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A Comprehensive Financial Year in Review



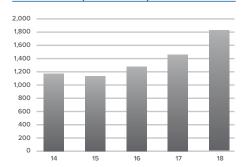




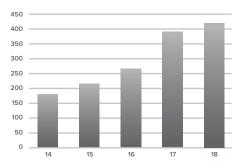


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178,687	219,783	270,360	394,261	418,007	
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251,387	251,829	228,846	228,686	231,793	
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262,459	262,851	244,295	237,019	241,877	
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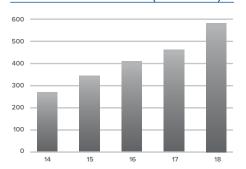
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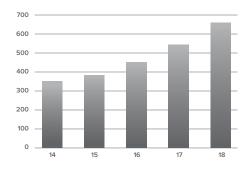
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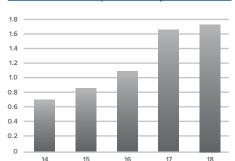
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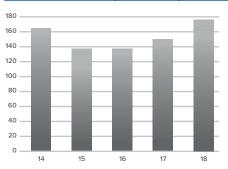
### **EBITDA** (in millions)



### **DILUTED EPS** (in dollars)



**G&A EXPENSES** (in millions)





What a year for Copart. As we reflect on another year gone by, it's clear that fiscal 2018 was yet another invigorating, challenging, and rewarding year among many.

We started the year with one of the costliest natural disasters in U.S. history in Hurricane Harvey, which occurred just down the I-45 corridor from our headquarters in Dallas, Texas. Without hesitation we led the largest mobilization of resources in our Company's history to rapidly retrieve many tens of thousands of vehicles from streets, homes and repair shops; to store and protect them within our substantial network of yards; to process titles expeditiously; and then to auction them efficiently to our global member base. We and our customers have clearly benefitted from the many strategic investments we have made over the years in anticipation of just these sorts of events — our Copart CAT Fleet of in-house trucks and employee drivers, our catastrophic mega-yards, our scalable technology platform, and most importantly, our CAT Team of knowledgeable, dedicated employees from all over the country. And though this response represented a financial loss to Copart, we undertook the effort proudly and enthusiastically as long-time partners to our customers and our communities.

Even aside from catastrophic events, fiscal 2018 represented still another year of robust unit growth for our business with the continuation of favorable trends we've experienced over the past few years. We grew units for the full year by 10%, after growing them by 13% in fiscal 2017. Economic trends remained largely favorable, benign fuel prices enabled ongoing growth in miles driven, and total loss frequency continued to rise. In discussing a number of individual growth drivers in our business, it can be easy to overlook the critical, consistent long-term tailwind that has enabled our

continued organic growth — total loss frequency. Forty years ago, for every car in a traffic accident, approximately 1 in 25 was rendered a total loss. Today, more than 1 in 5 cars involved in an accident is totaled. Amidst other cyclical factors — used car prices, scrap, unemployment, fuel prices, etc. — this is the one secular constant that most gives us conviction in our future growth. We believe in particular that increasing vehicle complexity will drive continued growth in total loss frequency.

In FY18, we achieved average selling prices for our customers' vehicles 17% higher on average over FY17. This improvement is in part a reflection of our substantial member recruitment and marketing efforts with more and more Copart cars sold to international buyers, as well as our customers' growing appreciation for the reason totaling newer, less damaged vehicles can be economically compelling. Rising average selling prices are a good reminder of how much Copart's business has evolved over the past few decades — our auctions today are truly global, liquid marketplaces with thousands of members from all over the world ensuring optimal valuations. To be sure, some of the outsized growth in average selling prices this year was driven by robust used car prices but, as long-time followers of Copart are aware, those same elevated used car prices also reduced Copart's unit volumes in comparison to a lowprice environment.

Of course, sustainable growth requires investment. We continue to lead the industry by a wide margin in investing in capacity and technology. We spent nearly \$300 million in FY18 to enable us to grow with our customers and to serve them more efficiently – we believe this is multiples of the amount that anyone else in our industry invested over that period of time. We opened ten new yards in FY18, to bring our company-



wide total well beyond 200. We developed more than 400 acres of land, targeting, of course, areas with the most robust demand growth as well as our most catastrophic event-prone regions.

One aspect of Copart that is sometimes underappreciated by newer observers is the degree to which we are a technology company. Going back to our earliest days our founder, Willis Johnson, was relentless about acquiring computational resources to differentiate us from the competition, leading to a range of "firsts" we were first to host online photos for our cars, first to operate online auctions, first to extend our technology platform overseas, and so on. Today, our technology investments include advanced machine learning initiatives across multiple facets of our business. For example, our ProQuote engine, an industry-leading pricing estimator used by our customers to value salvage vehicles, is powered by gradient boosting machines that learn from every additional transaction at Copart — its accuracy and trustworthiness have no doubt helped drive our unit growth. Our Vehicle Recommendation engine goes beyond the obvious in suggesting additional vehicles for members to consider, again powered by machine learning engines. Some of our online auction features — including Bonus Time, an auction extension mechanism that achieves higher selling prices for our customers — are backed by similar tools. The list goes on and on. We are committed to deploying next-generation technology across our business to drive the best possible outcomes for our customers in cost-efficient, scalable ways.

Our growth aspirations include expansion in Germany, and by extension the rest of Western Europe as well. We have opened our first six physical yards through early November in Germany and are conducting weekly auctions at two of those sites. With each car we sell in Germany, our conviction in the Copart model of salvage disposition grows ever stronger. Our value proposition in Germany and elsewhere in Europe is simply superior to the status quo in every respect — by achieving substantially better auction outcomes than today's available channels, we will enhance economic outcomes for insurance carriers and policyholders, as well as improve the total loss experience for affected policyholders.

One theme we have been remiss in highlighting in years past is the role Copart plays in supporting environmentally sustainable transportation. Each year, Copart's ability to sell millions of salvage and used vehicles enables the efficient re-building, re-use, and re-cycling of our world's auto fleet. Consider the alternative — vehicles destroyed en masse, instead of being thoughtfully repurposed to enable cost-efficient and environmentally friendly transportation. In addition to serving our customers, our employees, and our shareholders, we take great pride in filling this important role for the world.

In closing, we at Copart are poised for growth with the land to store new vehicles, the prospects to win, the technology to deliver on our promises, and the people to drive the business forward towards another year of growth and success in the future. We look forward to winning with you as our partners.

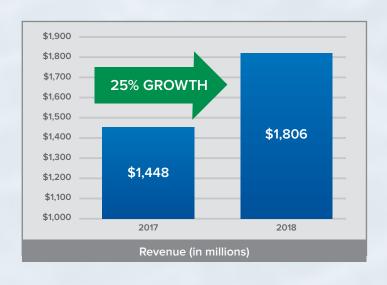
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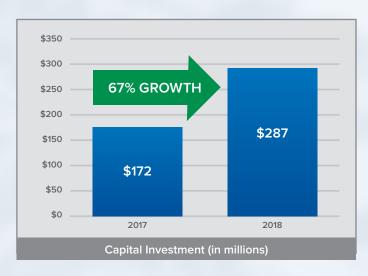
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Chief Executive Officer





### **Investing for Growth**





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# **GLOBAL LEADER IN ONLINE AUCTIONS**

Linking Buyers and Sellers around the world with more than 200 locations worldwide across 11 countries.



# FOCUSED ON THE FUTURE OF GERMANY

Copart Germany is focused on revolutionizing salvage auctions in Europe.

As of July 31, Copart Germany operated at two locations. **As of early**November, 2018, we have 6 locations across the country.



# PREPARED WHEN DISASTER STRIKES

Copart is dedicated to serving communities hit by catastrophic events by doing our part to help recovery efforts. To aid in that service, we have "Mega Yards" in storm-intensive areas of the country and dedicated CAT teams ready to deploy at a moment's notice.





**DEDICATED CAT TEAM** 

MEGA YARDS AND COUNTING

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90+ ACRES AT EACH MEGA YARD

20,000 VEHICLE CAPACITY



# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

### **FORM 10-K**

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

determination of affiliate status is not necessarily conclusive for other purposes.

As of September 28, 2018, 233,916,190 shares of the registrant's common stock were outstanding.

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**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934** For the fiscal year ended July 31, 2018 OR TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE **SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934** for the transition period from Commission file number: 000-23255 COPART, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) 94-2867490 Delaware (State or other jurisdiction (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation or organization) Identification Number) 14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 300, Dallas, Texas 75254 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 391-5000 Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: **Title of Each Class** Name of each exchange on which registered Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value The NASDAQ Global Select Market Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes 🗷 No 🗆 Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes D No 🗷 Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ■ No □ Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes 🗷 No 🗆 Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.  $\Box$ Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Act (check one): Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company Emerging growth company If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. □ Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes 🗆 No 🗷 The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting Common Stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of January 31, 2018 (the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter) was \$8,903,622,911 based upon the closing sales price reported for such date on the NASDAQ Global Select Market. For purposes of this disclosure, shares of Common Stock held by persons who hold more than 5% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock and shares held by officers and directors of the registrant have been excluded in that such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This

### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of our definitive Proxy Statement for the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, also referred to in this Annual Report on Form 10-K as our Proxy Statement, which will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, pursuant to Regulation 14A within 120 days after the registrant's fiscal year end of July 31, 2018, have been incorporated by reference in Part III hereof. Except with respect to the information specifically incorporated by reference, the Proxy Statement is not deemed to be filed as a part hereof.

### Copart, Inc.

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### PART I

### CAUTION REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2018, or this Form 10-K, including the information incorporated by reference herein, contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act). All statements other than statements of historical facts are statements that could be deemed forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terms such as "may," "will," "should," "expect," "plan," "intend," "forecast," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "potential," "continue" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. The forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-K involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and situations that may cause our or our industry's actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these statements. These forward-looking statements are made in reliance upon the safe harbor provision of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These factors include those listed in Part I, Item 1A under the caption entitled "Risk Factors" in this Form 10-K and those discussed elsewhere in this Form 10-K. Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this Form 10-K to "Copart," the "Company," "we," "us," or "our" refer to Copart, Inc. We encourage investors to review these factors carefully together with the other matters referred to herein, as well as in the other documents we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). We may from time to time make additional written and oral forwardlooking statements, including statements contained in our filings with the SEC. We do not undertake to update any forwardlooking statement that may be made from time to time by or on behalf of us.

Although we believe that, based on information currently available to us and our management, the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.

### Item 1. Business

### **Corporate Information**

We were incorporated in California in 1982, became a public company in 1994 and reincorporated into Delaware in January 2012. Our principal executive offices are located at 14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 300, Dallas, Texas 75254 and our telephone number at that address is (972) 391-5000. Our website is *www.copart.com*. The contents of our website are not incorporated by reference into this Form 10-K. We provide free of charge through a link on our website access to our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K, as well as amendments to those reports, as soon as reasonably practical after the reports are electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC.

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### Overview

We are a leading provider of online auctions and vehicle remarketing services with operations in the United States (U.S.), Canada, the United Kingdom (U.K.), Brazil, the Republic of Ireland, Germany, Finland, the United Arab Emirates (U.A.E.), Oman, Bahrain, and Spain.

Our goals are to generate sustainable profits for our stockholders, while also producing environmental and social benefits for the world, by promoting vehicle restoration, repair, and recycling; parts refurbishment and re-use; and facilitating the recovery and resilience of communities affected by severe climate events.

We provide vehicle sellers with a full range of services to process and sell vehicles primarily over the internet through our Virtual Bidding Third Generation internet auction-style sales technology, which we refer to as VB3. Vehicle sellers consist primarily of insurance companies, but also include banks, finance companies, charities, fleet operators, dealers and vehicles sourced directly from individual owners. We sell the vehicles principally to licensed vehicle dismantlers, rebuilders, repair licensees, used vehicle dealers and exporters and, at certain locations, to the general public. The majority of the vehicles sold on behalf of insurance companies are either damaged vehicles deemed a total loss or not economically repairable by the insurance companies, or are recovered stolen vehicles for which an insurance settlement with the vehicle owner has already been made. We offer vehicle sellers a full range of services that help expedite each stage of the vehicle sales process, minimize administrative and processing costs, and maximize the ultimate sales price.

In the U.S., Canada, Brazil, the Republic of Ireland, Germany, Finland, the U.A.E., Oman, Bahrain, and Spain, we sell vehicles primarily as an agent and derive revenue primarily from fees paid by vehicle sellers and vehicle buyers, as well as related fees for services, such as towing and storage. In the U.K. and Germany, we operate both as an agent and on a principal basis, in some cases purchasing salvage vehicles outright and reselling the vehicles for our own account. In Germany and Spain, we also derive revenue from listing vehicles on behalf of insurance companies and insurance experts to determine the vehicle's residual value and/or to facilitate a sale for the insured.

Through our Virtual Bidding Third Generation (VB3) auction platform our sales process is open to registered buyers (whom we refer to as "members") anywhere in the world with access to the internet. This technology and model employ a two-step bidding process. The first step is an open preliminary bidding feature that allows a member to enter bids either at a bidding station at the storage facility or over the internet during the preview period. To improve the effectiveness of bidding, the VB3 system lets members see the current high bids on the vehicles they want to purchase. The preliminary bidding step is an open bid format similar to eBay. Members enter the maximum price they are willing to pay for a vehicle and VB3's BID4U feature will incrementally bid on the vehicle on their behalf during all phases of the auction. Preliminary bidding ends at a specified time prior to the start of a second bidding step, an internet-only virtual auction. This second step allows bidders the opportunity to bid against each other and the high preliminary bidder. The bidders enter bids via the internet in real time while BID4U submits bids for the high preliminary bidder up to their maximum bid. When bidding stops, a countdown is initiated. If no bids are received during the countdown, the vehicle sells to the highest bidder.

We believe the introduction of our virtual auction platform increased the pool of available buyers for each sale, which resulted in added competition and an increase in the amount buyers are willing to pay for vehicles. We also believe that it improved the efficiency of our operations by eliminating the expense and capital requirements associated with live auctions.

For fiscal 2018, sales of U.S. vehicles, on a unit basis, to members registered outside the state where the vehicle was located accounted for 52.3% of total vehicles sold; 30.9% of vehicles were sold to out of state members within the U.S. and 21.4% were sold to International members, based on the address submitted during registration.

We believe that we offer the highest level of service in the auction and vehicle remarketing industry and have established our leading market position by:

- providing coverage that facilitates seller access to buyers around the world, reducing towing and third-party storage expenses, offering a local presence for vehicle inspection stations, and providing prompt response to catastrophes and natural disasters by specially-trained teams;
- providing a comprehensive range of services that includes merchandising, efficient title processing, timely pick-up and delivery of vehicles, and internet sales;
- establishing and efficiently integrating new facilities and acquisitions;
- increasing the number of bidders that can participate at each sale through the ease and convenience of internet bidding;
- applying technology to enhance operating efficiency through internet bidding, web-based order processing, salvage value quotes, electronic communication with members and sellers, and vehicle imaging; and

• providing a venue for insurance customers through our Virtual Insured Exchange (VIX) product to contingently sell a vehicle through our auction process to assess true market value, equipping our insurance customers with market data in its negotiations with owners who wish to retain their damaged vehicles.

Historically, we believe our business has grown as a result of (i) acquisitions, (ii) increases in overall volume in the salvage car market, (iii) growth in market share, (iv) increases in the amount of revenue generated per sales transaction resulting from increases in the gross selling price and the addition of value-added services for both members and sellers, and (v) growth in non-insurance company sellers. For fiscal 2018, our revenues were \$1.8 billion and our operating income was \$584.3 million.

In fiscal 2016, we opened new facilities and continue to operate in Castledermot, Republic of Ireland; Algete, Spain (Madrid); Dallas, Wilmer and Temple, Texas; Colorado Springs and Denver, Colorado; and Cartersville, Georgia.

In fiscal 2017, we opened new facilities and continue to operate in Bad Fallingbostel, Germany (Hanover); Newbury, U.K.; Betim, Minas Gerais, Brazil; Brighton and Littleton, Colorado (Denver); Sun Valley (Los Angeles) and Wilmington (Long Beach), California; Apopka (Orlando) and Okeechobee, Florida; Casper, Wyoming; Alorton, Illinois (St. Louis); Ogden, Utah (Salt Lake City); acquired the assets of an excavation company, which engages in earthwork, soil stabilization, equipment hauling and erosion control commercial contractor services; and acquired Cycle Express, LLC, which conducts business primarily as National Powersport Auctions ("NPA"), a leading non-salvage auction platform for motorcycles, snowmobiles, watercraft and other powersports vehicles. NPA currently operates facilities in Atlanta, Georgia; Cincinnati, Ohio; Dallas, Texas; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and San Diego, California.

In fiscal 2018, we opened new facilities and continue to operate in Andrews, Texas (Midland); Exeter, Rhode Island; Lumberton, North Carolina; Belfast, Northern Ireland; Nobitz, Germany (Leipzig); and acquired locations in the municipalities of Espoo; Pirkkala; Oulu; and Turku, Finland.

Our revenues consist of sales transaction fees charged to vehicle sellers and vehicle buyers, transportation revenue, purchased vehicle revenues, and other remarketing services. Revenues from sellers are generally generated either on a fixed fee contract basis, where we collect a fixed amount for selling each vehicle regardless of the selling price of the vehicle or under our Percentage Incentive Program, which we refer to as PIP, where our fees are generally based on a predetermined percentage of the vehicle sales price. Under the consignment or fixed fee program, we generally charge an additional fee for title processing and special preparation. We may also charge additional fees for the cost of transporting the vehicle to or from our facility, storage of the vehicle, and other incidental costs. Under the consignment program or fixed fee program, only the fees associated with vehicle processing are recorded in revenue, not the actual sales price (gross proceeds). Sales transaction fees also include fees charged to vehicle buyers for purchasing vehicles, storage, loading, and annual registration. Transportation revenue includes charges to sellers for towing vehicles under certain contracts and towing charges assessed to buyers for delivering vehicles. Purchased vehicle revenue includes the gross sales price of the vehicle, which we have purchased or are otherwise considered to own, and is primarily generated in the U.K.

Operating costs consist primarily of operating personnel (which includes yard management, clerical and yard employees), rent, contract vehicle towing, insurance, fuel, equipment maintenance and repair, and costs of vehicles sold under purchase contracts. Costs associated with general and administrative expenses consist primarily of executive management, accounting, data processing, sales personnel, human resources, professional fees, information technology, and marketing expenses.

### **Industry Overview**

The auction and vehicle remarketing services industry provides a venue for sellers to dispose of or liquidate vehicles to a broad domestic and international buyer pool. Sellers generally auction or sell their vehicles on a consignment basis either for a fixed fee or a percentage of the sales price. On occasion, companies in our industry will purchase vehicles from the largest segment of sellers, insurance companies, and resell the vehicles for their own account. The vehicles are usually purchased at a price based on the vehicles' estimated pre-accident cash value and the extent of damage. Vehicle remarketers typically operate from multiple facilities where vehicles are processed, viewed, stored and delivered to the buyer. While most companies in this

industry remarket vehicles through a physical auction or a hybrid internet and physical auction, we sell virtually all of our vehicles on our internet selling platform VB3, thus eliminating the requirement for buyers to travel to an auction location to participate in the sales process.

Although there are other sellers of vehicles, such as banks, finance companies, charities, fleet operators, dealers and vehicles sourced directly from individual owners, our primary sellers of vehicles are insurance companies.

The primary buyers of vehicles at our auctions are vehicle dismantlers, rebuilders, repair licensees, used vehicle dealers, exporters, and in some states, the general public. Vehicle dismantlers, which we believe are the largest group of vehicle buyers, based on volume of vehicles purchased, either dismantle a salvage vehicle and sell parts individually or sell the entire vehicle to rebuilders, used vehicle dealers, or the general public. Vehicle rebuilders and vehicle repair licensees generally purchase salvage vehicles to repair and resell. Used vehicle dealers generally purchase recovered stolen or slightly damaged vehicles for resale.

The majority of our vehicles are sold on behalf of insurance companies and are usually vehicles involved in an accident or to a lesser extent a natural disaster. Typically, the damaged vehicle is towed to a storage facility or a vehicle repair facility for temporary storage pending insurance company examination. The vehicle is inspected by the insurance company's adjuster, who estimates the costs of repairing the vehicle and gathers information regarding the damaged vehicle's mileage, options and condition in order to estimate its pre-accident value (PAV), otherwise known as actual cash value (ACV). The adjuster determines whether to pay for repairs or to classify the vehicle as a total loss based upon the adjuster's estimate of repair costs, vehicle's salvage value, and the PAV, as well as customer service considerations. If the cost of repair is greater than the PAV less the estimated salvage value, the insurance company generally will classify the vehicle as a total loss. The insurance company will thereafter assign the vehicle to a vehicle auction and remarketing services company, settle with the insured and receive title to the vehicle.

Automobile manufacturers continuously incorporate new standard features, including unibody construction utilizing exotic metals, passenger safety cages with surrounding crumple zones to absorb impacts, plastic and ceramic components, airbags, adaptive headlights, computer systems, advanced cameras, collision warning systems, and navigation systems. We believe that one effect of these additional features is that newer vehicles involved in accidents are more costly to repair and, accordingly, more likely to be deemed a total loss for insurance purposes.

We believe the primary factors that insurance companies consider when selecting an auction and vehicle remarketing services company include:

- the anticipated percentage return on salvage (i.e., gross salvage proceeds, minus vehicle handling and selling expenses, divided by the PAV);
- the services provided by the company and the degree to which such services reduce their administrative costs and expenses;
- the price the company charges for its services;
- geographic coverage;
- the ability to respond to natural disasters;
- the ability to provide analytical data to the seller; and
- in the U.K., in certain situations, the actual amount paid for the vehicle.

In the U.K., some insurance companies tender periodic contracts for the purchase of salvaged vehicles. Under these circumstances, insurance companies will generally award the contract to the company that is willing to pay the highest price for the vehicles.

Generally, upon receipt of the pickup order (the assignment), we arrange for the transport of a vehicle to a facility. As a service to the vehicle seller, we will customarily pay advance charges (reimbursable charges paid on behalf of vehicle sellers) to obtain the vehicle's release from a towing company, vehicle repair facility or impound facility. Advance charges paid on behalf of the vehicle seller are either recovered upon sale of the vehicle, invoiced separately to the seller or deducted from the net proceeds due to the seller.

The salvage vehicle then remains in storage at one of our facilities until ownership documents are transferred from the insured vehicle owner and the title to the vehicle is cleared through the appropriate state's motor vehicle regulatory agency, or DMV. In the U.S., total loss vehicles may be sold in most states only after obtaining a salvage title from the DMV. Upon receipt of the appropriate documentation from the DMV, which is generally received within 45 to 60 days of vehicle pick-up, the vehicle is sold either on behalf of the insurance company or for our own account, depending on the terms of the contract. In the U.K., upon release of interest by the vehicle owner, the insurance company notifies us that the vehicle is available for sale.

