and \$996 for the three and six months of 2010, respectively) Research, development and engineering (including share-based compensation of \$110 and \$257 for the three and		14,345		10,297		29,856		21,449
six months of 2011, respectively, and \$221 and \$441 for the three and six months of 2010, respectively) General and administrative (including share-based compensation of \$1,524 and \$2,990 for the three and six		3,837		2,893		8,609		5,802
months of 2011, respectively, and \$1,993 and \$3,894 for the three and six months of 2010, respectively)		14,392		11,848		28,634		23,342
Total operating expenses		32,574		25,038		67,099		50,593
Operating earnings		37,944		25,893		61,011		50,352
Interest and other income (expense), net		299		1,067		(28)		1,259
Earnings before income taxes		38,243		26,960		60,983		51,611
Provision for income taxes		9,729		8,250		1,534		15,265
Net earnings	\$	28,514	\$	18,710	\$	59,449	\$	36,346
Basic net earnings per common share	\$	0.63	\$	0.42	\$	1.31	\$	0.82
Diluted net earnings per common share	\$	0.61	\$	0.41	\$	1.27	\$	0.80
Basic weighted average shares outstanding		45,399,940		44,493,676		45,247,381		44,372,770
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		46,723,792		45,808,173	_	46,663,866	_	45,651,647

j2 GLOBAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(UNAUDITED, IN THOUSANDS)

SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30. 2011 2010 Cash flows from operating activities: Net earnings \$ 59,449 \$ 36,346 Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities: 10,081 7,897 Depreciation and amortization Amortization of discount or premium of investments 296 391 Share-based compensation 4,436 5,990 (Excess tax benefit) tax deficiency from share-based compensation (2,122)32 Provision for doubtful accounts 744 2,334 Deferred income taxes (59)(716)Loss on disposal of fixed assets 115 Decrease (increase) in: Accounts receivable 334 (4,833)Prepaid expenses and other current assets 3,257 1,703 Other assets (165)(98)(Decrease) increase in: Accounts payable and accrued expenses (553)(58)Income taxes payable 7,632 (9,684)Deferred revenue 10,450 185 3.310 Liability for uncertain tax positions (10, 132)Other 365 629 Net cash provided by operating activities 80,551 47,005 Cash flows from investing activities: Maturity of certificates of deposit 31,653 Sales of available-for-sale investments 8.576 1.650 Purchases of available-for-sale investments (28,542)(39,427)Purchases of property and equipment (2,485)(581)Proceeds from sale of assets 4 1,260 Acquisition of businesses, net of cash received (16,642)(5,250)Purchases of intangible assets (1,860)Net cash used in investing activities (23,047)(28,597)Cash flows from financing activities: Repurchases of common stock and restricted stock (1,243)(3,630)Issuance of common stock under employee stock purchase plan 77 58 Exercise of stock options 5,617 1,498 Excess tax benefit (tax deficiency) from share-based compensation (32)2,122 Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities 6,573 (2,106)

j2 GLOBAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
UNAUDITED RECONCILIATION OF MODIFIED NET EARNINGS
THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 AND 2010
(UNAUDITED, IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT SHARE AND PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

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64,955

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129,707

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Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents

Net increase in cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents at end of period

Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period

Modified net earnings are GAAP net earnings with the following modifications: (1) elimination of share-based compensation expense for 2011 and 2010; (2) elimination of payroll taxes associated with share-based compensation, (3) elimination of certain acquisition and related exit costs and (4) elimination of income tax expense associated with share-based compensation, the associated payroll taxes, and certain acquisition and related exit costs.

Modified net earnings and modified net earnings per share are not meant as a substitute for measures determined under GAAP, but are solely for informational purposes. The following table illustrates and reconciles the GAAP net earnings with the aforementioned exclusions. The Company believes that this non-GAAP financial information are useful measures of operating performance because they exclude certain non-cash or non-ordinary course transactions.

	THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2011			THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010			
	Reported	Non-GAA	P Entries	Non-GAAP	Reported	Non-GAAP Entries	Non-GAAP
Revenues Subscriber Other	\$ 85,298 378			\$ 85,298 378	\$ 60,560 751	\$ - -	\$ 60,560 751
Total revenue	85,676	-		85,676	61,311	-	61,311
Cost of revenues	15,158	(264)	(1),(3)	14,894	10,380	(330) (1)	10,050
Gross profit	70,518	264		70,782	50,931	330	51,261
Operating expenses: Sales and marketing Research,	14,345	(375)	(1),(3)	13,970	10,297	(505) ⁽¹⁾	9,792
development and engineering	3,837	(138)	(1),(3)	3,699	2,893	(221) ⁽¹⁾	2,672
General and administrative	14,392	(2,134)	(1),(2),(3)	12,258	11,848	(2,216) (1),(2),(3)	9,632
Total operating expenses	32,574	(2,647)		29,927	25,038	(2,942)	22,096
Operating earnings	37,944	2,911		40,855	25,893	3,272	29,165
Interest and other income (expense), net	e 299			299	1,067		1,067
Earnings before income taxes	38,243	2,911		41,154	26,960	3,272	30,232
Provision for income taxes	9,729	862	(4)	10,591	8,250	1,022 (4)	9,272
Net earnings	\$ 28,514	\$ 2,049		\$ 30,563	\$ 18,710	\$ 2,250	\$ 20,960
Diluted net earnings per share	\$ 0.61			\$ 0.65	\$ 0.41		\$ 0.46
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	46,723,792			46,723,792	45,808,173		45,808,173

(1) Share-based compensation expense:		
Cost of revenues Sales and marketing	\$ (246) (351)	\$ (330) (505)
Research, development and engineering General and administrative	(110)	(221)
General and administrative	(1,524) \$ (2,231)	(1,993) \$ (3,049)
(2) Payroll taxes associated with share-based compensation		
General and administrative	(21) \$ (21)	(148) \$ (148)
(3) Acquisition and exit costs:		
Cost of revenues Sales and marketing	\$ (18) (24)	\$ - -
Research, development and engineering	(28)	-
General and administrative	(589) \$ (659)	(75) \$ (75)
(4) Income tax adjustment, net impact of the items above		
Share-based compensation expense	689	954
Payroll taxes associated with share- based compensation	6	45
Acquisition and exit costs	167 \$ 862	\$ 1,022

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UNAUDITED RECONCILIATION OF MODIFIED NET EARNINGS
SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 AND 2010
(UNAUDITED, IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT SHARE AND PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

Modified net earnings are GAAP net earnings with the following modifications: (1) elimination of the impact to revenues resulting from a change in estimate of deferred revenue, (2) elimination of share-based compensation expense for 2011 and 2010; (3) elimination of payroll taxes associated with share-based compensation, (4) elimination of certain acquisition and related exit costs and (5) elimination of income tax expense associated with change in estimate of deferred revenue, share-based compensation and associated payroll taxes, certain acquisition and related exit costs and the change to our liability of uncertain tax position due to expiration of statutes of limitations.

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SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2011			SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010				
Reported	Non-GAAP Entries	Non-GAAP	Reported	Non-GAAP Entries	Non-GAAP		

Revenues Subscriber	\$ 158,166	\$ 10,325	(1)	\$ 168,491	\$ 120,107	\$ -		\$	120,107
Other	894			894	1,484	<u>-</u>			1,484
Total revenue	159,060	10,325		169,385	121,591	-			121,591
Cost of revenues	30,950	(835)	(2),(3),(4)	30,115	20,646	(659)	(2)		19,987
Gross profit	128,110	11,160		139,270	100,945	659			101,604
Operating expenses:									
Sales and marketing Research,	29,856	(1,469)	(2),(3),(4)	28,387	21,449	(996)	(2)		20,453
development and engineering	8,609	(925)	(2),(3),(4)	7,684	5,802	(441)	(2)		5,361
General and administrative	28,634	(4,446)	(2),(3),(4)	24,188	23,342	(4,247)	(2),(3),(4)	- <u></u>	19,095
Total operating expenses	67,099	(6,840)		60,259	50,593	(5,684)			44,909
Operating earnings	61,011	18,000		79,011	50,352	6,343			56,695
Interest and other income (expense), net	(28)			(28)	1,259				1,259
Earnings before income taxes	60,983	18,000		78,983	51,611	6,343			57,954
Provision for income taxes	1,534	18,958	(5)	20,492	15,265	1,966	(5)		17,231
Net earnings	\$ 59,449	\$ (958)		\$ 58,491	\$ 36,346	\$ 4,377		\$	40,723
Diluted net earnings per share	\$ 1.27			\$ 1.25	\$ 0.80			\$	0.89
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	46,663,866			46,663,866	45,651,647			4	<u>5,651,647</u>
(1) Change in estimate revenue	of deferred	\$ 10,325				\$ -			
(2) Share-based comp expense: Cost of revenues Sales and marketin Research, develope engineering General and admin	g ment and	\$ (490) (699) (257) (2,990) \$ (4,436)				\$ (659) (996) (441) (3,894) \$ (5,990)			