Generally, sellers of non-salvage vehicles will arrange to deliver the vehicle to one of our locations. At that time, the vehicle information will be uploaded to our system and made available for buyers to review online. The vehicle is then sold at auction on VB3 typically within seven days. Proceeds are then collected from the member, typically seller fees are subtracted, and the remainder is remitted to the seller.

### **Operating and Growth Strategy**

Our growth strategy is to increase our revenues and profitability by, among other things, (i) acquiring and developing new facilities in key markets including foreign markets; (ii) pursuing national and regional vehicle supply agreements; and (iii) expanding our online auctions and vehicle remarketing service offerings to sellers and members. In addition, to maximize gross sales proceeds and cost efficiencies at each of our acquired facilities, we introduce our (i) pricing structure; (ii) selling processes; (iii) operational procedures; (iv) management information systems; and (v) when appropriate, redeploy existing personnel.

As part of our overall expansion strategy, our objective is to increase our revenues, operating profits, and market share in the vehicle sales industry. To implement our growth strategy, we intend to continue to do the following:

### Acquire and Develop New Vehicle Storage Facilities in Key Markets Including Foreign Markets

Our strategy is to offer integrated services to vehicle sellers on a global, national or regional basis by acquiring or developing facilities in new and existing markets. We integrate our new acquisitions into our global network and capitalize on certain operating efficiencies resulting from, among other things, the reduction of duplicative overhead and the implementation of our operating procedures.

### Pursue Global, National and Regional Vehicle Supply Agreements

Our broad global presence enhances our ability to enter into local, regional, national or global supply agreements with vehicle sellers. We actively seek to establish national and regional supply agreements with insurance companies by promoting our ability to achieve high net returns and broader access to buyers through our national coverage and electronic commerce capabilities. By utilizing our existing insurance company seller relationships, we are able to build new seller relationships and pursue additional supply agreements in existing and new markets.

### Expand Our Service Offerings to Sellers and Members

Over the past several years, we have expanded our available service offerings to vehicle sellers and members. The primary focus of these new service offerings is to maximize returns to our sellers and maximize product value to our members. This includes, for our sellers, real-time access to sales data over the internet, national coverage, the ability to respond on a national scale and, for our members, the implementation of VB3 real-time bidding at substantially all of our facilities, permitting members at any location worldwide to participate in the sales at our yards. We plan to continue to refine and expand our services, including offering software that can assist our sellers in expediting claims and salvage management tools that help sellers integrate their systems with ours.

### **Our Competitive Advantages**

We believe that the following attributes and the services that we offer position us to take advantage of many opportunities in the online vehicle auction and services industry:

### Geographic Coverage and Ability to Respond on a National Scale

Since our inception in 1982, we have expanded from a single facility in Vallejo, California to an integrated network of facilities located in the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Brazil, the Republic of Ireland, Germany, Finland, the U.A.E., Oman, Bahrain, and Spain. In Germany and Spain, we also provide online vehicle remarketing services. We are able to offer integrated services to our vehicle sellers, which allow us to respond to the needs of our sellers and members with maximum efficiency. Our coverage provides our sellers with key advantages, including:

- attractiveness and efficiency to buyers, leading to enhanced selling prices for vehicles;
- a reduction in administrative time and effort;
- a reduction in overall vehicle towing costs;
- convenient local facilities;
- improved access to buyers throughout the world;
- a prompt response in the event of a natural disaster or other catastrophe; and
- consistency in products and services.

### Value-Added Services

We believe that we offer the most comprehensive range of services in our industry, including:

- internet bidding, internet proxy bidding, and virtual sales powered by VB3, which enhance the competitive bidding process;
- mobile applications, which allow members to search, bid, create watch lists, join auctions and bid in numerous languages from anywhere;
- a tailored experience by way of predictive analytics through collaborative filtering, such as the Recommendations Engine feature that suggests similar makes and models based on a member's behavior;
- Buy It Now, which provides an option to our members to purchase specific pre-qualified vehicles immediately at a set price before the live auction process;
- online payment capabilities via our ePay product, credit cards and dealer financing programs;
- email notifications available in numerous languages to potential buyers of vehicles that match desired characteristics;
- sophisticated vehicle processing at storage sites, including digital imaging of each vehicle and the scanning of each vehicle's title and other significant documents such as body shop invoices, all of which are available from us over the internet;
- specialty sales, which allow buyers the opportunity to focus on such select types of vehicles as motorcycles, heavy equipment, boats, recreational vehicles and rental cars;

- interactive online counter-bidding, which allows sellers who have placed a minimum bid or a bid to be approved on a vehicle to directly counter-bid the current high bidder;
- second chance bidding, which allows the second highest bidder the opportunity to purchase the vehicle for the seller's current minimum bid after the high bidder fails to consummate the purchase; and
- Night Cap sales, which provides an additional opportunity for bidding on vehicles that have not previously achieved their minimum bid.

### Proven Ability to Acquire and Integrate Acquisitions

We have a proven track record of successfully acquiring and integrating facilities. Since becoming a public company in 1994, we have completed acquisitions of facilities in the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Brazil, the U.A.E., Germany, Finland, and Spain. As part of our acquisition and integration strategy, we seek to:

- expand our global presence;
- strengthen our networks and access new markets;
- utilize our existing corporate and technology infrastructure over a larger base of operations; and
- introduce our comprehensive services and operational expertise.

We strive to integrate all new facilities, when appropriate, into our existing network without disruption of service to vehicle sellers. We work with new sellers to implement our fee structures and new service programs. We typically retain existing employees at acquired facilities in order to retain knowledge about, and respond to, the local market. We also assign a special integration team to help convert newly acquired facilities to our own management information and proprietary software systems, helping enable us to ensure a smooth and consistent transition to our business operating and sales systems.

### Technology to Enhance and Expand Our Business

We have developed management information and proprietary software systems that allow us to deliver a fully integrated service offering. Our proprietary software programs provide vehicle sellers with online access to data and reports regarding their vehicles being processed at any of our facilities. This technology allows vehicle sellers to monitor each stage of our vehicle sales process, from pick up to sale and settlement by the buyer. Our full range of internet services allows us to expedite each stage of the vehicle sales process and helps to minimize the administrative and processing costs for us, as well as our sellers. We believe that our integrated technology systems generate improved capacity and financial returns for our clients, resulting in high client retention, and allow us to expand our national supply contracts.

### **Our Business Segments**

Our U.S. and International regions are considered two separate operating segments and are disclosed as two reportable segments. The segments represent geographic areas and reflect how the chief operating decision maker allocates resources and measures results, including total revenues, operating income and income before income taxes. The segments continue to share similar business models, services and economic characteristics. Our revenues for the year ended July 31, 2018 were distributed as follows: U.S. 82.6% and International 17.4%. Geographic information as well as comparative segment revenues and related financial information pertaining to the U.S. and International segments for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 are presented in the tables in Note 14 — Segments and Other Geographic Reporting, to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, which are included in Part II, Item 8 of this Form 10-K.

### **Our Service Offerings**

We offer vehicle sellers a full range of vehicle services, which expedite each stage of the vehicle sales process, helping to maximize proceeds and minimize costs. Not all service offerings are available in all markets. Additionally, in some cases a service offering may be applicable only to a particular subsidiary or operating segment. Our service offerings include the following:

### **Online Seller Access**

Through Copart Access, our internet-based service for vehicle sellers, we enable sellers to assign vehicles for sale, check sales calendars, view vehicle images and history, view and reprint body shop invoices and towing receipts and view the historical performance of the vehicles sold at our sales.

### Salvage Estimation Services

We offer Copart ProQuote, a proprietary service that assists sellers in the vehicle claims evaluation process by providing online salvage value estimates, which helps sellers determine whether to repair a particular vehicle or deem it a total loss.

### **Estimating Services**

We offer vehicle sellers in the U.K. estimating services for vehicles taken to our facilities. Estimating services provide our insurance company sellers repair estimates which allow the insurance company to determine if the vehicle is a total loss vehicle. If the vehicle is determined to be a total loss, it is generally assigned to us to sell.

### End-of-Life Vehicle Processing

In the U.K., we are an authorized treatment facility for the disposal of end-of-life vehicles.

### Virtual Insured Exchange (VIX)

We provide a venue for insurance customers through our Virtual Insured Exchange (VIX) product to contingently sell a vehicle through our auction process to assess true market value, equipping our insurance customers with market data in its negotiations with owners who wish to retain their damaged vehicles.

### **Transportation Services**

In the U.S. and Canada, we perform transportation services through a combination of our fleet of over 50 vehicles and predominately using third-party vehicle transport companies. We maintain contracts with third-party vehicle transport companies, which enable us to pick up most of our sellers' vehicles within 24 hours. Our national network and transportation capabilities provide cost and time savings to our vehicle sellers and ensure on-time vehicle pick up and prompt response to catastrophes and natural disasters in the U.S. and Canada. In the U.K., we perform transportation services through a combination of our fleet of over 200 vehicles and third-party vehicle transport companies.

### **Vehicle Inspection Stations**

We offer some of our major insurance company sellers office and yard space to house vehicle inspection stations on-site at our facilities. We have over 90 vehicle inspection stations at our facilities. An on-site vehicle inspection station provides our insurance company sellers with a central location to inspect potential total loss vehicles, which reduces storage charges that otherwise may be incurred at the initial storage or repair facility.

### **On-Demand Reporting**

We provide vehicle sellers with real time data for vehicles that we process for the particular seller. This includes vehicle sellers' gross and net returns on each vehicle, service charges, and other data that enable our vehicle sellers to more easily administer and monitor the vehicle disposition process. In addition, we have developed a database containing over 300 fields of real-time and historical information accessible by our sellers allowing for their generation of custom ad hoc reports and customer specific analysis.

### **DMV Processing**

We have extensive expertise in DMV document and title processing for salvage vehicles. We have developed a computer system which provides a direct link to the DMV computer systems of multiple states, allowing us to expedite the processing of vehicle title paperwork.

### Flexible Vehicle Processing Programs

At the election of the seller, we sell vehicles pursuant to our Percentage Incentive Program, which we refer to as PIP, Consignment Program, or Purchase Program.

Percentage Incentive Program. Our Percentage Incentive Program is an innovative processing program designed to broadly serve the needs of vehicle sellers. Under PIP, we agree to sell all of the vehicles of a seller in a specified market, usually for a predetermined percentage of the vehicle sales price. Because our revenues under PIP are directly linked to the vehicle's sale price, we have an incentive to actively merchandise those vehicles to maximize the net return. We provide the vehicle seller, at our expense, with transport of the vehicle to our nearest facility, as well as DMV document and title processing. In addition, we provide merchandising services such as covering or taping openings to protect vehicle interiors from weather, washing vehicle exteriors, vacuuming vehicle interiors, cleaning and polishing dashboards and tires, making keys for drivable vehicles, and identifying drivable vehicles. We believe our merchandising efforts increase the sales prices of the vehicles, thereby increasing the return on salvage vehicles to both vehicle sellers and us.

Consignment Program. Under our Consignment Program, we sell vehicles for a fixed consignment fee. Although sometimes included in the consignment fee, we may also charge additional fees for the cost of transporting the vehicle to our facility, storage of the vehicle, and other incidental costs.

*Purchase Program.* Under the Purchase Program, we purchase vehicles from a vehicle seller at a formula price, based on a percentage of the vehicles' estimated PAV, otherwise known as ACV, and sell the vehicles for our own account. Currently, the purchase program is offered primarily in the U.K.

### Buy It Now, Make An Offer

We offer an option to our members to purchase specific pre-qualified vehicles immediately at a set price before the live auction process. This enables us to provide a fast, easy, transparent and comprehensive buying option on these pre-qualified vehicles. Additionally, members have the option of submitting an offer amount on certain selected vehicles. If an offer is accepted, the member can purchase the vehicle before the live auction process.

### Member Network

We maintain a database of thousands of registered members in the vehicle dismantling and recycling, rebuilding, used vehicle dealer and export industries, as well as members that are a part of the general public, where applicable. Our database includes each member's vehicle preference and purchasing history. This data enables us to notify prospective buyers throughout the world via email of vehicles available for bidding that match their vehicle preferences. Listings of vehicles to be sold on a particular day and location are also made available on the internet.

### Sales Process

We offer a flexible and unique sales process designed to maximize the sale prices of the vehicles utilizing VB3. VB3 opens our sales process to members and to individuals who have not registered to view auctions via our website and our mobile application anywhere in the world where internet access is available. The VB3 technology and model employs a two-step bidding process. The first step is an open preliminary bidding feature that allows a member to enter bids either at a bidding station at the storage facility during the preview days, or over the internet. To improve the effectiveness of bidding, the VB3 system lets a member see the current high bid on the vehicle they want to purchase. The preliminary bidding step is an open bid format similar to eBay<sup>®</sup>. Members enter the maximum price they are willing to pay for a vehicle and VB3's BID4U feature will incrementally bid the vehicle on their behalf during all steps of the auction. Preliminary bidding ends at a specified time prior to the start of a second bidding step, an internet-only virtual auction. This second step allows bidders the opportunity to bid against each other and the highest preliminary bidder. The bidders enter bids via the internet in real time, and then BID4U submits bids for the highest preliminary bidder, up to their maximum bid. When bidding stops, a countdown is initiated. If no bids are received during the countdown or any extensions, the vehicle sells to the highest bidder.

### **Copart Dealer Services**

We provide franchise and independent dealers with a convenient method to sell their trade-ins through any of our facilities. We have a dedicated group of employees in the U.S. that target these dealers and work with them throughout the sales process.

### CashForCars.com

We provide the general public with a fast and convenient method to sell their vehicles. Anyone can go to CashForCars.com or call 1-888-961-5389 and arrange to obtain a valid offer to purchase their vehicle. Upon acceptance of our offer to purchase their vehicle, we give them a check for their vehicle and then sell the vehicle on our own behalf.

### National Powersport Auctions

In the U.S., we provide non-salvage powersport vehicle remarketing services through live and online auction platforms to dealers, financial institutions and OEMs through our subsidiary National Powersport Auctions, or NPA. NPA, also offers comprehensive data services including the NPA Value Guide<sup>TM</sup>, which we believe is the industry's most accurate wholesale valuation tool. NPA has facilities in San Diego, California; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Dallas, Texas; Cincinnati, Ohio; and Atlanta, Georgia.

### U-Pull-It

In the U.K., we have two facilities from which the public can purchase parts from salvaged and end-of-life vehicles. In general, the buyer is responsible for detaching the parts from the vehicle and any associated hauling or transportation of the parts after detachment. After the valuable parts have been removed by the buyer, the remaining parts and car body are sold for their scrap value.

### Sales

We process vehicles from hundreds of different vehicle sellers. No single customer accounted for more than 10% of our revenues for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016. We obtained 78% of the total number of vehicles processed during fiscal 2018 from insurance company sellers. We obtained 84% and 83% of the total number of vehicles processed during fiscal 2017 and 2016, respectively, from insurance company sellers.

We typically contract with the regional or branch office of an insurance company or other vehicle sellers. The agreements are customized to each vehicle seller's particular needs and often provide for the disposition of different types of salvage vehicles by differing methods. Our arrangements generally provide that we will sell total loss and recovered stolen vehicles generated by the vehicle seller in a designated geographic area.

We market our services to vehicle sellers through an in-house sales force that utilizes a variety of sales techniques, including targeted mailing of our sales literature, telemarketing, follow-up personal sales calls, internet search engines, employee referrals, tow shop referrals, participation in trade shows and vehicle and insurance industry conventions. We market our services to franchise and independent dealerships, as well as the general public. We may, when appropriate, provide vehicle sellers with detailed analysis of the net return on vehicles and a proposal setting forth ways in which we believe that we can improve net returns on vehicles and reduce administrative costs and expenses.

During the last three years, a majority of our revenue was generated within the U.S. and a majority of our long-lived assets are located within the U.S. Please see *Note 14* — *Segments and Other Geographic Reporting* in our Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding the geographic location of our sales and our long-lived assets.

### **Members**

We maintain a database of thousands of registered members in the vehicle dismantling and recycling, rebuilding, used vehicle dealer and export industries, as well as members that are a part of the general public, where applicable. We believe that we have established a broad international and domestic buyer base by providing members with a variety of programs and services. To become a registered member, a person or business must complete a basic application either online or through our mobile applications. Before any member may purchase a vehicle, they must provide copies of current government issued photo identification. Additionally, business members must provide current business information, including copies of licenses, which may include vehicle dismantler, dealer, resale, repair or export licenses, and as needed, completed sales tax exemption certificates. Registration entitles a member to transact business at any of our sales, subject to local licensing and permitting requirements. In certain venues, we may sell to the general public either directly or members may purchase a vehicle offered at Copart through a registered broker who meets local licensing and permitting requirements. A member may also bring guests to a facility for a fee to preview vehicles for sale. Strict admission procedures are intended to prevent frivolous bids that will not result in a completed sale. We market to members online and via email notifications, sales notices, telemarketing, direct mail, in-location marketing, search engines, social media, radio, television, trade publications and participation in trade show events.

### Competition

We face significant competition from other remarketers of both salvage and non-salvage vehicles. We believe our principal competitors include vehicle auction and sales companies and vehicle dismantlers. These national, regional and local competitors may have established relationships with vehicle sellers and buyers and may have financial resources that are greater than ours. The largest national or regional vehicle auctioneers in the U.S. include KAR Auction Services, Inc. (including subsidiaries ADESA, Inc. and Insurance Auto Auctions, Inc.); Auction Broadcasting Company, LLC; and Manheim, Inc. The largest national dismantler is LKQ Corporation (LKQ). LKQ, in addition to trade groups of dismantlers such as the American Recycling Association and the United Recyclers Group, LLC, may purchase salvage vehicles directly from insurance companies, thereby bypassing vehicle remarketing companies entirely. In our International markets, our principal competitors are vehicle auction and sales companies, vehicle dismantlers and privately held independent remarketers.

### **Management Information Systems**

Our primary yard management information system consists of an IBM AS/400 mainframe computer system which runs our proprietary software developed to process salvage sales vehicles throughout the auction process. This system is integrated with the internet to enable buyers to view salvage vehicles and bid on them. It can also be integrated with the seller's system and enables the sellers to monitor their vehicles and analyze the progression of vehicles through the auction process. Our auction-style service product, VB3, is served by an array of identical high-density, high-performance servers. Each individual sale is configured to run on an available server in the array and can be rapidly provisioned to any other available server in the array as required.

We have invested in production data centers that are designed to continuously operate to support the business, even in the event of an emergency. The data centers' electrical and mechanical systems are continually monitored. The data centers are located in areas generally considered to be free of frequent weather-related disasters and earthquakes. We operate fully redundant infrastructure to ensure ongoing operations, even in the event of physical damage to one of our data centers. We have developed a proprietary system to enable us to address our international expansion needs. This proprietary system is designed to provide multi-language and multi-currency capabilities. We began using our new internally developed proprietary system with our expansion into Spain in fiscal 2016 and Germany in fiscal 2017. We intend to continue development of this system and implement it in certain additional international locations in the future.

### **Employees**

As of July 31, 2018, we had 6,026 full-time employees, of whom 1,023 were engaged in general and administrative functions and 5,003 were engaged in yard operations. We are not currently subject to any collective bargaining agreements and believe our relationships with our employees are good. Employees per geographic region are as follows:

United States.	4,431
International	1,595
Total employees	6,026

### **Environmental Matters**

Our operations are subject to federal, national, international, provincial, state and local laws and regulations regarding the protection of the environment in the countries which we have storage facilities. In the salvage vehicle remarketing industry, large numbers of wrecked vehicles are stored at storage facilities and during that time, spills of fuel, motor oil and other fluids may occur, resulting in soil, surface water or groundwater contamination. In addition, certain of our facilities generate and/or store petroleum products and other hazardous materials, including waste solvents and used oil. In the U.K., we provide vehicle de-pollution and crushing services for end-of-life program vehicles. We could incur substantial expenditures for preventative, investigative or remedial action and could be exposed to liability arising from our operations, contamination by previous users of certain of our acquired facilities or facilities which we may acquire in the future, or the disposal of our waste at off-site locations. Environmental laws and regulations could become more stringent over time and there can be no assurance that we or our operations will not be subject to significant costs in the future. Although we have obtained indemnification for pre-existing environmental liabilities from many of the persons and entities from whom we have acquired facilities, there can be no assurance that such indemnifications will be adequate. Any such expenditures or liabilities could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

### **Governmental Regulations**

Our operations are subject to regulation, supervision and licensing under various federal, national, international, provincial, state and local statutes, ordinances and regulations. The acquisition and sale of damaged and recovered stolen vehicles is regulated by various state, provincial and foreign motor vehicle departments. In addition to the regulation of sales and acquisitions of vehicles, we are also subject to various local zoning requirements with regard to the location of our storage facilities. These zoning requirements vary from location to location. At various times, we may be involved in disputes with local governmental officials regarding the development and/or operation of our business facilities. We believe that we are in compliance, in all material respects, with applicable regulatory requirements. We may be subject to similar types of regulations by federal, national, international, provincial, state and local governmental agencies in new markets.

### **Intellectual Property and Proprietary Rights**

In 2008, we obtained a patent issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office that covers certain aspects of our virtual bidding auction platform. Generally, patents issued in the U.S. are effective for 20 years from the earliest asserted filing date of the patent application. The duration of foreign patents varies in accordance with the provisions of applicable local law.

We also rely on a combination of trade secret, copyright and trademark laws, as well as contractual agreements to safeguard our proprietary rights in technology and products. In seeking to limit access to sensitive information to the greatest practical extent, we routinely enter into confidentiality and assignment of invention agreements with certain of our employees and consultants and nondisclosure agreements with our key customers and vendors.

### Seasonality

Historically, our consolidated results of operations have been subject to quarterly variations based on a variety of factors, of which the primary influence is the seasonal change in weather patterns. During the winter months we tend to have higher demand for our services because there are more weather-related accidents.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully the risks and uncertainties described below before making an investment decision. Our business could be harmed if any of these risks, as well as other risks not currently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial, materialize. The trading price of our common stock could decline due to the occurrence of any of these risks, and you may lose all or part of your investment. In assessing the risks described below, you should also refer to the other information contained in this Form 10-K, including our consolidated financial statements and the related notes and schedules, and other filings with the SEC.

We depend on a limited number of major vehicle sellers for a substantial portion of our revenues. The loss of one or more of these major sellers could adversely affect our consolidated results of operations and financial position, and an inability to increase our sources of vehicle supply could adversely affect our growth rates.

No single customer accounted for more than 10% of our consolidated revenue for fiscal 2018. Historically, a limited number of vehicle sellers have collectively accounted for a substantial portion of our revenues. Vehicle sellers have terminated agreements with us in the past in particular markets, which has affected revenues in those markets. There can be no assurance that our existing agreements will not be canceled. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that we will be able to enter into future agreements with vehicle sellers or that we will be able to retain our existing supply of salvage vehicles. A reduction in vehicles from a significant vehicle seller or any material changes in the terms of an arrangement with a significant vehicle seller could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position. In addition, a failure to increase our sources of vehicle supply could adversely affect our earnings and revenue growth rates.