(3) Payroll taxes associated with share-based compensation		
Cost of revenues	\$ (6)	\$ -
Sales and marketing	(6)	-
Research, development and	,	
engineering	(5)	-
General and administrative	(52)	(148)
	<u>\$ (69)</u>	\$ (148)
(4) Acquisition and exit costs:		
Cost of revenues	\$ (339)	\$ -
Sales and marketing	(764)	· <u>-</u>
Research, development and	,	
engineering	(663)	-
General and administrative	(1,404)	(205)
	\$ (3,170)	\$ (205)
		
(5) Income tax adjustment, net impa the items above	act of	
Change in estimate of deferred		
revenue	\$ 2,707	\$ -
Share-based compensation		
expense	1,359	1,861
Payroll taxes associated with		
share-based compensation	18	45
Acquisition and exit costs	815	60
Change in uncertain income tax		
position due to expiration of statutes of limitations	14.050	
Statutes of Illilitations	14,059 \$ 18,058	
	\$ 18,958	\$ 1,966

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Free Cash Flows

(in Thousands)

	<u>Q1</u>	<u>Q2</u>	<u>Q3</u>	<u>Q4</u>		<u>YTD</u>
<u>2011</u>						
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 38,153 \$	42,398			\$	80,551
Less: Purchases of property and equipment	(625)	(1,860)				(2,485)
Add: Excess tax (deficiency) benefit from share-based						
compensation	 679	1,443				2,122
Free cash flows*	\$ 38,207 \$	41,981 \$	- \$		- \$	80,188

^{*} Free cash flows were negatively impacted by \$1.4 million due to severance and other exit costs for Q1 2011.

2010

Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 34,688 \$	12,317 \$	27,147 \$	22,233 \$	96,385
Less: Purchases of property and equipment	(86)	(495)	(692)	(569)	(1,842)
Add: Excess tax (deficiency) benefit from share-based					
compensation	(406)	374	196	(102)	62
Add: IRS settlement*	-	14,223	-	-	14,223
Free cash flows**	\$ 34,196 \$	26,419 \$	26,651 \$	21,562 \$	108,828

^{*} Free cash flows of \$26.4 million for Q2 2010 were before the effects of our IRS settlement. In the second quarter, we successfully settled our audit for transfer pricing for the years of 2004 to 2008 for \$14.2 million, which was fully accrued for in prior periods. Taking this settlement into consideration, our free cash flow for the quarter was \$12.2 million.

^{**} Free cash flows were negatively impacted by \$3.0 million due to severance and other exit costs for Q4 2010.

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Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 31,152 \$	20,362 \$	26,469 \$	23,850 \$	101,833
Less: Purchases of property and equipment	(721)	(217)	(767)	(1,546)	(3,251)
Add: Excess tax benefit (deficiency) from share-based compensation	5	2,718	403	(63)	3,063
·	\$ 30,436 \$	22,863 \$	26,105 \$	22,241 \$	101,645
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<u>2008</u>					
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 27,411 \$	23,840 \$	15,676 \$	23,789 \$	90,716
Less: Purchases of property and equipment	(469)	(796)	(937)	(305)	(2,507)
Add: Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation	239	204	212	910	1,565
	\$ 27,181 \$	23,248 \$	14,951 \$	24,394 \$	89,774

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