Our expansion into markets outside the U.S., including expansions in Europe, Brazil, and the Middle East expose us to risks arising from operating in international markets. Any failure to successfully integrate businesses acquired or operational capabilities established outside the U.S. could have an adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

We first expanded our operations outside the U.S. in fiscal 2003 with an acquisition in Canada. Subsequently, in fiscal 2008 we made a significant acquisition in the U.K., followed by acquisitions in the U.A.E., Brazil, Germany, and Spain in fiscal 2013, expansions into Bahrain and Oman in fiscal 2015, expansion into the Republic of Ireland and India in fiscal 2016, and an acquisition in Finland in fiscal 2018. In addition, we continue to evaluate acquisitions and other opportunities outside of the U.S. Acquisitions or other strategies to expand our operations outside of the U.S. pose substantial risks and uncertainties that could have an adverse effect on our future operating results. In particular, we may not be successful in realizing anticipated synergies from these acquisitions, or we may experience unanticipated costs or expenses integrating the acquired operations into our existing business. We have and may continue to incur substantial expenses establishing new yards and operations, acquiring buyers and sellers, and implementing shared services capabilities in international markets. Among other things, we plan to ultimately deploy our proprietary auction technologies at all of our foreign operations and we cannot predict whether this deployment will be successful or will result in increases in the revenues or operating efficiencies of any acquired companies relative to their historic operating performance. Integration of our respective operations, including information technology and financial and administrative functions, may not proceed as anticipated and could result in unanticipated costs or expenses such as capital expenditures that could have an adverse effect on our future operating results. We cannot provide any assurance that we will achieve our business and financial objectives in connection with these acquisitions or our strategic decision to expand our operations internationally. For example, although we continue to operate a technology and operations center in India for administrative support, we recently decided to suspend our salvage operations in India, which did not have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position, until the Indian market develops in a manner better suited to our business model.

As we continue to expand our business internationally, we will need to develop policies and procedures to manage our business on a global scale. Operationally, acquired businesses typically depend on key seller relationships, and our failure to maintain those relationships would have an adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and could have an adverse effect on our future operating results. Moreover, success in opening and operating facilities in markets can be dependent upon establishing new relationships with buyers and sellers, and our failure to establish those relationships could have an adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and future operating results.

In addition, we anticipate our international operations will continue to subject us to a variety of risks associated with operating on an international basis, including:

- the difficulty of managing and staffing foreign offices;
- the increased travel, infrastructure and legal compliance costs associated with multiple international locations;
- the need to localize our product offerings, particularly the need to implement our online auction platform in foreign countries;
- the need to comply with complex foreign and U.S. laws and regulations that apply to our international operations;
- tariffs and trade barriers and other regulatory or contractual limitations on our ability to operate in certain foreign markets;
- exposure to foreign currency exchange rate risk, which may have an adverse impact on our revenues and revenue growth rates;
- adapting to different business cultures and market structures, particularly where we seek to implement our auction
  model in markets where insurers have historically not played a substantial role in the disposition of salvage
  vehicles; and
- repatriation of funds currently held in foreign jurisdictions to the U.S. may result in higher effective tax rates.

As we continue to expand our business globally, our success will depend, in large part, on our ability to anticipate and effectively manage these and other risks associated with our international operations. Our failure to manage any of these risks successfully could harm our international operations and have an adverse effect on our operating results.

On June 23, 2016, the U.K. held a referendum in which voters approved an exit from the European Union, commonly referred to as "Brexit." In February 2017, the British Parliament voted in favor of allowing the British government to begin negotiating the terms of the U.K.'s withdrawal from the European Union and discussions with the European Union began in March 2017. The ultimate effects of Brexit on us are difficult to predict, but adverse consequences concerning Brexit or the European Union could include deterioration in global economic conditions, instability in global financial markets, political uncertainty, volatility in currency exchange rates, or adverse changes in the cross-border agreements currently in place, any of which could have an adverse impact on our financial results in the future. The ultimate effects of Brexit on us will also depend on the terms of agreements, if any, that the U.K. and the European Union make to retain access to each other's respective markets either during a transitional period or more permanently.

In addition, certain acquisitions in the U.K. may be reviewed by the Competition and Markets Authority (U.K. Regulator). If an inquiry is made by the U.K. Regulator, we may be required to demonstrate that our acquisitions will not result, or be expected to result, in a substantial lessening of competition in the U.K. market. Although we believe that there will not be a substantial lessening of competition in the U.K. market, based on our analysis of the relevant U.K. markets, there can be no assurance that the U.K. Regulator will agree with us if it decides to make an inquiry. If the U.K. Regulator determines that by our acquisitions of certain assets, there is or likely will be a substantial lessening of competition in the U.K. market, we could be required to divest some portion of our U.K. assets. In the event of a divestiture order by the U.K. Regulator, the assets disposed may be sold for substantially less than their carrying value. Accordingly, any divestiture could have a material adverse effect on our operating results in the period of the divestiture.

Our operations and acquisitions in certain foreign areas expose us to political, regulatory, economic, and reputational risks.

Although we have implemented policies, procedures and training designed to ensure compliance with anti-bribery laws, trade controls and economic sanctions, and similar regulations, our employees or agents may take actions in violation of our policies. We may incur costs or other penalties in the event that any such violations occur, which could have an adverse effect on our business and reputation.

In some cases, the enforcement practices of governmental regulators in certain foreign areas and the procedural and substantive rights and remedies available to us may vary significantly from those in the United States, which could have an adverse effect on our business.

Although we face risks associated with international expansion in each of the non-U.S. markets where we operate, our current focus on the German market heightens the risks we face relating to our expansion plans in Germany.

In addition, some of our recent acquisitions have required us to integrate non-U.S. companies which had not, until our acquisition, been subject to U.S. law. In many countries outside of the United States, particularly in those with developing economies, it may be common for persons to engage in business practices prohibited by laws and regulations applicable to us, such as the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), U.K. Bribery Act, Brazil Clean Companies Act, India's Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 or similar local anti-bribery laws. These laws generally prohibit companies and their employees or agents from making improper payments for the purpose of obtaining or retaining business. Failure by us and our subsidiaries to comply with these laws could subject us to civil and criminal penalties that could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated operating results and financial position.

We face risks associated with the implementation of our salvage auction model in markets that may not operate on the same terms as the U.S. market. For example, certain markets operate on a principal rather than agent basis, which may have an adverse impact on our gross margin percentages and expose us to inventory risks that we do not experience in the U.S.

Some of our target markets outside the U.S. operate in a manner substantially different than our historic market in the U.S. For example, new markets may operate either wholly or partially on the principal model, in which the vehicle is purchased then resold for our own account, rather than the agency model employed in the U.S., in which we generally act as a sales agent for the legal owner of vehicles. Further, operating on a principal basis exposes us to inventory risks, including losses from theft, damage, and obsolescence. In addition, our business in the U.S., Canada, and the U.K. has been established and grown based largely on our ability to build relationships with insurance carriers. In other markets, including Germany, insurers have traditionally been less involved in the disposition of salvage vehicles. As we expand into markets outside the U.S., Canada, and the U.K., including Germany in particular, we cannot predict whether markets will readily adapt to our strategy of online auctions of automobiles sourced principally through vehicle insurers. Any failure of new markets to adopt our business model could adversely affect our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

Acquisitions typically will increase our sales and profitability although, given the typical size of our acquisitions to date, most acquisitions will not individually have a material impact on our consolidated results of operations and financial position. We may not always be able to introduce our processes and selling platform to acquired companies due to different operating models in international jurisdictions or other facts. As a result, the associated benefits of acquisitions may be delayed for years in some international situations. During this period, the acquisitions may operate at a loss and certain acquisitions, while profitable, may operate at a margin percentage that is below our overall operating margin percentage and, accordingly, have an adverse impact on our consolidated results of operations and financial position. Hence, the conversion periods vary from weeks to years and cannot be predicted.

We have developed a new proprietary enterprise operating system, and we may experience difficulties operating our business as we continue to design and develop this system.

We have developed a new proprietary enterprise operating system to address our international expansion needs. The ongoing design, development, and implementation of our enterprise operating systems carry certain risks, including the risk of significant design or deployment errors causing disruptions, delays or deficiencies, which may make our website and services unavailable. This type of interruption could prevent us from processing vehicles for our sellers and may prevent us from selling vehicles through our internet bidding platform, VB3, which would adversely affect our consolidated results of operations and financial position. In addition, the transition to our new internally developed proprietary system will require us to commit substantial financial, operational and technical resources before the volume of business increases, without assurance that the volume of business will increase. We began using our new internally developed proprietary system with our expansion into Spain in fiscal 2016 and Germany in fiscal 2017.

We may also implement additional or enhanced information systems in the future to accommodate our growth and to provide additional capabilities and functionality. The implementation of new systems and enhancements is frequently disruptive to the underlying business of an enterprise and can be time-consuming and expensive, increase management responsibilities and divert management attention. Any disruptions relating to our system enhancements or any problems with the implementation, particularly any disruptions impacting our operations or our ability to accurately report our financial performance on a timely basis during the implementation period, could materially and adversely affect our business. Even if we do not encounter these material and adverse effects, the implementation of these enhancements may be much more costly than we anticipated. If we are unable to successfully implement the information systems enhancements as planned, our financial position, results of operations and cash flows could be negatively impacted.

Our success depends on maintaining the integrity of our systems and infrastructure. As our operations continue to grow in both size and scope, domestically and internationally, we must continue to provide reliable, real-time access to our systems by our customers through improving and upgrading our systems and infrastructure for enhanced products, services, features and functionality. Any failure to maintain the integrity of our systems and infrastructure may result in loss of customers due to among other things, slow delivery times, unreliable service levels or insufficient capacity, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, consolidated financial position and results of operations.

The impairment of internally developed capitalized software costs could adversely affect our consolidated results of operations and financial condition.

We capitalize certain costs associated with the development of new software products, new software for internal use and major software enhancements to existing software. These costs are amortized over the estimated useful life of the software beginning with its introduction or roll-out. If, at any time, it is determined that capitalized software provides a reduced economic benefit, the unamortized portion of the capitalized development costs will be expensed, in part or in full, as an impairment, which may have a material impact on our consolidated results of operations and financial position. For example, during fiscal 2017, we recognized a \$19.4 million charge primarily related to fully impairing costs previously capitalized in connection with the development of business operating software.

Disruptions to our information technology systems, including failure to prevent outages, maintain security, prevent unauthorized access to our information technology systems and other confidential information, could disrupt our business and materially and adversely affect our reputation, consolidated results of operations and financial condition.

Information availability and security risks for online commerce companies have significantly increased in recent years because of, in addition to other factors, the proliferation of new technologies, the use of the internet and telecommunications technologies to conduct financial transactions, and the increased sophistication and activities of organized crime, hackers, terrorists, and other external parties. These threats may derive from fraud or malice on the part of third parties or current or former employees. In addition, human error or accidental technological failure could make us vulnerable to information technology system disruptions and/or cyber-attacks, including the introduction of malicious computer viruses or code into our system, phishing attacks, or other information technology data security incidents.

Our operations rely on the secure processing, transmission and storage of confidential, proprietary and other information in our computer systems and networks. Our customers and other parties in the payments value chain rely on our digital technologies, computer and email systems, software and networks to conduct their operations. In addition, to access our products and services, our customers increasingly use personal smartphones, tablet PCs and other mobile devices that may be beyond our control.

Information technology system disruptions, cyber-attacks or other cyber security incidents could materially and adversely affect our reputation, operating results, or financial condition by, among other things, making our auction platform inoperable for a period of time, damaging our reputation with buyers, sellers, and insurance companies as a result of the unauthorized disclosure of confidential information (including account data information), or resulting in governmental investigations, litigation, liability, fines, or penalties against us. If such attacks are not detected immediately, their effect could be compounded. While we maintain insurance coverage that may, subject to policy terms and conditions, cover certain aspects of these cyber risks, our insurance coverage may be insufficient to cover all losses and would not remedy damage to our reputation.

We have in the past identified attempts by unauthorized third parties to access our systems and disrupt our online auctions. These attempts have caused minor service interruptions, which were promptly addressed and resolved, and our online service was restored to normal business. For example, in April 2015, we identified that unauthorized third parties had gained access to data provided to us by our members that is considered to be personal information in certain jurisdictions. We immediately investigated, including the engagement of an external expert security firm, and made the required notifications to members whose information may have been accessed and to regulatory agencies.

We are constantly evaluating and implementing new technologies and processes to manage risks relating to cyber-attacks and system and network disruptions, including but not limited to usage errors by our employees, power outages and catastrophic events such as fires, tornadoes, floods, hurricanes and earthquakes. We have further enhanced our security protocols based on the investigation we conducted in response to the security incident. Nevertheless, we cannot provide assurances that our efforts to address prior data security incidents and mitigate against the risk of future data security incidents or system failures will be successful. The techniques used by criminals to obtain unauthorized access to sensitive data change frequently and are often not recognized immediately. We may be unable to anticipate these techniques or implement adequate preventative measures and believe that cyber-attacks and threats against us have occurred in the past and are likely to continue in the future. If our systems are compromised again in the future, become inoperable for extended periods of time, or cease to function properly, we may have to make a significant investment to fix or replace them, and our ability to provide many of our electronic and online solutions to our customers may be impaired. In addition, as cyber-threats continue to evolve, we may be required to expend significant additional resources to continue to modify or enhance our protective measures or to investigate and remediate any information security vulnerabilities. Any of the risks described above could materially and adversely affect our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

### Our business is exposed to risks associated with online commerce security and credit card fraud.

Consumer concerns over the security of transactions conducted on the internet or the privacy of users may inhibit the growth of the internet and online commerce. To securely transmit confidential information such as customer credit card numbers, we rely on encryption and authentication technology. Unanticipated events or developments could result in a compromise or breach of the systems we use to protect customer transaction data. Furthermore, our servers may also be vulnerable to viruses transmitted via the internet and other points of access. While we proactively check for intrusions into our infrastructure, a new or undetected virus could cause a service disruption.

We maintain an information security program and our processing systems incorporate multiple levels of protection in order to address or otherwise mitigate these risks. Despite these mitigation efforts, there can be no assurance that we will be immune to these risks and not suffer losses in the future. Under current credit card practices, we may be held liable for fraudulent credit card transactions and other payment disputes with customers. As such, we have implemented certain anti-fraud measures, including credit card verification procedures. However, a failure to adequately prevent fraudulent credit card transactions could adversely affect our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Our security measures may also be breached due to employee error, malfeasance, insufficiency, or defective design. Additionally, outside parties may attempt to fraudulently induce employees, users, or customers to disclose sensitive information in order to gain access to our data or our users' or customers' data. Any such breach or unauthorized access could result in significant legal and financial exposure, damage to our reputation, and a loss of confidence in the security of our products and services that could have an adverse effect on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

# Our business is subject to a variety of domestic and international laws and other obligations regarding privacy and data protection.

We are subject to federal, state and international laws, directives, and regulations relating to the collection, use, retention, disclosure, security and transfer of personal data. These laws, directives, and regulations, and their interpretation and enforcement continue to evolve and may be inconsistent from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. Recent regulatory changes in Europe have created compliance uncertainty regarding certain transfers of personal data from Europe to the United States. For example, the General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR"), which went into effect in the European Union ("EU") on May 25, 2018, applies to all of our activities conducted from an establishment in the EU and may also apply to related products and services that we offer to EU users. Complying with the GDPR and similar emerging and changing privacy and data protection requirements may cause us to incur substantial costs or require us to change our business practices. Noncompliance with our legal obligations relating to privacy and data protection could result in penalties, legal proceedings by governmental entities or others, and significant legal and financial exposure and could affect our ability to retain and attract customers. Any of the risks described above could adversely affect our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

# Implementation of our online auction model in new markets may not result in the same synergies and benefits that we achieved when we implemented the model in the U.S., Canada, and the U.K.

We believe that the implementation of our proprietary auction technologies across our operations over the last decade had a favorable impact on our results of operations by increasing the size and geographic scope of our buyer base, increasing the average selling price for vehicles sold through our sales, and lowering expenses associated with vehicle sales.

We implemented our online system across all of our U.S., Canada, and U.K. salvage yards beginning in fiscal 2004 and 2008, respectively, and experienced increases in revenues and average selling prices, as well as improved operating efficiencies in those markets. In considering new markets, we consider the potential synergies from the implementation of our model based in large part on our experience in the U.S., Canada, and the U.K. However, we cannot predict whether these synergies will also be realized in new markets.

# Failure to have sufficient capacity to accept additional cars at one or more of our storage facilities could adversely affect our relationships with insurance companies or other sellers of vehicles.

Capacity at our storage facilities varies from period to period and from region to region. For example, following adverse weather conditions in a particular area, our yards in that area may fill and limit our ability to accept additional salvage vehicles while we process existing inventories. For example, Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Sandy, and Harvey had, in certain quarters, an adverse effect on our operating results, in part because of yard capacity constraints in the impacted areas of the United States. We regularly evaluate our capacity in all our markets and where appropriate, seek to increase capacity through the acquisition of additional land and yards. We may not be able to reach agreements to purchase independent storage facilities in markets where we have limited excess capacity, and zoning restrictions or difficulties obtaining use permits may limit our ability to expand our capacity through acquisitions of new land. Failure to have sufficient capacity at one or more of our yards could adversely affect our relationships with insurance companies or other sellers of vehicles, which could have an adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

Because the growth of our business has been due in large part to acquisitions and development of new facilities, the rate of growth of our business and revenues may decline if we are not able to successfully complete acquisitions and develop new facilities.

We seek to increase our sales and profitability through the acquisition of additional facilities and the development of new facilities. For example, in fiscal 2016, we opened new operational facilities in Castledermot, Republic of Ireland; Algete, Spain (Madrid); and six new operational facilities in the U.S. In fiscal 2017, we opened a new operational facility in Bad Fallingbostel, Germany (Hanover), a new operational facility in Betim, Minas Gerais, Brazil, nine new operational facilities in the U.S. and acquired Cycle Express, LLC, which conducts business primarily as National Powersport Auctions (NPA), a leading non-salvage auction platform for motorcycles, snowmobiles, watercraft and other powersports vehicles. NPA currently operates facilities in Atlanta, Georgia; Cincinnati, Ohio; Dallas, Texas; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and San Diego, California. In fiscal 2018, we opened new operational facilities in Andrews, Texas (Midland), Exeter, Rhode Island, and Lumberton, North Carolina, a new operational facility in Belfast, Northern Ireland, a new operational facility in Nobitz, Germany (Leipzig), and acquired locations in the municipalities of Espoo; Pirkkala; Oulu; and Turku, Finland. Acquisitions are difficult to identify and complete for a number of reasons, including competition among prospective buyers, the availability of affordable financing in the capital markets and the need to satisfy applicable closing conditions and obtain antitrust and other regulatory approvals on acceptable terms. There can be no assurance that we will be able to:

- continue to acquire additional facilities on favorable terms;
- expand existing facilities in no-growth regulatory environments;
- obtain or retain buyers, sellers, and sales volumes in new markets or facilities;
- increase revenues and profitability at acquired and new facilities;
- maintain the historical revenue and earnings growth rates we have been able to obtain through facility openings and strategic acquisitions;
- create new vehicle storage facilities that meet our current revenue and profitability requirements; or
- obtain necessary regulatory approvals under applicable antitrust and competition laws.

In addition, certain of the acquisition agreements by which we have acquired companies require the former owners to indemnify us against certain liabilities related to the operation of the company before we acquired it. In most of these agreements, however, the liability of the former owners is limited and certain former owners may be unable to meet their indemnification responsibilities. We cannot assure that these indemnification provisions will protect us fully or at all, and as a result we may face unexpected liabilities that adversely affect our financial statements. Any failure to continue to successfully identify and complete acquisitions and develop new facilities could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

As we continue to expand our operations, our failure to manage growth could harm our business and adversely affect our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

Our ability to manage growth depends not only on our ability to successfully integrate new facilities, but also on our ability to:

- hire, train and manage additional qualified personnel;
- establish new relationships or expand existing relationships with vehicle sellers;
- identify and acquire or lease suitable premises on competitive terms;
- secure adequate capital; and
- maintain the supply of vehicles from vehicle sellers.

Our inability to control or manage these growth factors effectively could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

### Our annual and quarterly performance may fluctuate, causing the price of our stock to decline.

Our revenues and operating results have fluctuated in the past and can be expected to continue to fluctuate in the future on a quarterly and annual basis as a result of a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control. Factors that may affect our operating results include, but are not limited to, the following:

- fluctuations in the market value of salvage and used vehicles;
- fluctuations in commodity prices, particularly the per ton price of crushed car bodies;
- the impact of foreign exchange gain and loss as a result of international operations;
- our ability to successfully integrate our newly acquired operations in international markets and any additional markets we may enter;
- the availability of salvage vehicles or other vehicles we sell;
- variations in vehicle accident rates;
- member participation in the internet bidding process;
- · delays or changes in state title processing;
- changes in international, state or federal laws, regulations, or treaties affecting the vehicles we sell;
- changes in the application, interpretation, and enforcement of existing laws, regulations or treaties;
- trade disputes and other political, diplomatic, legal, or regulatory developments;
- inconsistent application or enforcement of laws or regulations by regulators, governmental or quasi-governmental entities, or law enforcement or quasi-law enforcement agencies, as compared to our competitors;
- changes in laws affecting who may purchase the vehicles we sell;
- our ability to integrate and manage our acquisitions successfully;
- the timing and size of our new facility openings;
- the announcement of new vehicle supply agreements by us or our competitors;
- the severity of weather and seasonality of weather patterns;
- the amount and timing of operating costs and capital expenditures relating to the maintenance and expansion of our business, operations and infrastructure;
- the availability and cost of general business insurance;
- labor costs and collective bargaining;
- changes in the current levels of out of state and foreign demand for salvage vehicles;
- the introduction of a similar internet product by a competitor; and
- the ability to obtain or maintain necessary permits to operate.

Due to the foregoing factors, our operating results in one or more future periods can be expected to fluctuate. As a result, we believe that period-to-period comparisons of our results of operations are not necessarily meaningful and should not be relied upon as any indication of future performance. In the event such fluctuations result in our financial performance being below the expectations of public market analysts and investors, the price of our common stock could decline substantially.

Our internet-based sales model has increased the relative importance of intellectual property assets to our business, and any inability to protect those rights could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, or results of operations.

Our intellectual property rights include patents relating to our auction technologies, as well as trademarks, trade secrets, copyrights and other intellectual property rights. In addition, we may enter into agreements with third parties regarding the license or other use of our intellectual property. Effective intellectual property protection may not be available in every country in which our products and services are distributed, deployed, or made available. We seek to maintain certain intellectual property rights as trade secrets. The secrecy could be compromised by third parties, or intentionally or accidentally by our employees, which would cause us to lose the competitive advantage resulting from those trade secrets. Any significant impairment of our intellectual property rights, or any inability to protect our intellectual property rights, could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

We also may not be able to acquire or maintain appropriate domain names in all countries in which we do business. Furthermore, regulations governing domain names may not protect our trademarks and similar proprietary rights. We may be unable to prevent third parties from acquiring domain names that are similar to, infringe upon, or diminish the value of our trademarks and other proprietary rights.

We have in the past been and may in the future be subject to intellectual property rights claims, which are costly to defend, could require us to pay damages, and could limit our ability to use certain technologies in the future.

Litigation based on allegations of infringement or other violations of intellectual property rights are common among companies who rely heavily on intellectual property rights. Our reliance on intellectual property rights has increased significantly in recent years as we have implemented our auction-style sales technologies across our business and ceased conducting live auctions. Recent U.S. Supreme Court precedent potentially restricts patentability of software inventions by affirming that patent claims merely requiring application of an abstract idea on standard computers utilizing generic computer functions are patent ineligible, which may impact our ability to enforce our issued patent and obtain new patents. As we face increasing competition, the possibility of intellectual property rights claims against us increases. Litigation and any other intellectual property claims, whether with or without merit, can be time-consuming, expensive to litigate and settle, and can divert management resources and attention from our core business. An adverse determination in current or future litigation could prevent us from offering our products and services in the manner currently conducted. We may also have to pay damages or seek a license for the technology, which may not be available on reasonable terms and which may significantly increase our operating expenses, if it is available for us to license at all. We could also be required to develop alternative non-infringing technology, which could require significant effort and expense.

### If we experience problems with our subhaulers and trucking fleet operations, our business could be harmed.

We rely primarily upon independent subhaulers to pick up and deliver vehicles to and from our storage facilities in the U.S., Canada, Brazil, the Republic of Ireland, Germany, Finland, the U.A.E., Oman, Bahrain, and Spain. We also utilize, to a lesser extent, independent subhaulers in the U.K. Our failure to pick up and deliver vehicles in a timely and accurate manner could harm our reputation and brand, which could have a material adverse effect on our business. Further, an increase in fuel cost may lead to increased prices charged by our independent subhaulers, which may significantly increase our cost. We may not be able to pass these costs on to our sellers or buyers.

In addition to using independent subhaulers, in the U.K. we utilize a fleet of company trucks to pick up and deliver vehicles from our U.K. storage facilities. In connection therewith, we are subject to the risks associated with providing trucking services, including inclement weather, disruptions in transportation infrastructure, accidents and related injury claims, availability and price of fuel, any of which could result in an increase in our operating expenses and reduction in our net income.

# We are partially self-insured for certain losses and if our estimates of the cost of future claims differ from actual trends, our results of operations could be harmed.

We are partially self-insured for certain losses related to our different lines of insurance coverage including, without limitation, medical insurance, general liability, workers' compensation and auto liability. Our liability represents an estimate of the ultimate cost of claims incurred as of the balance sheet date. The estimated liability is not discounted and is established based upon analysis of historical data and actuarial estimates. Further, we utilize independent actuaries to assist us in establishing the proper amount of reserves for anticipated payouts associated with these self-insured exposures. While we believe these estimates are reasonable based on the information currently available, if actual trends, including the severity of claims and medical cost inflation, differ from our estimates, our results of operations could be impacted.

## Our executive officers, directors and their affiliates hold a large percentage of our stock and their interests may differ from other stockholders.

Our executive officers, directors and their affiliates beneficially own, in the aggregate, 15.9% of our common stock as of July 31, 2018. If they were to act together, these stockholders would have significant influence over most matters requiring approval by stockholders, including the election of directors, any amendments to our certificate of incorporation and certain significant corporate transactions, including potential merger or acquisition transactions. In addition, without the consent of these stockholders, we could be delayed or prevented from entering into transactions that could be beneficial to us or our other investors. These stockholders may take these actions even if they are opposed by our other investors.

We have certain provisions in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws which may have an anti-takeover effect or that may delay, defer or prevent acquisition bids for us that a stockholder might consider favorable and limit attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove our current management.

Our board of directors is authorized to create and issue from time to time, without stockholder approval, up to an aggregate of 5,000,000 shares of undesignated preferred stock, the terms of which may be established and shares of which may be issued without stockholder approval, and which may include rights superior to the rights of the holders of common stock. In addition, our bylaws establish advance notice requirements for nominations for elections to our board of directors or for proposing matters that can be acted upon by stockholders at stockholder meetings. These anti-takeover provisions and other provisions under Delaware law could discourage, delay or prevent a transaction involving a change in control of our company, even if doing so would benefit our stockholders. These provisions could also discourage proxy contests and make it more difficult for stockholders to elect directors of their choosing and cause us to take other corporate actions the stockholders desire.

If we lose key management or are unable to attract and retain the talent required for our business, we may not be able to successfully manage our business or achieve our objectives.

Our future success depends in large part upon the leadership and performance of our executive management team, all of whom are employed on an at-will basis and none of whom are subject to any agreements not to compete. If we lose the service of one or more of our executive officers or key employees, in particular Willis J. Johnson, our Chairman, or A. Jayson Adair, our Chief Executive Officer, or if one or more of these executives decide to join a competitor or otherwise compete directly or indirectly with us, we may not be able to successfully manage our business or achieve our business objectives.

### Cash investments are subject to risks.

We may invest our excess cash in securities or money market funds backed by securities, which may include U.S. treasuries, other federal, state and municipal debt, bonds, preferred stock, commercial paper, insurance contracts and other securities both privately and publicly traded. All securities are subject to risk, including fluctuations in interest rates, credit risk, market risk and systemic economic risk. Changes or movements in any of these risk factors may result in a loss or impairment to our invested cash and may have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

### Rapid technological changes may render our technology obsolete or decrease the competitiveness of our services.

To remain competitive, we must continue to enhance and improve the functionality and features of our websites and software. The internet and the online commerce industry are rapidly changing. In particular, the online commerce industry is characterized by increasingly complex systems and infrastructures. If competitors introduce new services embodying new technologies or if new industry standards and practices emerge, our existing websites and proprietary technology and systems may become obsolete. Our future success will depend on our ability to:

- enhance our existing services;
- develop and license new services and technologies that address the increasingly sophisticated and varied needs of our current and prospective customers; and
- respond to technological advances and emerging industry standards and practices in a cost-effective and timely basis.

Developing our websites and other proprietary technology entails significant technical and business risks. We may use new technologies ineffectively or we may fail to adapt our websites, transaction-processing systems and network infrastructure to customer requirements or emerging industry standards. If we face material delays in introducing new services, products and enhancements, our customers and suppliers may forego the use of our services and use those of our competitors.

### New member programs could impact our operating results.

We have or will initiate programs to open our auctions to the general public. These programs include the Registered Broker program through which the public can purchase vehicles through a registered member and the Market Maker program through which registered members can open Copart storefronts with internet kiosks enabling the general public to search our inventory and purchase vehicles. Initiating programs that allow access to our online auctions to the general public will involve material expenditures and we cannot predict what future benefit, if any, will be derived.

Factors such as mild weather conditions can have an adverse effect on our revenues and operating results, as well as our revenue and earnings growth rates, by reducing the available supply of salvage vehicles. Conversely, extreme weather conditions can result in an oversupply of salvage vehicles that requires us to incur abnormal expenses to respond to market demands.

Mild weather conditions tend to result in a decrease in the available supply of salvage vehicles because traffic accidents decrease and fewer automobiles are damaged. Accordingly, mild weather can have an adverse effect on our salvage vehicle inventories, which would be expected to have an adverse effect on our revenue and operating results and related growth rates. Conversely, our inventories will tend to increase in poor weather such as a harsh winter or as a result of adverse weather-related conditions such as flooding. During periods of mild weather conditions, our ability to increase our revenues and improve our operating results and related growth will be increasingly dependent on our ability to obtain additional vehicle sellers and to compete more effectively in the market, each of which is subject to the other risks and uncertainties described in these sections. In addition, extreme weather conditions, although they increase the available supply of salvage cars, can have an adverse effect on our operating results. For example, during fiscal 2006, fiscal 2013 and fiscal 2018, we recognized substantial additional costs associated with Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Sandy, and Harvey. Weather events have had, in certain quarters, an adverse effect on our operating results, in part because of yard capacity constraints in the impacted areas of the U.S. These additional costs were characterized as "abnormal" under ASC 330, *Inventory*, and included premiums for

subhaulers, payroll, equipment and facilities expenses directly related to the operating conditions created by the hurricanes. In the event that we were to again experience extremely adverse weather or other anomalous conditions that result in an abnormally high number of salvage vehicles in one or more of our markets, those conditions could have an adverse effect on our future operating results.

Macroeconomic factors such as high fuel prices, declines in commodity prices, declines in used car prices, and vehicle-related technological advances may have an adverse effect on our revenues and operating results, as well as our earnings growth rates.

Macroeconomic factors that affect oil prices and the automobile and commodity markets can have adverse effects on our revenues, revenue growth rates (if any), and operating results. Significant increases in the cost of fuel could lead to a reduction in miles driven per car and a reduction in accident rates. A material reduction in accident rates, whether due to, among other things, a reduction in miles driven per car, vehicle-related technological advances such as accident avoidance systems and, to the extent widely adopted, the advent of autonomous vehicles, could have a material impact on revenue growth. In addition, under our Percentage Incentive Program contracts, which we refer to as PIP, the cost of towing the vehicle to one of our facilities is included in the PIP fee. We may incur increased fees, which we may not be able to pass on to our vehicle sellers. A material increase in tow rates could have a material impact on our operating results. Volatility in fuel, commodity, and used car prices could have a material adverse effect on our revenues and revenue growth rates in future periods.

### The vehicle sales industry is highly competitive and we may not be able to compete successfully.

We face significant competition for the supply of salvage and other vehicles and for the buyers of those vehicles. We believe our principal competitors include other auction and vehicle remarketing service companies with whom we compete directly in obtaining vehicles from insurance companies and other sellers, and large vehicle dismantlers, who may buy salvage vehicles directly from insurance companies, bypassing the salvage sales process. Many of the insurance companies have established relationships with competitive remarketing companies and large dismantlers. Certain of our competitors may have greater financial resources than us. Due to the limited number of vehicle sellers, particularly in the U.K., and other foreign markets, the absence of long-term contractual commitments between us and our sellers and the increasingly competitive market environment, there can be no assurance that our competitors will not gain market share at our expense.

We may also encounter significant competition for local, regional and national supply agreements with vehicle sellers. There can be no assurance that the existence of other local, regional or national contracts entered into by our competitors will not have a material adverse effect on our business or our expansion plans. Furthermore, we are likely to face competition from major competitors in the acquisition of vehicle storage facilities, which could significantly increase the cost of such acquisitions and thereby materially impede our expansion objectives or have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations. These potential new competitors may include consolidators of automobile dismantling businesses, organized salvage vehicle buying groups, automobile manufacturers, automobile auctioneers and software companies. While most vehicle sellers have abandoned or reduced efforts to sell salvage vehicles directly without the use of service providers such as us, there can be no assurance that this trend will continue, which could adversely affect our market share, consolidated results of operations and financial position. Additionally, existing or new competitors may be significantly larger and have greater financial and marketing resources than us; therefore, there can be no assurance that we will be able to compete successfully in the future.

# Government regulation of the vehicle sales industry may impair our operations, increase our costs of doing business and create potential liability.

Participants in the vehicle sales industry are subject to, and may be required to expend funds to ensure compliance with a variety of governmental, regulatory and administrative rules, regulations, land use ordinances, licensure requirements and procedures, including but not limited to those governing vehicle registration, the environment, zoning and land use, and antimoney laundering. Failure to comply with present or future regulations or changes in interpretations of existing regulations may result in impairment of our operations and the imposition of penalties and other liabilities. At various times, we may be involved in disputes with local governmental officials regarding the development and/or operation of our business facilities. We believe that we are in compliance in all material respects with applicable regulatory requirements. We may be subject

to similar types of regulations by federal, national, international, provincial, state and local governmental agencies in new markets. In addition, new regulatory requirements or changes in existing requirements may delay or increase the cost of opening new facilities, may limit our base of vehicle buyers and may decrease demand for our vehicles.

# Changes in laws or the interpretation of laws, including foreign laws and regulations, affecting the import and export of vehicles may have an adverse effect on our business and financial condition.

Our internet-based auction-style model has allowed us to offer our products and services to international markets and has increased our international buyer base. As a result, foreign importers of vehicles now represent a significant part of our total buyer base. As a result our foreign buyers may be subject to a variety of foreign laws and regulations, including the imposition of import duties by foreign countries. Changes in laws, regulations, and treaties that restrict or impede or negatively affect the economics surrounding the importation of vehicles into foreign countries may reduce the demand for vehicles and impact our ability to maintain or increase our international buyer base. In addition, we and our vehicle buyers must work with foreign customs agencies and other non-U.S. governmental officials, who are responsible for the interpretation, application, and enforcement of these laws, regulations, and treaties. Any inability to obtain requisite approvals or agreements from such authorities could adversely impact the ability of our buyers to import vehicles into foreign countries. In addition, any disputes or disagreements with foreign agencies or officials over import duties, tariffs, or similar matters, including disagreements over the value assigned to imported vehicles, could adversely affect our costs and the ability and costs of our buyers to import vehicles into foreign countries. For example, in March 2008, a decree issued by the president of Mexico became effective that placed restrictions on the types of vehicles that can be imported into Mexico from the U.S. The adoption of similar laws or regulations in other jurisdictions that have the effect of reducing or curtailing our activities abroad, changes in the interpretation, application, and enforcement of laws, regulations, or treaties, any failure to comply with non-U.S. laws or regulatory interpretations, or any legal or regulatory interpretations or governmental actions that significantly increase our costs or the costs of our buyers could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position by reducing the demand for our products and services and our ability to compete in non-U.S. markets.

# The operation of our storage facilities poses certain environmental risks, which could adversely affect our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Our operations are subject to federal, state, national, international, provincial and local laws and regulations regarding the protection of the environment in the countries which we have storage facilities. In some cases, we may acquire land with existing environmental issues, including landfills as an example. In the salvage vehicle remarketing industry, large numbers of wrecked vehicles are stored at storage facilities and during that time, spills of fuel, motor oil and other fluids may occur, resulting in soil, surface water or groundwater contamination. In addition, certain of our facilities generate and/or store petroleum products and other hazardous materials, including waste solvents and used oil. In the U.K., we provide vehicle de-pollution and crushing services for end-of-life program vehicles. We could incur substantial expenditures for preventative, investigative or remedial action and could be exposed to liability arising from our operations, contamination by previous users of certain of our acquired facilities or facilities which we may acquire in the future, or the disposal of our waste at off-site locations. Environmental laws and regulations could become more stringent over time and there can be no assurance that we or our operations will not be subject to significant costs in the future. Although we have obtained indemnification for pre-existing environmental liabilities from many of the persons and entities from whom we have acquired facilities, there can be no assurance that such indemnifications will be adequate. Any such expenditures or liabilities could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

# Adverse U.S. and international economic conditions may negatively affect our business, operating results, or financial condition.

The capital and credit markets have historically experienced extreme volatility and disruption, which has in the past and may in the future lead to economic downturns in the U.S. and abroad. As a result of any economic downturn, the number of miles driven may decrease, which may lead to fewer accident claims, a reduction of vehicle repairs, and fewer salvage vehicles. Increases in unemployment, as a result of any economic downturn, may lead to an increase in the number of uninsured motorists. Uninsured motorists are responsible for disposition of their vehicle if involved in an accident. Disposition generally is either the repair or disposal of the vehicle. In the situation where the owner of the wrecked vehicle, and not an

insurance company, is responsible for its disposition, we believe it is more likely that vehicle will be repaired or, if disposed, disposed through channels other than us. Adverse credit markets may also affect the ability of members to secure financing to purchase salvaged vehicles which may adversely affect demand. In addition, if the banking system or the financial markets deteriorate or are volatile, our credit facility or our ability to obtain additional debt or equity financing may be affected. These adverse economic conditions and events may have a negative effect on our business, consolidated results of operations and financial position.

If we determine that our goodwill has become impaired, we could incur significant charges that would have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations.

Goodwill represents the excess of cost over the fair market value of assets acquired in business combinations. As of July 31, 2018, the amount of goodwill on our consolidated balance sheet subject to future impairment testing was \$337.2 million.

Pursuant to ASC 350, Intangibles—Goodwill and Other, we are required to annually test goodwill to determine if impairment has occurred, either through a quantitative or qualitative analysis. Additionally, interim reviews must be performed whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that impairment may have occurred. If the testing performed indicates that impairment has occurred, we are required to record a non-cash impairment charge for the difference between the carrying value of the goodwill and the implied fair value of the goodwill in the period the determination is made. The annual goodwill impairment analysis, which was performed qualitatively in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018, considered all relevant factors specific to our reporting units, including macroeconomic conditions; industry and market considerations; overall financial performance and relevant entity-specific events. Changes in these factors, or changes in actual performance could affect the fair value of goodwill, which may result in an impairment charge. For example, deterioration in worldwide economic conditions could affect these assumptions and lead us to determine that goodwill impairment is required. We cannot accurately predict the amount or timing of any impairment of assets. We considered the above factors noting none involved significant uncertainty. In addition, the industry in which we operate improved over the observable period, and our calculated fair value exceeded carrying value for each reporting unit by a substantial amount in our previous quantitative analysis, indicating no material risk as of July 31, 2018, with respect to potential goodwill impairments. Should the value of our goodwill become impaired, it could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and could result in our incurring net losses in future periods.

Changes in federal, state and local, or foreign tax laws, changing interpretations of existing tax laws, or adverse determinations by tax authorities could increase our tax burden or otherwise adversely affect our financial condition or results of operations.

We are subject to taxation at the federal, state, provincial, and local levels in the United States, the United Kingdom, and various other countries and jurisdictions in which we operate, including income taxes, sales taxes, value-added (VAT) taxes, and similar taxes and assessments. The laws and regulations related to tax matters are extremely complex and subject to varying interpretations. Although we believe our tax positions are reasonable, we are subject to audit by the Internal Revenue Service in the United States, HM Revenue and Customs in the United Kingdom, state tax authorities in the states in which we operate, and other similar tax authorities in international jurisdictions. As previously disclosed, we have been subject to challenge by the Georgia Department of Revenue with respect to sales taxes and could face similar audits or challenges from applicable federal, state, or foreign tax authorities in the future. While we believe we comply with all applicable tax laws, rules, and regulations in the relevant jurisdictions, tax authorities may elect to audit us and determine that we owe additional taxes, which could result in a significant increase in our liabilities for taxes, interest, and penalties in excess of our accrued liabilities.

New tax legislative initiatives may be proposed from time to time, such as proposals for comprehensive tax reform in the United States, which may impact our effective tax rate and which could adversely affect our tax positions or tax liabilities. Our future effective tax rate could be adversely affected by, among other things, changes in the composition of earnings in jurisdictions with differing tax rates, changes in statutory rates and other legislative changes, changes in interpretations of existing tax laws, or changes in determinations regarding the jurisdictions in which we are subject to tax. From time to time,

U.S. federal, state and local, and foreign governments make substantive changes to tax rules and their application, which could result in materially higher taxes than would be incurred under existing tax law and which could adversely affect our financial condition or results of operations.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("Tax Reform" or "Tax Act") was enacted on December 22, 2017. The Tax Act significantly revamped U.S. taxation of corporations, including a reduction of the federal income tax rate from 35% to 21%, a repeal of the exceptions to the \$1.0 million deduction limitation for performance-based compensation to covered employees, and a new tax regime for foreign earnings. The repeal of the \$1.0 million deduction limit for performance-based compensation, the new U.S. taxes on accumulated and future foreign earnings and other adverse changes resulting from the Tax Act, or a change in the mix of domestic and foreign earnings, might offset the benefit from the reduced tax rate, and our future effective tax rates and/or cash taxes may increase, even significantly, or not decrease much, compared to recent or historical trends. Many of the provisions of the Tax Act are highly complex and may be subject to further interpretive guidance from the IRS or others. Some of the provisions of the Tax Act may be changed by a future Congress or challenged by the World Trade Organization ("WTO"). Although we cannot predict the nature or outcome of such future interpretive guidance, or actions by a future Congress or WTO, they could adversely impact our consolidated results of operations and financial position. Income tax expense on accumulated foreign earnings recorded as a result of the Tax Act is a provisional amount and reflects our current best estimate, which may be adjusted over the course of the next year and could adversely affect our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

New accounting pronouncements or new interpretations of existing standards could require us to make adjustments to accounting policies that could adversely affect the consolidated financial statements.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, and the SEC, from time to time issue new pronouncements or new interpretations of existing accounting standards that require changes to our accounting policies and procedures. To date, we do not believe any new pronouncements or interpretations have had a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position, but future pronouncements or interpretations could require a change or changes in our policies or procedures.

# Fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates could result in declines in our reported revenues and earnings.

Our reported revenues and earnings are subject to fluctuations in currency exchange rates. We do not engage in foreign currency hedging arrangements; consequently, foreign currency fluctuations may adversely affect our revenues and earnings. Should we choose to engage in hedging activities in the future we cannot be assured our hedges will be effective or that the costs of the hedges will exceed their benefits. Fluctuations in the rate of exchange between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies, primarily the British pound, Canadian dollar, Brazilian real, European Union euro, U.A.E. dirham, Omani rial, and Bahraini dinar could adversely affect our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

On June 23, 2016, the U.K. held a referendum in which voters approved an exit from the European Union, commonly referred to as "Brexit." In February 2017, the British Parliament voted in favor of allowing the British government to begin negotiating the terms of the U.K.'s withdrawal from the European Union and discussions with the European Union began in March 2017. Adverse consequences concerning Brexit or the European Union could include deterioration in global economic conditions, instability in global financial markets, political uncertainty, volatility in currency exchange rates, or adverse changes in the cross-border agreements currently in place, any of which could have an adverse impact on our financial results in the future.

# Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

#### Item 2. *Properties*

Our corporate headquarters are located in Dallas, Texas. This facility consists of approximately 96,000 square feet of office space under a lease which expires in fiscal 2024. In the U.S., we own or lease facilities in every state except North Dakota, South Dakota, and Vermont. In Canada, we own or lease facilities in the provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Alberta, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. In the U.K., we own or lease 18 operating facilities. In Brazil, we own or lease eight operating facilities. In the Republic of Ireland, we own one operating facility. In the U.A.E., Oman, and Bahrain, we lease one operating facility in each country. In Finland, we own or lease four operating facilities. In Germany we operate an online platform and own two operating facilities. In Spain, we operate an online platform, own one operating facility and lease three additional storage locations. We believe that our existing facilities are adequate to meet current requirements and that suitable additional or substitute space will be available as needed to accommodate any expansion of operations and additional offices on commercially acceptable terms.

#### Item 3. Legal Proceedings

#### **Legal Proceedings**

We are subject to threats of litigation and are involved in actual litigation and damage claims arising in the ordinary course of business, such as actions related to injuries, property damage, contract disputes, and handling or disposal of vehicles. The material pending legal proceedings to which we are party, or of which our property is subject, include the following matters.

On November 1, 2013, we filed suit against Sparta Consulting, Inc. (now known as KPIT). The suit arose out of our September 17, 2013 decision to terminate the Implementation Services Agreement, under which KPIT was to design, implement, and deliver a customized replacement enterprise resource planning system for us. On January 8, 2014, KPIT filed suit against us in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California, alleging breach of contract, promissory estoppel, breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, account stated, quantum meruit, unjust enrichment, and declaratory relief. On June 8, 2016, we amended our complaint to include claims that KPIT stole certain intellectual property owned by us and acted negligently in its provision of services. The case was tried in April and May 2018. On May 22, 2018, the jury returned a verdict for us on our fraud claim against KPIT for \$4.7 million, and on our professional negligence claim against KPIT for \$16.3 million, and the jury found for KPIT on its implied covenant counterclaim against us for \$4.9 million.

In a September 10, 2018, post-trial order, the Court reduced our professional negligence award to \$9.1 million, found KPIT liable under California's Unfair Competition Law (UCL) for fraudulent and unfair conduct and held that we could recover restitution of \$6.3 million if the we choose to forego our fraud and professional negligence damages, found that we were not entitled to restitution on our unjust enrichment claim, and awarded KPIT prejudgment interest on its implied covenant counterclaim starting from December 26, 2016. Further post-trial proceedings are expected in this lawsuit, including the determination of our right to prejudgment interest on our successful claims.

We have provided for costs relating to these matters when a loss is probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated. The effect of the outcome of these matters on our future consolidated results of operations and cash flows cannot be predicted because any such effect depends on future results of operations and the amount and timing of the resolution of such matters. We believe that any ultimate liability will not have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows. However, the amount of the liabilities associated with these claims, if any, cannot be determined with certainty. We maintain insurance which may or may not provide coverage for claims made against us. There is no assurance that there will be insurance coverage available when and if needed. Additionally, the insurance that we carry requires that we pay for costs and/or claims exposure up to the amount of the insurance deductibles negotiated when the insurance is purchased.

#### **Governmental Proceedings**

The Georgia Department of Revenue, or DOR, conducted a sales and use tax audit of our operations in Georgia for the period from January 1, 2007 through June 30, 2011. As a result of their initial audit, the DOR issued a notice of proposed assessment for uncollected sales taxes in which it asserted that we failed to collect and remit sales taxes totaling \$73.8 million, including penalties and interest.

Subsequently, we engaged a Georgia law firm and outside tax advisors to review the conduct of our business operations in Georgia, the notice of proposed assessment, and the DOR's policy position. In particular, our outside legal counsel provided us with an opinion that the sales for resale to non-U.S. registered resellers should not be subject to Georgia sales and use tax. In rendering its opinion, our counsel noted that non-U.S. registered resellers are unable to comply strictly with technical requirements for a Georgia certificate of exemption but concluded that our sales for resale to non-U.S. registered resellers should not be subject to Georgia sales and use tax notwithstanding this technical inability to comply. Following our receipt of the notice of proposed assessment, we and our counsel engaged in active discussions with the DOR to resolve the matter.

During an extended remand period, it was determined that grounds exist for a substantial reduction in the Official Assessment, on the basis that (i) the transactions and resulting tax at issue were erroneously double-counted by the DOR in the audit sales transaction work papers on which the Assessment was based; and (ii) we were ultimately able to provide documentation showing that most of the remaining transactions were sales at wholesale, therefore qualifying for the sale for resale exemption from Georgia Sales and Use Tax. After these reductions, the remaining amount of principal Georgia Sales and Use Tax still in dispute between the parties is \$2.6 million, plus applicable interest. A Consent Order to this effect was entered by the Georgia Tax Tribunal on May 22, 2017. Since the date of entry of the Consent Order, the DOR filed a Motion for Summary Judgment related to the remaining \$2.6 million in dispute. We opposed the DOR's motion and are awaiting a decision by the Court regarding the DOR's motion.

Based on the opinion from our outside law firm, advice from our outside tax advisors, and our best estimate of a probable outcome, we believe that we have adequately provided for the payment of any assessment in our consolidated financial statements. We believe we have strong defenses to the remaining tax liability set forth above and intend to continue to defend this matter. There can be no assurance that this matter will be resolved in our favor or that we will not ultimately be required to make a substantial payment to the DOR. We understand that litigating and defending the matter in Georgia could be expensive and time-consuming and result in substantial management distraction. If the matter were to be resolved in a manner adverse to us, it could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and financial position.

# Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosure

Not applicable.

# Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

#### Market Information

The following table summarizes the high and low sales prices per share of our common stock for each quarter during the last two fiscal years. As of July 31, 2018, there were 233,898,841 shares outstanding. Our common stock has been quoted on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "CPRT" since March 17, 1994. As of September 28, 2018, we had 906 stockholders of record. On July 31, 2018, the last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market was \$57.39 per share.

	20	18		20	17	
	 High		Low	High		Low
Fourth Quarter	\$ 60.43	\$	50.87	\$ 31.95	\$	29.18
Third Quarter	\$ 52.73	\$	39.21	\$ 31.20	\$	27.83
Second Quarter	\$ 46.09	\$	35.32	\$ 28.81	\$	25.40
First Quarter	\$ 36.65	\$	30.46	\$ 27.23	\$	24.87

#### **Dividend Policies**

We have not paid a cash dividend since becoming a public company in 1994. We currently intend to retain any earnings for use in our business. The Credit Agreement to which we are a party contains customary affirmative and negative covenants, including covenants that limit or restrict us and our subsidiaries' ability to, among other things, pay dividends, subject to certain exceptions. For further detail see Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Note 8 — Long-Term Debt* and *Note 11 — Stockholders' Equity* and under the subheadings "*Credit Agreement*" and "*Note Purchase Agreement*" in the Liquidity and Capital Resources sections of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# Repurchase of Our Common Stock

On September 22, 2011, our Board of Directors approved an 80 million share increase in the stock repurchase program, bringing the total current authorization to 196 million shares. The repurchases may be effected through solicited or unsolicited transactions in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. No time limit has been placed on the duration of the stock repurchase program. Subject to applicable securities laws, such repurchases will be made at such times and in such amounts as we deem appropriate and may be discontinued at any time. For fiscal 2018 and 2017, we did not repurchase any shares of our common stock under the program. For fiscal 2016, we repurchased 5,877,038 shares of our common stock at a weighted average price of \$20.065 per share totaling \$117.9 million. As of July 31, 2018, the total number of shares repurchased under the program was 106,913,602, and 89,086,398 shares were available for repurchase under our program.

On December 30, 2015, we completed a modified "Dutch Auction" tender offer, or tender offer, to purchase up to 14,634,146 shares of our common stock at a price not greater than \$20.50 nor less than \$19.00 per share. In connection with the tender offer, we accepted for payment an aggregate of 16,666,666 shares of our common stock at a purchase price of \$19.50 per share for a total value of \$325.0 million. Our directors and executive officers did not participate in the tender offers. The shares purchased as a result of the tender offers were not part of our stock repurchase program.

The number and average price of shares purchased in each fiscal year are set forth in the table below:

			verage ice Paid	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly	Maximum Number of Shares That May Yet be Purchased
Period	Shares	Per Share		Announced Program	Under the Program <sup>(1)</sup>
Fiscal 2016					
First Quarter	_	\$		_	94,963,436
Second Quarter <sup>(2)</sup>	16,666,666	\$	19.50	_	94,963,436
Third Quarter	5,877,038	\$	20.07	5,877,038	89,086,398
Fourth Quarter	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
Fiscal 2017					
First Quarter	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
Second Quarter	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
Third Quarter	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
Fourth Quarter	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
Fiscal 2018					
First Quarter	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
Second Quarter	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
Third Quarter	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
May 1, 2018 through May 31, 2018	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
June 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398
July 1, 2018 through July 31, 2018	_	\$	_	_	89,086,398

- (1) The Company's stock repurchase program was announced on February 20, 2003. On September 22, 2011, the Company's board of directors approved an 80 million share increase in the Company's stock repurchase program, bringing the total current authorization to 196 million shares. The repurchase may be effected through solicited or unsolicited transactions in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. No time limit has been placed on the duration of the stock repurchase program. Subject to applicable securities laws, such repurchases will be made at such times and in such amounts as the Company deems appropriate and may be discontinued at any time.
- (2) 16,666,666 shares were repurchased by the Company through its modified "Dutch Auction" tender offer under which the Company was to purchase up to 14,634,146 shares of its common stock at a price not greater than \$20.50 nor less than \$19.00 per share. The tender offer was announced on November 23, 2015 and was completed on December 30, 2015.

During fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016, certain executive officers, members of the Company's Board of Directors and other employees exercised stock options through cashless exercises. A portion of the options exercised were net settled in satisfaction of the exercise price and federal and state statutory tax withholding requirements. The Company remitted \$134.6 million and \$15.0 million for the years ended July 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, to the proper taxing authorities in satisfaction of the employees' statutory withholding requirements.

The exercised stock options, utilizing a cashless exercise, are summarized in the following table:

Period	Options Exercised	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Shares Net Settled for Exercise	Shares Withheld for Taxes <sup>(1)</sup>	Net Shares to Employees	Weighted Average Share Price for Withholding	Employee Stock Based Tax Withholding (in 000s)		
FY 2016—Q4	2,260,000	\$ 9.32	821,296	586,304	852,400	\$ 25.65	\$ 15,039		
FY 2017—Q1	18,000,000	7.70	5,408,972	5,255,322	7,335,706	25.62	134,615		
FY 2018—Q2	80,000	6.54	11,996		68,004	43.60	_		

(1) Shares withheld for taxes are treated as a repurchase of shares for accounting purposes but do not count against our stock repurchase program.

#### **Issuances of Unregistered Securities**

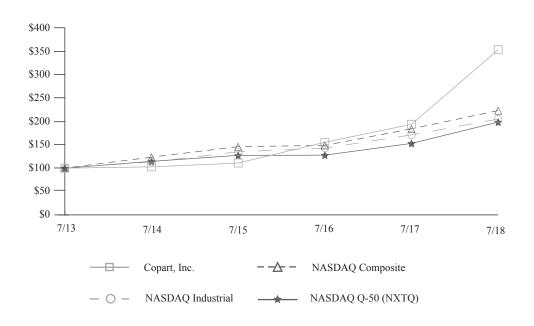
There were no issuances of unregistered securities in the year ended July 31, 2018.

#### **Performance Graph**

Notwithstanding any statement to the contrary in any of our previous or future filings with the SEC, the following information relating to the price performance of our common stock shall not be deemed "filed" with the SEC or "Soliciting Material" under the Exchange Act, or subject to Regulation 14A or 14C, or to liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act except to the extent we specifically request that such information be treated as soliciting material or to the extent we specifically incorporate this information by reference.

The following is a line graph comparing the cumulative total return to stockholders of our common stock at July 31, 2018 since July 31, 2013, to the cumulative total return over such period of (i) the NASDAQ Composite Index, (ii) the NASDAQ Industrial Index, and (iii) the NASDAQ Q-50 (NXTQ).

# COMPARISON OF 5 YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN\* Among Copart, Inc., the NASDAQ Composite Index, the NASDAQ Industrial Index, and the NASDAQ Q-50 (NXTQ)



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Fiscal	Year	Ended	July	V 31.

	2013		2014		2015	2016	2017	2018
Copart, Inc.	\$ 100.00	\$	102.68	\$	110.83	\$ 155.15	\$ 193.73	\$ 353.06
NASDAQ Composite	\$ 100.00	\$	123.49	\$	145.85	\$ 148.64	\$ 183.99	\$ 223.06
NASDAQ Industrial	\$ 100.00	\$	113.05	\$	134.93	\$ 142.76	\$ 171.09	\$ 204.84
NASDAQ Q-50 (NXTQ)	\$ 100.00	\$	114.47	\$	127.30	\$ 127.71	\$ 152.84	\$ 198.33

<sup>\*</sup> Assumes that \$100.00 was invested on July 31, 2013 in our common stock, in the NASDAQ Composite Index, the NASDAQ Industrial Index and the NASDAQ Q-50 (NXTQ), and that all dividends were reinvested. No dividends have been declared on our common stock. Stockholder returns over the indicated period should not be considered indicative of future stockholder returns.

#### Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following selected consolidated financial data should be read in conjunction with our "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Part II, Item 7. of this Form 10-K, and "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in Part II, Item 8 of this Form 10-K. Our historical results of operations are not necessarily indicative of results of operations to be expected for any future period.

			Fisc	al Yo	ear Ended Ju	ly 31	,		
		2018	2017		2016		2015		2014
(In thousands, except per share)									
Operating Data									
Revenues	\$	1,805,695	\$ 1,447,981	\$	1,268,449	\$	1,146,079	\$	1,163,489
Operating income		584,345	461,299		406,470		344,401		274,934
Income before income taxes		562,511	440,100		395,865		332,069		270,035
Income taxes		144,504	45,839		125,505		112,286		91,348
Net income	\$	418,007	\$ 394,261	\$	270,360	\$	219,783	\$	178,687
Basic net income per common share	\$	1.80	\$ 1.72	\$	1.18	\$	0.87	\$	0.71
Weighted average common shares outstanding		231,793	228,686		228,846		251,829		251,387
Diluted net income per common share	\$	1.73	\$ 1.66	\$	1.11	\$	0.84	\$	0.68
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding.	_	241,877	237,019		244,295		262,851	_	262,459
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	274,520	\$ 210,100	\$	155,849	\$	456,012	\$	158,668
Working capital		431,860	285,108		220,523		521,456		168,007
Total assets		2,307,698	1,982,501		1,649,820		1,798,660		1,506,121
Total debt		399,898	633,038		640,492		644,514		302,218
Stockholders' equity		1,581,099	1,098,600		774,456		964,464		1,003,499

#### CAUTION REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2018, or this Form 10-K, including the information incorporated by reference herein, contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act). All statements other than statements of historical facts are statements that could be deemed forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terms such as "may," "will," "should," "expect," "plan," "intend," "forecast," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "potential," "continue" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. The forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-K involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and situations that may cause our or our industry's actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these statements. These forward-looking statements are made in reliance upon the safe harbor provision of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These factors include those listed in Part I, Item 1A under the caption entitled "Risk Factors" in this Form 10-K and those discussed elsewhere in this Form 10-K. Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this Form 10-K to "Copart," the "Company," "we," "us," or "our" refer to Copart, Inc. We encourage investors to review these factors carefully together with the other matters referred to herein, as well as in the other documents we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). We may from time to time make additional written and oral forwardlooking statements, including statements contained in our filings with the SEC. We do not undertake to update any forwardlooking statement that may be made from time to time by or on behalf of us.

All references to numbered Notes are to specific Notes to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K and which descriptions are incorporated into the applicable response by reference. Capitalized terms used, but not defined, in this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation ("MD&A") have the same meanings as in such Notes.

#### Overview

We are a leading provider of online auctions and vehicle remarketing services with operations in the United States (U.S.), Canada, the United Kingdom (U.K.), Brazil, the Republic of Ireland, Germany, Finland, the United Arab Emirates (U.A.E.), Oman, Bahrain, and Spain.

Our goals are to generate sustainable profits for our stockholders, while also producing environmental and social benefits for the world, by promoting vehicle restoration, repair, and recycling; parts refurbishment and re-use; and facilitating the recovery and resilience of communities affected by severe climate events.

We provide vehicle sellers with a full range of services to process and sell vehicles primarily over the internet through our Virtual Bidding Third Generation internet auction-style sales technology, which we refer to as VB3. Vehicle sellers consist primarily of insurance companies, but also include banks, finance companies, charities, fleet operators, dealers and vehicles sourced directly from individual owners. We sell the vehicles principally to licensed vehicle dismantlers, rebuilders, repair licensees, used vehicle dealers and exporters and, at certain locations, to the general public. The majority of the vehicles sold on behalf of insurance companies are either damaged vehicles deemed a total loss or not economically repairable by the insurance companies, or are recovered stolen vehicles for which an insurance settlement with the vehicle owner has already been made. We offer vehicle sellers a full range of services that help expedite each stage of the vehicle sales process, minimize administrative and processing costs, and maximize the ultimate sales price.

In the U.S., Canada, Brazil, the Republic of Ireland, Germany, Finland, the U.A.E., Oman, Bahrain, and Spain, we sell vehicles primarily as an agent and derive revenue primarily from fees paid by vehicle buyers ("members") and vehicle sellers as well as related fees for services, such as towing and storage. In the U.K. and Germany, we operate both as an agent and on a principal basis, in some cases purchasing salvage vehicles outright and reselling the vehicles for our own account. In Germany and Spain, we also derive revenue from listing vehicles on behalf of insurance companies and insurance experts to determine the vehicle's residual value and/or to facilitate a sale for the insured.

We monitor and analyze a number of key financial performance indicators in order to manage our business and evaluate our financial and operating performance. Such indicators include:

Service and Vehicle Sales Revenue: Our revenue consists of sales transaction fees charged to vehicle sellers and vehicle buyers, transportation revenue, purchased vehicle revenue, and other remarketing services. Revenues from sellers are generally generated either on a fixed fee contract basis, where our fees are fixed based on the sale of each vehicle regardless of the selling price of the vehicle or under our Percentage Incentive Program, which we refer to as PIP, where our fees are generally based on a predetermined percentage of the vehicle sales price. Under the consignment or fixed fee program, we generally charge an additional fee for title processing and special preparation. We may also charge additional fees for the cost of transporting the vehicle to our facility, storage of the vehicle, and other incidental costs not included in the consignment fee. Under the consignment program, only the fees associated with vehicle processing are recorded in revenue, not the actual sales price (gross proceeds). Sales transaction fees also include fees charged to vehicle buyers for purchasing vehicles, storage, loading, and annual registration. Transportation revenue includes charges to sellers for towing vehicles under certain contracts and towing charges assessed to buyers for delivering vehicles. Purchased vehicle revenue includes the gross sales price of the vehicles which we have purchased or are otherwise considered to own, and is primarily generated in the U.K. We have certain contracts with insurance companies in which we act as a principal, purchasing vehicles and reselling them for our own account. We also purchase vehicles in the open market, primarily from individuals, and resell them for our own account.

Our revenue is impacted by several factors, including total loss frequency and the average vehicle auction selling price, as a significant amount of our service revenue is associated in some manner with the ultimate selling price of the vehicle. Vehicle auction selling prices are driven primarily by: (i) changes in commodity prices, particularly the per ton price for crushed car bodies, as we believe this has an impact on the ultimate selling price of vehicles sold for scrap and vehicles sold for dismantling; (ii) used car pricing, which we also believe has an impact on total loss frequency; (iii) the mix of cars sold; and (iv) changes in the U.S. dollar exchange rate to foreign currencies, which we believe has an impact on auction participation by international buyers. We cannot specifically quantify the financial impact that commodity pricing, used car pricing, and product sales mix has on the selling price of vehicles, our service revenues or financial results. Total loss frequency is the percentage of cars involved in accidents that insurance companies salvage rather than repair and is driven by the relationship between repairs costs, used car values, and auction returns. Over the last several years, we believe there has been an increase in overall growth in the salvage market driven by an increase in total loss frequency. The increase in total loss frequency may have been driven by the decline in used car values relative to repair costs, which we believe are generally trending upward. Conversely, increases in used car prices, such as occurred during the most recent recession, may decrease total loss frequency and adversely affect our growth rate. Used car values are determined by many factors, including used car supply, which is tied directly to new car sales, and the average age of cars on the road. The average age of cars on the road continued to increase, growing from 9.6 years in 2002 to 12.1 years in 2018. The factors that can influence repair costs, used car pricing, and auction returns are many and varied and we cannot predict their movements. Accordingly, we cannot predict future trends in total loss frequency.

Operating Costs and Expenses: Yard operations expenses consist primarily of operating personnel (which includes yard management, clerical and yard employees), rent, contract vehicle towing, insurance, fuel, equipment maintenance and repair, and costs of vehicles sold under the purchase contracts. General and administrative expenses consist primarily of executive management, accounting, data processing, sales personnel, human resources, professional fees, research and development, and marketing expenses.

Other Income and Expense: Other income primarily includes income from the rental of certain real property, foreign exchange rate gains and losses, and gains and losses from the disposal of assets, which will fluctuate based on the nature of these activities each period. Other expense consists primarily of interest expense on long-term debt. See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, Note 8 — Long-Term Debt.

Liquidity and Cash Flows: Our primary source of working capital is cash operating results and debt financing. The primary source of our liquidity is our cash and cash equivalents and Revolving Loan Facility. The primary factors affecting cash operating results are: (i) seasonality; (ii) market wins and losses; (iii) supplier mix; (iv) accident frequency; (v) total loss frequency; (vi) increased volume from our existing suppliers; (vii) commodity pricing; (viii) used car pricing; (ix) foreign currency exchange rates; (x) product mix; (xi) contract mix to the extent applicable; and (xii) our capital expenditures. These factors are further discussed in the Results of Operations and Risk Factors sections of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Potential internal sources of additional working capital are the sale of assets or the issuance of shares through option exercises and shares issued under our Employee Stock Purchase Plan. A potential external source of additional working capital is the issuance of additional debt with new lenders and equity. However, we cannot predict if these sources will be available in the future or on commercially acceptable terms.

# **Acquisitions and New Operations**

As part of our overall expansion strategy of offering integrated services to vehicle sellers, we anticipate acquiring and developing facilities in new regions, as well as the regions currently served by our facilities. We believe that these acquisitions and openings will strengthen our coverage, as we have facilities located in the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Brazil, the Republic of Ireland, Germany, Finland, the U.A.E., Oman, Bahrain, and Spain with the intention of providing national coverage for our sellers. All of these acquisitions have been accounted for using the purchase method of accounting.

The following table sets forth operational facilities that we have acquired or opened and began operations from August 1, 2015 through July 31, 2018:

Locations	Acquisition or Greenfield	Date	Geographic Service Area
Dallas, Texas	Greenfield	March 2016	United States
Wilmer, Texas (Dallas)	Greenfield	April 2016	United States
Temple, Texas	Greenfield	April 2016	United States
Colorado Springs, Colorado	Greenfield	May 2016	United States
Denver, Colorado	Greenfield	July 2016	United States
Cartersville, Georgia	Greenfield	July 2016	United States
Brighton, Colorado (Denver)	Greenfield	August 2016	United States
Sun Valley, California (Los Angeles)	Greenfield	November 2016	United States
Casper, Wyoming	Greenfield	January 2017	United States
Littleton, Colorado (Denver)	Greenfield	January 2017	United States
Apopka, Florida (Orlando)	Greenfield	January 2017	United States
Alorton, Illinois (St. Louis)	Greenfield	February 2017	United States
Okeechobee, Florida	Greenfield	March 2017	United States
Ogden, Utah (Salt Lake City)	Greenfield	March 2017	United States
Wilmington, California (Long Beach).	Greenfield	March 2017	United States
Cycle Express, LLC (1).	Acquisition	June 2017	United States
Andrews, Texas (Midland)	Greenfield	August 2017	United States
Exeter, Rhode Island	Greenfield	October 2017	United States
Lumberton, North Carolina	Greenfield	June 2018	United States
Castledermot, Republic of Ireland	Greenfield	April 2016	Republic of Ireland
Algete, Spain (Madrid)	Greenfield	July 2016	Spain
Bad Fallingbostel, Germany (Hanover)	Greenfield	September 2016	Germany
Nobitz, Germany (Leipzig)	Greenfield	April 2018	Germany
Newbury, United Kingdom	Greenfield	September 2016	United Kingdom
Belfast, Northern Ireland	Greenfield	April 2018	United Kingdom
Betim, Minas Gerais	Greenfield	April 2017	Brazil
Espoo, Finland	Acquisition	March 2018	Finland
Pirkkala, Finland	Acquisition	March 2018	Finland
Oulu, Finland	Acquisition	March 2018	Finland
Turku, Finland	Acquisition	March 2018	Finland

<sup>(1)</sup> Cycle Express, LLC conducts business primarily as National Powersport Auctions (NPA), a leading non-salvage auction platform for motorcycles, snowmobiles, watercraft and other powersports vehicles. NPA currently operates facilities in Atlanta, Georgia; Cincinnati, Ohio; Dallas, Texas; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and San Diego, California.

The period-to-period comparability of our consolidated operating results and financial position is affected by business acquisitions, new openings, weather and product introductions during such periods. In particular, we have certain contracts inherited through our U.K. acquisitions that require us to act as a principal, purchasing vehicles from the insurance companies and reselling them for our own account. It has been our practice and remains our intention, where possible, to migrate these types of contracts to the agency model in future periods. Changes in the amount of revenue derived in a period from principal transactions relative to total revenue will impact revenue growth and margin percentages.

In addition to growth through business acquisitions, we seek to increase revenues and profitability by, among other things, (i) acquiring and developing additional vehicle storage facilities in key markets; (ii) pursuing national and regional vehicle seller agreements; (iii) increasing our service offerings to sellers and members; and (iv) expanding the application of VB3 into new markets. In addition, we implement our pricing structure and auction procedures, and attempt to introduce cost efficiencies at each of our acquired facilities by implementing our operational procedures, integrating our management information systems, and redeploying personnel, when necessary.

# **Results of Operations**

The following table shows certain data from our consolidated statements of income expressed as a percentage of total service revenues and vehicle sales for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016:

	Yea		
(In percentages)	2018	2017	2016
Service revenues and vehicle sales:			
Service revenues	87%	89%	87%
Vehicle sales	13%	11%	13%
Total service revenues and vehicle sales	100%	100%	100%
Operating expenses:			
Yard operations	47%	47%	46%
Cost of vehicle sales	11%	9%	11%
General and administrative	10%	11%	11%
Impairment of long-lived assets	%	1%	%
Total operating expenses	68%	68%	68%
Operating income	32%	32%	32%
Other (expense) income.	(1)%	(2)%	(1)%
Income before income taxes	31%	30%	31%
Income taxes	8%	3%	10%
Net income	23%	27%	21%

# Comparison of Fiscal Years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016

The following table presents a comparison of service revenues for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016:

	Ye	ear	Ended July 3	31,		2018 vs. 2017				2017 vs. 2016			
(In thousands)	2018		2017		2016		Change	% Change		Change	% Change		
Service revenues													
United States	\$ 1,385,238	\$	1,128,990	\$	958,558	\$	256,248	22.7%	\$	170,432	17.8%		
International	193,264		157,262		145,821		36,002	22.9%		11,441	7.8%		
Total service revenues	\$ 1,578,502	\$	1,286,252	\$	1,104,379	\$	292,250	22.7%	\$	181,873	16.5%		

Service Revenues. The increase in service revenues for fiscal 2018 of \$292.3 million, or 22.7% as compared to fiscal 2017 came from (i) an increase in the U.S. of \$256.2 million and (ii) an increase in International of \$36.0 million. The increase in the U.S. was driven primarily by (i) increased volume and (ii) an increase in revenue per car due to higher average auction selling prices, which we believe is due to a change in the mix of vehicles sold, and higher commodity prices. The increase in volume in the U.S. was derived from (i) growth in the number of units sold from new and expanded contracts with insurance companies, (ii) growth from existing suppliers, driven by what we believe was an increase in total loss frequency and (iii) Hurricane Harvey, as the storm produced an extraordinary volume of flood damaged vehicles. Excluding the beneficial impact of \$9.4 million due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates, primarily from the change in the British pound and European Union euro to U.S. dollar exchange rates, the increase in International of \$26.6 million was driven primarily by increased volume and an increase in revenue per car.

The increase in service revenues for fiscal 2017 of \$181.9 million, or 16.5% as compared to fiscal 2016 came from (i) an increase in the U.S. of \$170.4 million and (ii) an increase in International of \$11.4 million. The increase in the U.S. was driven primarily by increased volume and a marginal increase in revenue per car due to higher average auction selling prices, which we believe was due to higher commodity prices. The increase in volume in the U.S. was derived from (i) growth in the number of units sold from new and expanded contracts with insurance companies, and (ii) growth from existing suppliers, driven by what we believe was an increase in salvage frequency. Excluding a detrimental impact of \$16.4 million due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates, primarily from changes in the British pound to U.S. dollar exchange rate, the increase in International of \$27.8 million was driven primarily by increased volume and an increase in revenue per car.

The following table presents a comparison of vehicle sales for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016:

		Ye	ear I	Ended July 3	31,		2018 vs. 2017				2017 vs. 2016			
(In thousands)		2018		2017		2016		Change	% Change	Change		% Change		
Vehicle sales								_						
United States	\$	105,784	\$	64,198	\$	57,478	\$	41,586	64.8%	\$	6,720	11.7%		
International		121,409		97,531		106,592		23,878	24.5%		(9,061)	(8.5)%		
Total vehicle sales	\$	227,193	\$	161,729	\$	164,070	\$	65,464	40.5%	\$	(2,341)	(1.4)%		

Vehicle Sales. The increase in vehicle sales for fiscal 2018 of \$65.5 million, or 40.5% as compared to fiscal 2017 came from (i) an increase in the U.S. of \$41.6 million and (ii) an increase in International of \$23.9 million. Excluding a beneficial impact of \$7.9 million due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates, primarily from the change in the British pound and European Union euro to U.S. dollar exchange rates, the growth in International of \$16.0 million was primarily the result of higher average auction selling prices, partially offset by a decrease in volume. The increase in the U.S. was primarily the result of increased volume partially driven by higher average auction selling prices, which we believe was due to a change in the mix of vehicles sold and higher commodity prices.

The decrease in vehicle sales for fiscal 2017 of \$2.3 million, or 1.4% as compared to fiscal 2016 came from (i) a decrease in International of \$9.1 million, partially offset by (ii) an increase in in the U.S. of \$6.7 million. Excluding a \$13.9 million detrimental impact due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates, primarily from the change in the British pound to U.S. dollar exchange rate, the growth in International of \$4.8 million was primarily the result of increased volume. The increase in the U.S. was primarily the result of higher average auction selling prices, which we believe was due to higher commodity prices and a change in the mix of vehicles sold, partially offset by a shift in volume for certain sellers from principal to agency business.

The following table presents a comparison of yard operations expense for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016:

		Y	ear I	Ended July 3	31,			2018 vs	. 2017	2017 vs. 2016			
(In thousands)	2018			2017	2016		Change		% Change	Change		% Change	
Yard operations expenses													
United States	\$	730,865	\$	585,587	\$	494,146	\$	145,278	24.8%	\$	91,441	18.5%	
International		116,003		92,814		88,758		23,189	25.0%		4,056	4.6%	
Total yard operations expenses	\$	846,868	\$	678,401	\$	582,904	\$	168,467	24.8%	\$	95,497	16.4%	
Yard operations expenses, excluding depreciation and amortization													
United States	\$	683,079	\$	553,329	\$	468,528	\$	129,750	23.4%	\$	84,801	18.1%	
International		106,559		85,117		80,718		21,442	25.2%		4,399	5.4%	
Yard depreciation and amortization													
United States	\$	47,786	\$	32,258	\$	25,618	\$	15,528	48.1%	\$	6,640	25.9%	
International		9,444		7,697		8,040		1,747	22.7%		(343)	(4.3)%	

Yard Operations Expenses. The increase in yard operations expenses for fiscal 2018 of \$168.5 million, or 24.8% as compared to fiscal 2017 resulted from (i) an increase in the U.S. of \$145.3 million, primarily from growth in volume; a marginal increase in the cost to process each car; and a \$15.5 million increase in depreciation; and (ii) an increase in International of \$23.2 million related primarily to growth in volume; partially offset by the detrimental impact of \$5.8 million due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates, primarily from changes in the British pound and European Union euro to U.S. dollar exchange rate. The increase in the cost to process each car in the U.S. was negatively impacted by abnormal costs of \$68.6 million for temporary storage facilities; premiums for subhaulers; labor costs incurred from overtime; travel and lodging due to the reassignment of employees to the affected region; and equipment lease expenses to handle the increased volume associated with Hurricane Harvey, as the storm produced extraordinary volumes of flood damaged vehicles. These costs do not include normal expenses associated with the increased unit volume created by the hurricane, which are deferred until the sale of the units and are recognized as vehicle pooling costs on the balance sheet. Included in yard operations expenses were depreciation and amortization expenses. The increase in yard operations depreciation and amortization expenses resulted primarily from depreciating new and expanded facilities and certain technology assets placed into service in the U.S. and International locations as well as changes to the useful lives of certain fixed assets.

The increase in yard operations expenses for fiscal 2017 of \$95.5 million, or 16.4% as compared to fiscal 2016 resulted from (i) an increase in the U.S. of \$91.4 million, primarily from growth in volume and a marginal increase in the cost to process each car; and (ii) an increase in International of \$4.1 million related primarily to growth in volume; partially offset by the beneficial impact of \$9.1 million due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates, primarily from changes in the British pound to U.S. dollar exchange rate. Included in yard operations expenses were depreciation and amortization expenses. The increase in yard operations depreciation and amortization expenses resulted primarily from depreciating new and expanded facilities and certain technology assets placed into service in the U.S.

The following table presents a comparison of cost of vehicle sales for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016:

	Y	ear I	Ended July 3	31,		2018 vs. 2017				2017 vs. 2016			
(In thousands)	2018		2017		2016	_	Change	% Change		Change	% Change		
Cost of vehicle sales													
United States	\$ 101,130	\$	61,484	\$	55,866	\$	39,646	64.5%	\$	5,618	10.1%		
International	95,331		76,068		85,093		19,263	25.3%		(9,025)	(10.6)%		
Total cost of vehicle sales	\$ 196,461	\$	137,552	\$	140,959	\$	58,909	42.8%	\$	(3,407)	(2.4)%		

Cost of Vehicle Sales. The increase in cost of vehicle sales for fiscal 2018 of \$58.9 million, or 42.8% as compared to fiscal 2017 was the result of (i) an increase in the U.S. of \$39.6 million and (ii) an increase in International of \$19.3 million. Excluding the detrimental impact of \$6.3 million due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates, primarily from changes in the British pound and European euro to U.S. dollar exchange rate, the increase in International of \$13.0 million was primarily the result of increased volume. The increase in the U.S. was primarily the result of increased volume partially driven by acquisitions and higher average purchase prices, which we believe is due to higher commodity prices and a change in the mix of vehicles sold.

The decrease in cost of vehicle sales for fiscal 2017 of \$3.4 million, or 2.4% as compared to fiscal 2016 was the result of (i) a decrease in International of \$9.0 million; partially offset by and (ii) an increase in the U.S. of \$5.6 million. Excluding the beneficial impact of \$10.4 million due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates, primarily from changes in the British pound to U.S. dollar exchange rate, the increase in International of \$1.4 million was primarily the result of increased volume. The increase in the U.S. was primarily the result of higher average purchase prices, which we believe is due to higher commodity prices and a change in the mix of vehicles sold; partially offset by a shift in volume for certain sellers from principal to agency business.

The following table presents a comparison of general and administrative expenses for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016:

	Year Ended July 31,						2018 vs. 2017				2017 vs. 2016		
(In thousands)		2018		2017		2016		Change	% Change	_	Change	% Change	
General and administrative expenses													
United States	\$	144,140	\$	130,392	\$	118,315	\$	13,748	10.5%	\$	12,077	10.2%	
International		32,750		20,972		19,801		11,778	56.2%		1,171	5.9%	
Total general and administrative expenses	\$	176,890	\$	151,364	\$	138,116	\$	25,526	16.9%	\$	13,248	9.6%	
General and administrative expenses, excluding depreciation and amortization													
United States	\$	124,147	\$	115,143	\$	104,850	\$	9,004	7.8%	\$	10,293	9.8%	
International		31,375		19,176		18,349		12,199	63.6%		827	4.5%	
General and administrative depreciation and amortization													
United States	\$	19,993	\$	15,249	\$	13,465	\$	4,744	31.1%	\$	1,784	13.2%	
International		1,375		1,796		1,452		(421)	(23.4)%		344	23.7%	

General and Administrative Expenses. The increase in general and administrative expenses for fiscal 2018 of \$25.5 million, or 16.9% as compared to fiscal 2017 came primarily from an increase in the U.S. of \$13.7 million, and an increase in International of \$11.8 million, primarily from the impact of payroll taxes from the exercise of employee stock options. Excluding depreciation and amortization, the increase in the U.S. of \$9.0 million resulted due to the acquisition of Cycle Express, LLC, and litigation costs partially offset by a decrease in payroll taxes from the exercise of employee stock options. The increase in depreciation and amortization expenses for fiscal 2018 as compared to fiscal 2017 came primarily from depreciating certain technology assets placed into service in the U.S. See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Note 2 — Acquisitions*.

The increase in general and administrative expenses for fiscal 2017 of \$13.2 million, or 9.6% as compared to fiscal 2016 came primarily from an increase in the U.S. of \$12.1 million, and an increase in International of \$1.2 million. Excluding depreciation and amortization, the increase in the U.S. of \$10.3 million resulted primarily from the impact of payroll taxes from the exercise of employee stock options, an increase in professional services expenses, acquisition-related expenses, and charges related to sales tax and franchise tax adjustments. The increase in depreciation and amortization expenses for fiscal 2017 as compared to fiscal 2016 came primarily from depreciating certain technology assets placed into service in the U.S.

The following table summarizes impairment, total other expenses and income taxes for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016:

	Year Ended July 31,					2018 vs. 2017				2017 vs. 2016		
(In thousands)	2018		2017		2016		Change	% Change		Change	% Change	
Impairment	\$ 1,131	\$	19,365	\$	_	\$	(18,234)	(94.2)%	\$	19,365	100.0%	
Total other expenses	(21,834	)	(21,199)		(10,605)		(635)	(3.0)%		(10,594)	(99.9)%	
Income taxes	144,504		45,839		125,505		98,665	215.2%		(79,666)	(63.5)%	

**Impairment.** During fiscal 2018, we recognized a \$1.1 million charge primarily related to fully impairing a supply contract in the International segment. During fiscal 2017, we recognized a \$19.4 million charge primarily related to fully impairing costs previously capitalized in connection with the development of business operating software.

**Other (Expense) Income.** The increase in total other expense for fiscal 2018 of \$0.6 million, or 3.0% as compared to fiscal 2017 was primarily due to a decrease in currency gains in International, primarily due to the change in the British pound to U.S. dollar exchange rate and to a decrease in interest expense of \$3.4 million as a result of the paydown of our Revolving Loan Facility.

The increase in total other expense for fiscal 2017 of \$10.6 million, or 99.9% as compared to fiscal 2016 was primarily due to a decrease in currency gains in International, primarily due to the change in the British pound to U.S. dollar exchange rate and a change in the mix of currencies held in cash and cash equivalents.

**Income Taxes.** Our effective income tax rates were 25.7%, 10.4%, and 31.7% for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The tax rates in the prior year were impacted primarily from the result of recognizing excess tax benefits from the exercise of employee stock options of \$21.3 million and \$107.6 million for fiscal years 2018 and 2017, respectively. The current year's effective tax rate was computed based on the reduced blended U.S. federal corporate tax rate of 26.9% for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2018, and included the effects of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("Tax Reform" or "Tax Act"). See *Note 12*—*Income Taxes* for a detailed discussion of the Tax Act.

During the year ended July 31, 2016, we adopted ASU No. 2016-09, *Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting*, which impacted the accounting for share-based payments, including income tax consequences. As a result of the adoption, we recognized excess tax benefits of \$14.7 million as a reduction to tax expense in the consolidated statements of income, as though ASU 2016-09 had been in effect since the beginning of fiscal 2016, instead of reflected in stockholders' equity. The decrease in the effective income tax rate for fiscal 2017 as compared to fiscal 2016 was primarily the result of recognizing excess tax benefits from the exercise of employee stock options of \$107.6 million in fiscal 2017 as compared to \$14.7 million in fiscal 2016, and the geographical allocation of our taxable income.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

The following table presents a comparison of key components of our liquidity and capital resources for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016, excluding additional funds available to us through our Revolving Loan Facility:

_	July 31,			2018 vs.	2017	2017 vs. 2016		
(In thousands)	2018	2017	2016	Change	% Change	Change	% Change	
Cash and cash equivalents \$	274,520 \$	210,100 \$	155,849 \$	64,420	30.7% \$	54,251	34.8%	
Working capital	431,860	285,108	220,523	146,752	51.5%	64,585	29.3%	

	rear	Ended July 31,		2010 VS.	2017	2017 VS. 2010			
(In thousands)	2018	2017	2016	Change	% Change	Change	% Change		
Operating cash flows \$	535,069 \$	492,058 \$	332,498 \$	43,011	8.7% \$	159,560	48.0%		
Investing cash flows	(288,476)	(335,791)	(172,876)	47,315	14.1%	(162,915)	(94.2)%		
Financing cash flows	(182,038)	(106,975)	(448,496)	(75,063)	(70.2)%	341,521	76.1%		
Capital expenditures, excluding acquisitions \$	(287,910) \$	(172,178) \$	(173,917) \$	(115,732)	(67.2)% \$	1,739	1.0%		
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(8,787)	(160,812)	_	152,025	94.5%	(160,812)	(100.0)%		
Net (repayments) proceeds on revolving loan facility	(231,000)	(7,000)	238,000	(224,000)	(3,200.0)%	(245,000)	(102.9)%		
Principal payments on long-term debt	_	_	(337,500)	_	%	(337,500)	(100.0)%		

Vear Ended July 31

2017 vs 2016

2018 vs 2017

Cash and cash equivalents and working capital increased at July 31, 2018 as compared July 31, 2017 primarily due to cash generated from operations and a decrease in payments for employee stock-based tax withholdings, and proceeds from the exercise of stock options, partially offset by a net repayments on our Revolving Loan Facility and a decline in cash used for acquisitions. Cash equivalents consisted of bank deposits, domestic certificates of deposit, and funds invested in money market accounts, which bear interest at variable rates. Cash and cash equivalents decreased at July 31, 2017 as compared to July 31, 2016 primarily due to repurchases of common stock as part of our tender offer and stock repurchase program, capital expenditures, and payments on long-term debt, partially offset by cash generated from operations and proceeds from our Revolving Loan Facility. Working capital increased at July 31, 2017 as compared to July 31, 2016 primarily due to cash generated from operations and proceeds from our Revolving Loan Facility, partially offset by repurchases of common stock as part of our tender offer and stock repurchase program, capital expenditures, payments on long-term debt and changes in operating assets.

Historically, we have financed our growth through cash generated from operations, public offerings of common stock, equity issued in conjunction with certain acquisitions and debt financing. Our primary source of cash generated by operations is from the collection of sellers' fees, members' fees and reimbursable advances from the proceeds of vehicle sales. We expect to continue to use cash flows from operations to finance our working capital needs and to develop and grow our business. In addition to our stock repurchase program, we are considering a variety of alternative potential uses for our remaining cash balances and our cash flows from operations. These alternative potential uses include additional stock repurchases, repayments of long-term debt, the payment of dividends, and acquisitions. For further detail, see Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, Note 8 — Long-Term Debt and Note 11 — Stockholders' Equity and under the subheadings "Credit Agreement" and "Note Purchase Agreement" below.

Our business is seasonal as inclement weather during the winter months increases the frequency of accidents and consequently, the number of cars involved in accidents which the insurance companies salvage rather than repair. During the winter months, most of our facilities process 10% to 30% more vehicles than at other times of the year. This increased volume requires the increased use of our cash to pay out advances and handling costs of the additional business.

We believe that our currently available cash and cash equivalents and cash generated from operations will be sufficient to satisfy our operating and working capital requirements for at least the next 12 months. We expect to acquire or develop additional locations and expand some of our current facilities in the foreseeable future. We may be required to raise additional cash through drawdowns on our Revolving Loan Facility or issuance of additional equity to fund this expansion. Although the timing and magnitude of growth through expansion and acquisitions are not predictable, the opening of new greenfield yards is contingent upon our ability to locate property that (i) is in an area in which we have a need for more capacity; (ii) has adequate size given the capacity needs; (iii) has the appropriate shape and topography for our operations; (iv) is reasonably close to a major road or highway; and (v) most importantly, has the appropriate zoning for our business. Costs to develop a new yard can range from \$3.0 to \$50.0 million, depending on size, location and developmental infrastructure requirements.

As of July 31, 2018, \$115.5 million of the \$274.5 million of cash and cash equivalents was held by our foreign subsidiaries. If these funds are needed for our operations in the U.S. the repatriation of these funds could still be subject to the foreign withholding tax related to the U.S. Tax Reform and the mandatory Transition Tax, which is imposed on the post-1986 undistributed foreign earnings and profits. However, our intent is to permanently reinvest these funds outside of the U.S. and our current plans do not require repatriation to fund our U.S. operations.

Net cash used in operating activities increased for fiscal 2018 as compared to fiscal 2017 due to improved cash operating results from an increase in service revenues and lower asset impairments, partially offset by an increase in yard operations and general and administrative expenses, and changes in operating assets and liabilities. The change in operating assets and liabilities was primarily the result of an increase in accounts payable of \$49.1 million, partially offset by a decrease in income taxes receivable of \$21.3 million, and a decrease in inventory and vehicle pooling costs of \$6.7 million.

Net cash used in operating activities increased for fiscal 2017 as compared to fiscal 2016 due to improved cash operating results from an increase in service revenues, partially offset by an increase in yard operations and general and administrative expenses, an impairment of previously capitalized software development assets, and changes in operating assets and liabilities. The change in operating assets and liabilities was primarily the result of a decrease in accounts payable of \$44.1 million, an increase in income taxes receivable of \$25.0 million, an increase in accounts receivable of \$15.7 million, and a decrease in other assets of \$3.1 million.

Net cash used in investing activities decreased for fiscal 2018 as compared to fiscal 2017 due primarily to a decline in acquisitions and proceeds from the sale of assets, including the majority-owned subsidiary, partially offset by increases in capital expenditures. We acquired Autovahinkokeskus Oy (AVK), a salvage auto auction company based in Finland. AVK currently operates facilities in the municipalities of Espoo; Pirkkala; Oulu; and Turku, Finland. See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Note 2 — Acquisitions*. Our capital expenditures are primarily related to lease buyouts of certain facilities, opening and improving facilities, software development, and acquiring yard equipment. We continue to expand and invest in new and existing facilities and standardize the appearance of existing locations. We have no material non-cancelable commitments for future capital expenditures as of July 31, 2018. Included in capital expenditures were capitalized software development costs for new software for internal use and major software enhancements to existing software. Capitalized software development costs were \$7.4 million, \$7.1 million and \$14.1 million for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. If, at any time it is determined that capitalized software provides a reduced economic benefit, the unamortized portion of the capitalized development costs will be impaired. Additionally, during fiscal 2017, we recognized a \$19.4 million charge primarily related to fully impairing costs previously capitalized in connection with the development of business operating software. See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Capitalized Software Costs in Note 1 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*.

Net cash used in investing activities increased for fiscal 2017 as compared to fiscal 2016 due primarily to acquisitions, partially offset by a decline in capital expenditures. We acquired Cycle Express, LLC, which conducts business primarily as National Powersport Auctions (NPA), a leading non-salvage auction platform for motorcycles, snowmobiles, watercraft and other powersports vehicles. NPA currently operates facilities in Atlanta, Georgia; Cincinnati, Ohio; Dallas, Texas; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and San Diego, California. We also acquired the assets of an excavation company, which engages in earthwork, soil stabilization, equipment hauling, and erosion control commercial contractor services. The aggregate purchase price of these acquisitions totaled \$160.7 million, net of cash acquired. See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Note 2 — Acquisitions*. Included in capital expenditures were capitalized software development costs for new software for internal use and major software enhancements to existing software.

Net cash used in financing activities increased in fiscal 2018 as compared to fiscal 2017 primarily due net repayments on our revolving loan facility, partially offset by reduced payments for employee stock-based tax withholdings and an increase in proceeds from the exercise of stock options. For further detail, see Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Note 11 — Stockholders' Equity.* 

Net cash used in financing activities increased in fiscal 2017 as compared to fiscal 2016 primarily due to a decrease in repurchases of our common stock as part of our tender offers and stock repurchase program as discussed in further detail under the subheading "*Stock Repurchases*", and an increase in proceeds from the exercise of stock options, partially offset by payments for employee stock-based tax withholdings. For further detail, see Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Note 11 — Stockholders' Equity.* 

#### Stock Repurchases

On September 22, 2011, our Board of Directors approved an 80 million share increase in the stock repurchase program, bringing the total current authorization to 196 million shares. The repurchases may be effected through solicited or unsolicited transactions in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. No time limit has been placed on the duration of the stock repurchase program. Subject to applicable securities laws, such repurchases will be made at such times and in such amounts as we deem appropriate and may be discontinued at any time. For fiscal 2018 and 2017, we did not repurchase any shares of our common stock under the program. For fiscal 2016, we repurchased 5,877,038 shares of our common stock at a weighted average price of \$20.065 per share totaling \$117.9 million. As of July 31, 2018, the total number of shares repurchased under the program was 106,913,602 and 89,086,398 shares were available for repurchase under our program.

On December 30, 2015, we completed a modified "Dutch Auction" tender offer, or tender offer, to purchase up to 14,634,146 shares of our common stock at a price not greater than \$20.50 nor less than \$19.00 per share. In connection with the tender offer, we accepted for payment an aggregate of 16,666,666 shares of our common stock at a purchase price of \$19.50 per share for a total value of \$325.0 million. Our directors and executive officers did not participate in the tender offers. The shares purchased as a result of the tender offers were not part of our stock repurchase program.

During fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016, certain executive officers, members of the Company's Board of Directors and other employees exercised stock options through cashless exercises. A portion of the options exercised were net settled in satisfaction of the exercise price and federal and state statutory tax withholding requirements. We remitted \$134.6 million and \$15.0 million for the years ended July 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, to the proper taxing authorities in satisfaction of the employees' statutory withholding requirements.

The exercised stock options, utilizing a cashless exercise, are summarized in the following table:

<u>Period</u>	Options Exercised	Weighted Average Exercise Price		Shares Net Settled for Exercise	Shares Withheld for Taxes <sup>(1)</sup>	Net Shares to Employees	Weighted Average Share Price for Withholding		Stock Based Tax Withholding (in 000s)	
FY 2016—Q4	2,260,000	\$	9.32	821,296	586,304	852,400	\$	25.65	\$	15,039
FY 2017—Q1	18,000,000		7.70	5,408,972	5,255,322	7,335,706		25.62		134,615
FY 2018—Q2	80,000		6.54	11,996	_	68,004		43.60		_

Employee

<sup>(1)</sup> Shares withheld for taxes are treated as a repurchase of shares for accounting purposes but do not count against our stock repurchase program.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

We lease certain domestic and foreign facilities, and certain equipment under non-cancelable operating leases. In addition to the minimum future lease commitments presented, the leases generally require us to pay property taxes, insurance, maintenance and repair costs which are not included in the table because we have determined these items are not material. The following table summarizes our significant contractual obligations and commercial commitments as of July 31, 2018:

	Payments Due by Fiscal Year							
(In thousands) Contractual Obligations	Less than 1 year	1-3 Years	3–5 Years	More than 5 Years	Other	Total		
Long-term debt, revolving loan facility, including current portion <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ —	\$ —	\$	\$ 400,000	\$ - \$	400,000		
Interest payments on long-term debt, revolving loan facility, including current portion <sup>(1)</sup>	17,901	35,776	33,720	65,361	_	152,758		
Operating leases <sup>(2)</sup>	29,773	40,986	25,462	54,068		150,289		
Capital leases <sup>(2)</sup>	966	43	_	_	_	1,009		
Tax liabilities <sup>(3)</sup>					27,277	27,277		
Total contractual obligations	\$ 48,640	\$ 76,805	\$ 59,182	\$ 519,429	\$ 27,277 \$	731,333		

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	Less than			More than					
Commercial Commitments <sup>(4)</sup>	1 year	1-3 Years	3-5 Years	5 Years	Other	Total			
Letters of Credit	17.276	s —	<u>s</u>	<u>s</u>	<u>s</u>	\$ 17.276			

Amount of Commitment Expiration Per Period

- (1) Revolving loan facility payments of zero and related interest payments reflect management's intent for the use of the Revolving Loan Facility, which may change on a quarter by quarter basis.
- (2) Contractual obligations consist of future non-cancelable minimum lease payments under capital and operating leases, used in the normal course of business.
- (3) Tax liabilities include the long-term liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet for unrecognized tax positions. At this time, we are unable to make a reasonably reliable estimate of the timing of payments in individual years beyond 12 months due to uncertainties in the timing of tax audit outcomes.
- (4) Commercial commitments consist primarily of letters of credit provided for insurance programs and certain business transactions.

## Credit Agreement

On December 3, 2014, we entered into a Credit Agreement (as amended from time to time, the "Credit Amendment") with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent, and Bank of America, N.A., as syndication agent. The Credit Agreement provided for (a) a secured revolving loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$300.0 million (the "Revolving Loan Facility"), and (b) a secured term loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$300.0 million (the "Term Loan"), which was fully drawn at closing. The Term Loan amortized \$18.8 million per quarter.

On March 15, 2016, we entered into a First Amendment to Credit Agreement (the "Amendment to Credit Agreement") with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent and Bank of America, N.A. The Amendment to Credit Agreement amended certain terms of the Credit Agreement, dated as of December 3, 2014. The Amendment to Credit Agreement provided for (a) an increase in the secured revolving credit commitments by \$50.0 million, bringing the aggregate principal amount of the revolving credit commitments under the Credit Agreement to \$350.0 million, (b) a new secured term loan (the "Incremental Term Loan") in the aggregate principal amount of \$93.8 million having a maturity date of March 15, 2021, and (c) an extension of the termination date of the Revolving Loan Facility and the maturity date of the Term Loan from December 3, 2019 to March 15, 2021. The Amendment to Credit Agreement extended the amortization period for the Term Loan, and decreased the quarterly amortization payments for that loan to \$7.5 million per quarter. The Amendment to Credit Agreement additionally reduced the pricing levels under the Credit Agreement to a range of 0.15% to 0.30% in the case of the commitment fee, 1.125% to 2.0% in the case of the applicable margin for LIBOR loans, and 0.125% to 1.0% in the case of the

applicable margin for base rate loans, based on our consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter. We borrowed the entire \$93.8 million principal amount of the Incremental Term Loan concurrent with the closing of the Amendment to Credit Agreement.

On July 21, 2016, we entered into a Second Amendment to Credit Agreement (the "Second Amendment to Credit Agreement") with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, SunTrust Bank, and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent (as successor in interest to Wells Fargo Bank). The Second Amendment to Credit Agreement amends certain terms of the Credit Agreement, dated as of December 3, 2014 as amended by the Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of March 15, 2016. The Second Amendment to Credit Agreement provides for, among other things, (a) an increase in the secured revolving credit commitments by \$500.0 million, bringing the aggregate principal amount of the revolving credit commitments under the Credit Agreement to \$850.0 million, (b) the repayment of existing term loans outstanding under the Credit Agreement, (c) an extension of the termination date of the revolving credit facility under the Credit Agreement from March 15, 2021 to July 21, 2021, and (d) increased covenant flexibility.

Concurrent with the closing of the Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, we prepaid in full the outstanding \$242.5 million principal amount of the Term Loan and Incremental Term Loan under the Credit Agreement without premium or penalty. The Second Amendment to Credit Agreement reduced the pricing levels under the Credit Agreement to a range of 0.125% to 0.20% in the case of the commitment fee, 1.00% to 1.75% in the case of the applicable margin for LIBOR loans, and 0.0% to 0.75% in the case of the applicable margin for base rate loans, in each case depending on our consolidated total net leverage ratio. The principal purposes of these financing transactions were to increase the size and availability under our Revolving Loan Facility and to provide additional long-term financing. The proceeds are being used for general corporate purposes, including working capital and capital expenditures, potential share repurchases, acquisitions, or other investments relating to our expansion strategies in domestic and international markets.

The Revolving Loan Facility under the Credit Agreement bears interest, at our election, at either (a) the Base Rate, which is defined as a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the greatest of (i) the Prime Rate in effect on such day; (ii) the Federal Funds Rate in effect on such date plus 0.50%; or (iii) an adjusted LIBOR rate determined on the basis of a one-month interest period plus 1.0%, in each case plus an applicable margin ranging from 0.0% to 0.75% based on our consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter; or (b) an adjusted LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin ranging from 1.00% to 1.75% depending on our consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter. Interest is due and payable quarterly, in arrears, for loans bearing interest at the Base Rate, and at the end of an interest period (or at each three month interval in the case of loans with interest periods greater than three months) in the case of loans bearing interest at the adjusted LIBOR rate. The interest rate as of July 31, 2018 on our Revolving Loan Facility was the one month LIBOR rate of 2.09% plus an applicable margin of 1.00%. The carrying amount of the Credit Agreement is comprised of borrowings under which interest accrues under a fluctuating interest rate structure. Accordingly, the carrying value approximates fair value at July 31, 2018, and was classified within Level II of the fair value hierarchy.

Amounts borrowed under the Revolving Loan Facility may be repaid and reborrowed until the maturity date of July 21, 2021. We are obligated to pay a commitment fee on the unused portion of the Revolving Loan Facility. The commitment fee rate ranges from 0.125% to 0.20%, depending on our consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter, on the average daily unused portion of the revolving credit commitment under the Credit Agreement. We had no outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Loan Facility as of July 31, 2018. We had \$231.0 million of outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Loan Facility as of July 31, 2017.

Our obligations under the Credit Agreement are guaranteed by certain of our domestic subsidiaries meeting materiality thresholds set forth in the Credit Agreement. Such obligations, including the guaranties, are secured by substantially all of our assets and the assets of the subsidiary guarantors pursuant to a Security Agreement, dated December 3, 2014, among us, the subsidiary guarantors from time to time party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as collateral agent.

The Credit Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants, including covenants that limit or restrict us and our subsidiaries' ability to, among other things, incur indebtedness, grant liens, merge or consolidate, dispose of assets, make investments, make acquisitions, enter into transactions with affiliates, pay dividends, or make distributions on and repurchase stock, in each case subject to certain exceptions. We are also required to maintain compliance, measured at the

end of each fiscal quarter, with a consolidated total net leverage ratio and a consolidated interest coverage ratio. The Credit Agreement contains no restrictions on the payment of dividends and other restricted payments, as defined, as long as (1) the consolidated total net leverage ratio, as defined, both before and after giving effect to any such dividend or restricted payment on a pro forma basis, is less than 3.25:1, in an unlimited amount, (2) if clause (1) is not available, so long as the consolidated total net leverage ratio both before and after giving effect to any such dividend on a pro forma basis is less than 3.50:1, in an aggregate amount not to exceed the available amount, as defined, and (3) if clauses (1) and (2) are not available, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$50.0 million; provided, that, minimum liquidity, as defined, shall be not less than \$75.0 million both before and after giving effect to any such dividend or restricted payment. As of July 31, 2018, the consolidated total net leverage ratio was 0.21:1. Minimum liquidity as of July 31, 2018 was \$1.1 billion. Accordingly, we do not believe that the provisions of the Credit Agreement represent a significant restriction to our ability to pay dividends or to the successful future operations of the business. We have not paid a cash dividend since becoming a public company in 1994. We were in compliance with all covenants related to the Credit Agreement as of July 31, 2018.

#### Note Purchase Agreement

On December 3, 2014, we entered into a Note Purchase Agreement and sold to certain purchasers (collectively, the "Purchasers") \$400.0 million in aggregate principal amount of senior secured notes (the "Senior Notes") consisting of (i) \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.07% Senior Notes, Series A, due December 3, 2024; (ii) \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.19% Senior Notes, Series B, due December 3, 2026; (iii) \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.25% Senior Notes, Series C, due December 3, 2027; and (iv) \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.35% Senior Notes, Series D, due December 3, 2029. Interest is due and payable quarterly, in arrears, on each of the Senior Notes. Proceeds from the Note Purchase Agreement are being used for general corporate purposes.

On July 21, 2016, we entered into Amendment No. 1 to Note Purchase Agreement (the "First Amendment to Note Purchase Agreement") which amended certain terms of the Note Purchase Agreement, including providing for increased flexibility substantially consistent with the changes included in the Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, including among other things increased covenant flexibility.

We may prepay the Senior Notes, in whole or in part, at any time, subject to certain conditions, including minimum amounts and payment of a make-whole amount equal to the discounted value of the remaining scheduled interest payments under the Senior Notes.

Our obligations under the Note Purchase Agreement are guaranteed by certain of our domestic subsidiaries meeting materiality thresholds set forth in the Note Purchase Agreement. Such obligations, including the guaranties, are secured by substantially all of our assets and the assets of the subsidiary guarantors. Our obligations and our subsidiary guarantors under the Note Purchase Agreement will be treated on a pari passu basis with the obligations of those entities under the Credit Agreement as well as any additional debt that we may obtain.

The Note Purchase Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants, including covenants that limit or restrict us and our subsidiaries' ability to, among other things, incur indebtedness, grant liens, merge or consolidate, dispose of assets, make investments, make acquisitions, enter into transactions with affiliates, pay dividends, or make distributions and repurchase stock, in each case subject to certain exceptions. We are also required to maintain compliance, measured at the end of each fiscal quarter, with a consolidated total net leverage ratio and a consolidated interest coverage ratio. The Note Purchase Agreement contains no restrictions on the payment of dividends and other restricted payments, as defined, as long as (1) the consolidated total net leverage ratio, as defined, both before and after giving effect to any such dividend or restricted payment on a pro forma basis, is less than 3.25:1, in an unlimited amount, (2) if clause (1) is not available, so long as the consolidated total net leverage ratio both before and after giving effect to any such dividend on a pro forma basis is less than 3.50:1, in an aggregate amount not to exceed the available amount, as defined, and (3) if clauses (1) and (2) are not available, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$50.0 million; provided, that, minimum liquidity, as defined, shall be not less than \$75.0 million both before and after giving effect to any such dividend or restricted payment. As of July 31, 2018, the consolidated total net leverage ratio was 0.21:1. Minimum liquidity as of July 31, 2018 was \$1.1 billion. Accordingly, we do not

believe that the provisions of the Note Purchase Agreement represent a significant restriction to our ability to pay dividends or to the successful future operations of the business. We have not paid a cash dividend since becoming a public company in 1994. We are in compliance with all covenants related to the Note Purchase Agreement as of July 31, 2018.

Related to the execution of the Credit Agreement, First Amendment to Credit Agreement, Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, and the Note Purchase Agreement, we incurred \$3.4 million in costs, of which \$2.0 million was capitalized as debt issuance fees and \$1.4 million was recorded as a reduction of the long-term debt proceeds as a debt discount. During the year ended July 31, 2016, we recognized an expense of \$0.6 million for prior capitalized costs into interest expense relating to the Second Amendment to Credit Agreement and payoff of the outstanding Term Loans. Both the debt issuance fees and debt discount are amortized to interest expense over the term of the respective debt instruments and are classified as reductions of the outstanding liability.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

As of July 31, 2018, we had no off-balance sheet arrangements pursuant to Item 303(a)(4) of Regulation S-K promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

# **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

The preparation of consolidated financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and the related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates, including costs related to vehicle pooling, self-insured reserves, allowance for doubtful accounts, income taxes, revenue recognition, stock-based payment compensation, purchase price allocations, long-lived asset impairment calculations and contingencies. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe are reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying value of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Management has discussed the selection of critical accounting policies and estimates with the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee has reviewed our disclosure relating to critical accounting policies and estimates in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Our significant accounting policies are described in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Note 1 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*. The following is a summary of the more significant judgments and estimates included in our critical accounting policies used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements. We discuss, where appropriate, sensitivity to change based on other outcomes reasonably likely to occur.

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and related Notes in Part I., "Financial Statements."

#### **Revenue Recognition**

We provide a portfolio of services to our sellers and buyers that facilitate the sale and delivery of a vehicle from seller to buyer. These services include the ability to use our internet sales technology and vehicle delivery, loading, title processing, preparation and storage. We evaluate multiple-element arrangements relative to our member and seller agreements.

The services we provide to the seller of a vehicle involve disposing of a vehicle on the seller's behalf and, under most of our current contracts, collecting the proceeds from the member. Pre-sale services, including towing, title processing, preparation and storage, as well as sale fees and other enhancement service fees meet the criteria for separate units of accounting. The revenue associated with each service is recognized upon completion of the respective service, net of applicable rebates or allowances. For certain sellers who are charged a proportionate fee based on high bid of the vehicle, the revenue associated with the pre-sale services is recognized upon completion of the sale when the total arrangement is fixed and determinable. The selling price of each service is determined based on management's best estimate and is allotted based on the relative selling price method.

Vehicle sales, where vehicles are purchased and remarketed on our own behalf, are recognized on the sale date, which is typically the point of high bid acceptance. Upon high bid acceptance, a legally binding contract is formed with the member, and we record the gross sales price as revenue.

We also provide a number of services to the buyer of the vehicle, charging a separate fee for each service. Each of these services has been assessed to determine whether we have met the requirements to separate them into units of accounting within a multiple-element arrangement. We have concluded that the sale and the post-sale services are separate units of accounting.

The fees for sale services are recognized upon completion of the sale. The fees for the post-sale services are recognized upon successful completion of those services using the relative selling price method.

We also charge members an annual registration fee for the right to participate in our vehicle sales program, which is recognized ratably over the term of the arrangement, and relist and late-payment fees, which are recognized upon receipt of payment by the member. No provision for returns has been established, as all sales are final with no right of return, although we provide for bad debt expense in the case of non-performance by our members or sellers.

We allocate arrangement consideration based on the relative estimated selling prices of the separate units of accounting containing multiple deliverables. Estimated selling prices are determined using management's best estimate. Significant inputs in our estimates of the selling price of separate units of accounting include market and pricing trends, pricing customization and practices, and profit objectives for the services.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*, which supersedes the revenue recognition requirements in ASC 605, *Revenue Recognition*. ASU 2014-09 is based on the principle that revenue is recognized to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. ASU 2014-09 also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. ASU 2014-09 is effective for annual and interim periods within those annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017 and will be effective beginning with the first quarter of fiscal year 2019. ASU 2014-09 allows adoption with either retrospective application to each period presented, or modified retrospective application, with the cumulative effect recognized as of the date of initial application. We will use the modified retrospective application with the cumulative effect as its transition method.

Upon adoption, service revenue (revenue from buyers and sellers) and vehicle sales revenue will generally be recognized at the date the vehicles are sold at auction. This timing of revenue recognition under ASU 2014-09 is consistent with our current policy under ASC 605 for buyer and vehicle sales revenue. However, the adoption represents a change in the timing of revenue recognition for certain seller revenues, such as inbound tow and titling fees, which are currently recognized under ASC 605 when the services are performed. Related costs to prepare the vehicles for auction, including inbound tow and titling, will be deferred and recognized at the time of revenue recognition. We have evaluated the impact the adoption will have on the consolidated financial statements, and we are finalizing the calculation of our cumulative effect adjustment. This change will result in a decrease to beginning retained earnings as of August 1, 2018, within a range of \$10.0 million to \$15.0 million as a result of the initial application of the standard and will not have a material impact to earnings.

## Fair Value of Financial Instruments

We record our financial assets and liabilities at fair value in accordance with the framework for measuring fair value in U.S. GAAP. In accordance with ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, as amended by Accounting Standards Update 2011-04, we consider fair value as an exit price, representing the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants under current market conditions. This framework establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value:

Level I Observable inputs that reflect unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities traded in active markets.

- Level II Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level I that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Interest rate hedges are valued at exit prices obtained from the counter-party.
- Level III Inputs that are generally unobservable. These inputs may be used with internally developed methodologies that result in management's best estimate.

The amounts recorded for financial instruments in our consolidated financial statements, which included cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair values for fiscal 2018 and 2017 due to the short-term nature of those instruments, and are classified within Level II of the fair value hierarchy. Cash equivalents are classified within Level II of the fair value hierarchy because they are valued using quoted market prices of the underlying investments. See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Note 8 — Long-Term Debt* for additional fair value disclosures.

## **Vehicle Pooling Costs**

We defer in vehicle pooling costs certain yard operation expenses associated with vehicles consigned to and received by us, but not sold as of the balance sheet date. We quantify the deferred costs using a calculation that includes the number of vehicles at our facilities at the beginning and end of the period, the number of vehicles sold during the period and an allocation of certain yard operation expenses of the period. The primary expenses allocated and deferred are certain facility costs, labor, and vehicle processing. If our allocation factors change, then yard operation expenses could increase or decrease correspondingly in the future. These costs are expensed as vehicles are sold in subsequent periods on an average cost basis. Given the fixed cost nature of our business, there is not a direct correlation for an increase in expenses or units processed on vehicle pooling costs.

We apply the provisions of accounting guidance for subsequent measurement of inventory to our vehicle pooling costs. The provision requires that items such as idle facility expense, double freight and rehandling costs be recognized as current period charges, regardless of whether they meet the criteria of "abnormal" as provided in the guidance. In addition, the guidance requires that the allocation of fixed production overhead to the costs of conversion be based on the normal capacity of production facilities.

#### **Capitalized Software Costs**

We capitalize system development costs and website development costs related to our enterprise computing services during the application development stage. Costs related to preliminary project activities and post implementation activities are expensed as incurred. Internal-use software is amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life, generally three years. Management evaluates the useful lives of these assets on an annual basis and tests for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances occur that could impact the recoverability of these assets. Total gross capitalized software as of July 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$30.7 million and \$38.5 million, respectively. Accumulated amortization expense related to software as of July 31, 2018 and 2017 totaled \$16.0 million and \$25.7 million, respectively. During the year ended July 31, 2016, we retired fully amortized capitalized software of \$29.8 million, which were no longer being utilized. Additionally, during fiscal 2017, we recognized a \$19.4 million charge primarily related to fully impairing costs previously capitalized in connection with the development of business operating software.

#### Valuation of Goodwill

We evaluate the impairment of goodwill for our reporting units annually or on an interim basis if certain indicators are present, either through a quantitative or qualitative analysis. We have historically evaluated goodwill for impairment annually as of the end of the fourth quarter, or when an indicator of impairment exists. During the year ended July 31, 2017, we voluntarily changed the date of our annual goodwill impairment assessment for our reporting units from the end of fiscal fourth quarter, July 31, to the beginning of fiscal fourth quarter, May 1. This voluntary change in the annual goodwill assessment date is a change in accounting principle, which we believe is preferable as it more closely aligns the timing of the annual goodwill impairment assessment date with the most current information from our planning and forecasting process and also provides us with additional time to complete the annual assessment in advance of our year-end reporting. This

change in the annual assessment date does not delay, accelerate, or avoid an impairment charge. This change was not applied retrospectively as it was impracticable to do so because retrospective application would require application of significant estimates and assumptions with the use of hindsight. Accordingly, the change has been applied prospectively.

The annual goodwill impairment analysis, which was performed qualitatively during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018, considered all relevant factors specific to our reporting units, including macroeconomic conditions; industry and market considerations; overall financial performance and relevant entity-specific events. Management considered the above factors noting none involved significant uncertainty. In addition, the industry in which we operate improved over the observable period, and our calculated fair value exceeded carrying value for each reporting unit by a substantial amount in our prior year quantitative analysis, indicating no material risk as of July 31, 2018, with respect to potential goodwill impairments.

#### **Income Taxes and Deferred Tax Assets**

We account for income tax exposures as required under ASC 740, *Income Taxes*. We are subject to income taxes in the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Brazil, Spain, Germany, and other emerging markets around the world. In arriving at a provision of income taxes, we first calculate taxes payable in accordance with the prevailing tax laws in the jurisdictions in which we operate. Then we analyze the timing differences between the financial reporting and tax basis of our assets and liabilities, such as various accruals, depreciation and amortization. The tax effects of the timing difference are presented as deferred tax assets and liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets. We assess the probability that the deferred tax assets will be realized based on our ability to generate future taxable income. In the event that it is more likely than not, the full benefit would not be realized from deferred tax assets, we record a valuation allowance to reduce the carrying value of the deferred tax assets to the amount expected to be realized. As of July 31, 2018, we have \$4.6 million of valuation allowance arising from both our U.S. and International operations. To the extent we establish a valuation allowance or change the amount of valuation allowance in a period, we reflect the change with a corresponding increase or decrease in our income tax provision in the consolidated statements of income.

Historically, our income tax provision has been sufficient to cover our actual income tax liabilities among the jurisdictions in which we operate. Nonetheless, our future effective tax rate could still be adversely affected by several factors, including (i) the geographical allocation of our future earnings; (ii) the change in tax laws or our interpretation of tax laws; (iii) the changes in governing regulations and accounting principles; (iv) the changes in the valuation of our deferred tax assets and liabilities; and (v) the outcome of the income tax examinations. We routinely assess the possibilities of material changes resulting from the aforementioned factors to determine the adequacy of our income tax provision. The repatriation of our accumulated foreign earnings could also affect our effective tax rate, nevertheless, we intend to indefinitely reinvest these earnings in our foreign operations and do not anticipate the need for any of our foreign subsidiaries' cash in the U.S. operations. Accordingly, we do not provide for U.S. federal income and foreign withholding tax on these earnings.

Based on our results for the year ended July 31, 2018, a one percentage adverse change in our provision for income taxes as a percentage of income before taxes would have resulted in an increase in the income tax expense of \$5.6 million.

We recognize and measure uncertain tax positions in accordance with ASC740, *Income Taxes*, pursuant to which we only recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such positions are then measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement. We report a liability for unrecognized tax benefits resulting from uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. ASC740 further requires that a change in judgment related to the expected ultimate resolution of uncertain tax positions be recognized in earnings in the quarter in which such change occurs. We recognize interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense.

We file annual income tax returns in multiple taxing jurisdictions. A number of years may elapse before an uncertain tax position is audited by the relevant tax authorities and finally resolved. While it is often difficult to predict the final outcome or the timing of resolution of any particular uncertain tax position, we believe that our reserves for income taxes reflect the most likely outcome. We adjust these reserves, as well as the related interest, where appropriate in light of changing facts and circumstances. Settlement of any particular position could require the use of cash.

#### **Stock-based Payment Compensation**

We account for our stock-based awards to employees and non-employees using the fair value method. Compensation cost related to stock-based payment transactions are recognized based on the fair value of the equity or liability instruments issued. Determining the fair value of options using the Black-Scholes Merton option pricing model, or other currently accepted option valuation models, requires subjective assumptions, including future stock price volatility and expected time until exercise, which greatly affect the calculated fair value on the measurement date. If actual results are not consistent with our assumptions and judgments used in estimating the key assumptions, we may be required to record additional compensation or income tax expense, which could have a material impact on our consolidated results of operations and financial position. During the year ended July 31, 2016, we adopted ASU No. 2016-09, *Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting*, which impacted the accounting for share-based payments, including income tax consequences. As a result of the adoption, we recognized excess tax benefits of \$14.7 million as a reduction to tax expense in the consolidated statements of income, as though ASU 2016-09 had been in effect since the beginning of fiscal 2016, instead of reflected in stockholders' equity.

#### **Foreign Currency Translation**

We record foreign currency translation adjustments from the process of translating the functional currency of the financial statements of our foreign subsidiaries into the U.S. dollar reporting currency. The Canadian dollar, British pound, Brazilian real, European Union euro, U.A.E. dirham, Omani rial, Bahraini dinar, and Indian rupee are the functional currencies of our foreign subsidiaries as they are the primary currencies within the economic environment in which each subsidiary operates. The original equity investment in the respective subsidiaries is translated at historical rates. Assets and liabilities of the respective subsidiary's operations are translated into U.S. dollars at period-end exchange rates, and revenues and expenses are translated into U.S. dollars at average exchange rates in effect during each reporting period. Adjustments resulting from the translation of each subsidiary's financial statements are reported in other comprehensive income.

#### **Accounting for Acquisitions**

We recognize and measure identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in acquired entities in accordance with ASC 805, *Business Combinations*. The allocation of the purchase consideration for acquisitions can require extensive use of accounting estimates and judgments to allocate the purchase consideration to the identifiable tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their respective fair values. The excess of the fair value of purchase consideration over the values of the identifiable assets and liabilities is recorded as goodwill. Critical estimates in valuing certain identifiable assets include but are not limited to expected long-term revenues; future expected operating expenses; cost of capital; appropriate attrition; and discount rates.

#### **Segment Reporting**

Our U.S. and International regions are considered two separate operating segments and are disclosed as two reportable segments. The segments represent geographic areas and reflect how the chief operating decision maker allocates resources and measures results, including total revenues, operating income and income before income taxes. The segments continue to share similar business models, services and economic characteristics. Our revenues for the year ended July 31, 2018 were distributed as follows: U.S. 82.6% and International 17.4%. Geographic information as well as comparative segment revenues and related financial information pertaining to the U.S. and International segments for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 are presented in the tables in *Note 14* — *Segments and Other Geographic Reporting*, to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, which are included in Part II, Item 8 of this Form 10-K.

#### **Recently Issued Accounting Standards**

For a description of the new accounting standards that affect us, refer to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Note 1 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*.

#### Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Our principal exposures to financial market risk are interest rate risk, foreign currency risk and translation risk. We do not hold or issue financial instruments for trading purposes.

#### **Interest Income Risk**

The primary objective of our investment activities is to preserve principal while secondarily maximizing yields without significantly increasing risk. To achieve this objective in the current uncertain global financial markets, all cash and cash equivalents were held in bank deposits and money market funds as of July 31, 2018. As the interest rates on a material portion of our cash and cash equivalents are variable, a change in interest rates earned on our investment portfolio would impact interest income along with cash flows but would not materially impact the fair market value of the related underlying instruments. As of July 31, 2018, we held no direct investments in auction rate securities, collateralized debt obligations, structured investment vehicles or mortgaged-backed securities. Based on the average cash balance held for fiscal 2018, a hypothetical 10% adverse change in our interest yield would not have materially affected our operating results.

#### **Interest Expense Risk**

Our total borrowings under the Revolving Loan Facility under the Credit Agreement were zero as of July 31, 2018. The Revolving Loan Facility under the Credit Agreement bears interest, at our election, at either (a) the Base Rate, which is defined as a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the greatest of (i) the Prime Rate in effect on such day; (ii) the Federal Funds Rate in effect on such date plus 0.50%; or (iii) an adjusted LIBOR rate determined on the basis of a one-month interest period plus 1.0%, in each case plus an applicable margin ranging from 0.0% to 0.75% based on our consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter; or (b) an adjusted LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin ranging from 1.00% to 1.75% depending on our consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter. Interest is due and payable quarterly, in arrears, for loans bearing interest at the Base Rate, and at the end of an interest period (or at each three month interval in the case of loans with interest periods greater than three months) in the case of loans bearing interest at the adjusted LIBOR rate. If interest rates were to increase by 10%, our interest expense would increase by \$2.0 million.

# Foreign Currency and Translation Exposure

Fluctuations in foreign currencies create volatility in our reported results of operations because we are required to consolidate the results of operations of our foreign currency denominated subsidiaries. International net revenues are typically denominated in the local currency of each country and result from transactions by our operations in Canada, the U.K., Brazil, the Republic of Ireland, Germany, Finland, the U.A.E., Oman, Bahrain, and Spain. These operations also incur a majority of their expenses in the local currency, the Canadian dollar, British pound, Brazilian real, European Union euro, U.A.E. dirham, Omani rial, and Bahraini dinar. Our international operations are subject to risks associated with foreign exchange rate volatility, which could have a material and adverse impact on our future results. A hypothetical 10% adverse change in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar, British pound, Brazilian real, European Union euro, U.A.E. dirham, Omani rial, and Bahraini dinar would have resulted in a decrease in operating income of \$7.6 million for fiscal 2018.

On June 23, 2016, the U.K. held a referendum in which voters approved an exit from the European Union, commonly referred to as "Brexit." In February 2017, the British Parliament voted in favor of allowing the British government to begin negotiating the terms of the U.K.'s withdrawal from the European Union and discussions with the European Union began in March 2017. The ultimate effects of Brexit on us are difficult to predict, but adverse consequences concerning Brexit or the European Union could include deterioration in global economic conditions, instability in global financial markets, political uncertainty, volatility in currency exchange rates, or adverse changes in the cross-border agreements currently in place, any of which could have an adverse impact on our financial results in the future. The ultimate effects of Brexit on us will also depend on the terms of agreements, if any, that the U.K. and the European Union make to retain access to each other's respective markets either during a transitional period or more permanently.

Fluctuations in foreign currencies also create volatility in our consolidated financial position because we are required to remeasure substantially all assets and liabilities held by our foreign subsidiaries at the current exchange rate at the close of the accounting period. At July 31, 2018, the cumulative effect of foreign exchange rate fluctuations on our consolidated financial position was a net translation loss of \$107.9 million. This loss was recognized as an adjustment to stockholders' equity through accumulated other comprehensive income. A hypothetical 10% adverse change in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar, British pound, Brazilian real, European Union euro, U.A.E. dirham, Omani rial, Bahraini dinar, and Indian rupee would not have materially affected our consolidated financial position.

We do not hedge our exposure to translation risks arising from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

#### Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The response to this item is submitted as a separate section of this Annual Report on Form 10-K in Item 15. See Part IV, Item 15(a) for an index to the consolidated financial statements and supplementary financial information.

# Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

#### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

We conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act), or Disclosure Controls, as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K. This evaluation, or Controls Evaluation, was performed under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and our Chief Financial Officer (CFO). Disclosure Controls are controls and procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed under the Exchange Act, such as this Annual Report, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure Controls include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our CEO and CFO, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our Disclosure Controls include some, but not all, components of our internal control over financial reporting.

Based upon the Controls Evaluation, our CEO and CFO have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, our Disclosure Controls were effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our Exchange Act reports is accumulated and communicated to management, including the CEO and CFO, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure, and that such information is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

# Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of our financial reporting and the preparation of consolidated financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of our assets; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that our receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and directors; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

Management assessed our internal control over financial reporting for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2018. Management based its assessment on criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework). Management's assessment included evaluation of such elements as the design and operating effectiveness of key financial reporting controls, process documentation, accounting policies, and our overall control environment. This assessment is supported by testing and monitoring performed by our Finance department.

Based on our assessment, management has concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of the end of the fiscal year to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of consolidated financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The certifications of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer attached as Exhibits 31.1 and 31.2 to this Annual Report on Form 10-K include, in paragraph 4 of such certifications, information concerning our disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting. We reviewed the results of management's assessment with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors.

Our independent registered public accounting firm, Ernst & Young LLP, independently assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2018. Ernst & Young LLP has issued an attestation report which appears on the following page of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of Copart, Inc.

## **Opinion on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of Copart, Inc. (the Company) as of July 31, 2018, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) (the COSO criteria). In our opinion, Copart, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2018, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the 2018 consolidated financial statements of the Company, and our report dated October 1, 2018 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### **Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Dallas, Texas October 1, 2018

#### **Limitations on the Effectiveness of Controls**

Our management, including our CEO and CFO, does not expect that our disclosure controls or our internal control over financial reporting will prevent all error and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system's objectives will be 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 Copart have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Controls can also be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with associated policies or procedures. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

#### **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information

None.

#### PART III

Certain information required by Part III is omitted from this Annual Report on Form 10-K because we intend to file a definitive proxy statement for our 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Proxy Statement) not later than 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and certain information to be included therein is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

Information required by this item is incorporated by reference to the sections entitled "Proposal Number One — Election of Directors," "Corporate Governance and Board of Directors" and "Related Person Transactions and Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Compliance" in our Proxy Statement.

#### Code of Ethics

We have adopted the Copart, Inc. Code of Ethics for Principal Executive and Senior Financial Officers (Code of Ethics). The Code of Ethics applies to our principal executive officer, our principal financial officer, our principal accounting officer or controller, and persons performing similar functions and responsibilities who shall be identified by our Audit Committee from time to time.

The Code of Ethics is available at our website, located at <a href="http://www.copart.com">http://www.copart.com</a>.

We intend to satisfy disclosure requirements under Item 5.05 of Form 8-K regarding an amendment to, or waiver from, a provision of the Code of Ethics by posting such information on our website, at the address and location specified above, or as otherwise required by the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

## Item 11. Executive Compensation

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from the Proxy Statement (to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days of our July 31, 2018 fiscal year end) under the heading "Executive Compensation," "Compensation of Directors," and "Corporate Governance and Board of Directors."

# Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from the Proxy Statement (to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days of our July 31, 2018 fiscal year end) under the headings "Security Ownership" and "Executive Compensation," subheading "Equity Compensation Plan Information."

# Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from the Proxy Statement (to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days of our July 31, 2018 fiscal year end) under the heading "Related Person Transactions and Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Compliance," "Corporate Governance and Board of Directors," and "Proposal Number One — Election of Directors."

#### Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from the section captioned "Proposal Number Four — Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm" in the Proxy Statement (to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days of our July 31, 2018 fiscal year end).

#### **PART IV**

#### Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules

The following documents are filed as part of this Form 10-K:

#### (a) Financial statements:

Our consolidated financial statements at July 31, 2018 and 2017 and for each of the three years in the period ended July 31, 2018 and the notes thereto, together with the report of the independent registered public accounting firm on those consolidated financial statements are hereby filed as part of this annual report on Form 10-K.

## (b) Financial statement schedules:

No financial statement schedules are presented since the required information is not present or not present in amounts sufficient to require submission of the schedule, or because the information required is included in the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto.

# (c) Exhibits:

Exhibits are filed as part of this Report and are hereby incorporated by reference. Refer to Exhibit Index included herein.

# **SIGNATURES**

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

Registrant

COPART, INC.

By: /s/ A. Jayson Adair

A. Jayson Adair

Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer and Director)

Date: October 1, 2018

COPART, INC.

By: /s/ Jeffrey Liaw

Jeffrey Liaw, Chief Financial Officer (Principle Financial and Accounting Officer and duly Authorized Officer)

Date: October 1, 2018

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints A. Jayson Adair and Jeffrey Liaw, and each of them, as his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, each with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Capacity in Which Signed	Date
/s/ A. Jayson Adair	Chief Executive Officer (Principal	October 1, 2018
A. Jayson Adair	Executive Officer and Director)	
/s/ Jeffrey Liaw	Chief Financial Officer (Principal	October 1, 2018
Jeffrey Liaw	Financial and Accounting Officer)	,
/s/ Willis J. Johnson	Chairman of the Board	October 1, 2018
Willis J. Johnson	-	,
/s/ Vincent W. Mitz	President and Director	October 1, 2018
Vincent W. Mitz	-	
/s/ James E. Meeks	Director	October 1, 2018
James E. Meeks	-	
/s/ Steven D. Cohan	Director	October 1, 2018
Steven D. Cohan	-	
/s/ Daniel Englander	Director	October 1, 2018
Daniel Englander	-	
/s/ Thomas N. Tryforos	Director	October 1, 2018
Thomas N. Tryforos	-	
/s/ Matt Blunt	Director	October 1, 2018
Matt Blunt	-	

# Copart, Inc.

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of Copart, Inc.

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Copart, Inc. (the Company) as of July 31, 2018 and 2017, the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended July 31, 2018, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Company at July 31, 2018 and 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended July 31, 2018, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of July 31, 2018, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) and our report dated October 1, 2018 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since fiscal year 2006.

Dallas, Texas October 1, 2018

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands, except share amounts)

		Jul	y 31,	
		2018		2017
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	274,520	\$	210,100
Accounts receivable, net		351,601		311,846
Vehicle pooling costs		34,284		31,118
Inventories		16,734		10,163
Income taxes receivable		15,312		6,418
Prepaid expenses and other assets		16,665		17,616
Total current assets		709,116		587,261
Property and equipment, net		1,163,425		944,056
Intangibles, net		64,892		75,938
Goodwill		337,235		340,243
Deferred income taxes.		470		1,287
Other assets		32,560		33,716
Total assets	\$	2,307,698	\$	1,982,501
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	270,944	\$	208,415
Deferred revenue		4,488		5,019
Income taxes payable		673		6,472
Deferred income taxes		_		92
Current portion of revolving loan facility and capital lease obligations		1,151		82,155
Total current liabilities		277,256		302,153
Deferred income taxes.		19,733		3,192
Income taxes payable		27,277		24,573
Long-term debt, revolving loan facility, and capital lease obligations, net of discount		398,747		550,883
Other liabilities		3,586		3,100
Total liabilities.	_	726,599		883,901
Commitments and contingencies				
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock: \$0.0001 par value—5,000,000 shares authorized; none issued		_		
Common stock: \$0.0001 par value—400,000,000 shares authorized; 233,898,841 and				
230,488,296 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		23		23
Additional paid-in capital		526,858		453,349
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(107,928)		(100,676)
Retained earnings		1,162,146		745,370
Noncontrolling interest	_			534
Total stockholders' equity		1,581,099		1,098,600
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	2,307,698	\$	1,982,501

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

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

			Year	Ended July 31	,	
		2018		2017		2016
Service revenues and vehicle sales:						
Service revenues	\$	1,578,502	\$	1,286,252	\$	1,104,379
Vehicle sales		227,193		161,729		164,070
Total service revenues and vehicle sales		1,805,695		1,447,981		1,268,449
Operating expenses:						
Yard operations		846,868		678,401		582,904
Cost of vehicle sales		196,461		137,552		140,959
General and administrative		176,890		151,364		138,116
Impairment of long-lived assets		1,131		19,365		
Total operating expenses		1,221,350		986,682		861,979
Operating income		584,345		461,299		406,470
Other (expense) income:						
Interest expense		(20,368)		(23,779)		(23,606)
Interest income		1,293		1,406		1,449
Other income (expense), net		(2,759)		1,174		11,552
Total other expense.		(21,834)		(21,199)		(10,605)
Income before income tax expense		562,511		440,100		395,865
Income tax expense		144,504		45,839		125,505
Net income		418,007		394,261		270,360
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		140		34		_
Net income attributable to Copart, Inc.	\$	417,867	\$	394,227	\$	270,360
Basic net income per common share	\$	1.80	\$	1.72	\$	1.18
Weighted average common shares outstanding		231,793		228,686		228,846
Diluted net income per common share	\$	1.73	\$	1.66	\$	1.11
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	-	241,877	=	237,019	==	244,295
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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(in thousands)

	Year Ended July 31,						
		2018 2017				2016	
Comprehensive income, net of tax:							
Net income	\$	418,007	\$	394,261	\$	270,360	
Other comprehensive income:							
Unrealized gain on interest rate swaps, net (a)				603			
Reclassification adjustment of interest rate swaps, net (b)		_			(320		
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(7,252)		8,518		(40,684)	
Comprehensive income		410,755		402,779		229,959	
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest		140		34			
Comprehensive income attributable to Copart, Inc.	\$	410,615	\$	402,745	\$	229,959	

<sup>(</sup>a) Net of tax effect of \$(342) for the year ended July 31, 2016.

<sup>(</sup>b) Net of tax effect of \$178 for the year ended July 31, 2016.

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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

(in thousands, except share amounts)

	Common Stock	ock		Accumulated			
	Outstanding Shares	Amount	Additional Paid in Capital	Otner Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Retained Earnings	Noncontrolling Interest	Stockholders' Equity
Balances at July 31, 2015	240,312,680	\$ 24	\$ 407,796	\$ (68,793)	\$ 625,437	\$	\$ 964,464
Net income					270,360		270,360
Currency translation adjustment				(40,684)			(40,684)
Interest rate swaps, net of tax effects				283			283
Exercise of stock options, net of repurchased shares	2,258,880		(372)		(742)		(1,114)
Employee stock-based payment compensation and related tax benefit			20,631				20,631
Shares issued for Employee Stock Purchase Plan	216,264		3,369				3,369
Shares repurchased	(22,543,704)	(2)	(38,990)		(403,861)		(442,853)
Balances at July 31, 2016	220,244,120	22	392,434	(109,194)	491,194		774,456
Net income					394,227	34	394,261
Currency translation adjustment				8,518			8,518
Acquisition of noncontrolling interest						500	500
Exercise of stock options, net of repurchased shares	10,053,463	1	35,805		(140,051)		(104,245)
Employee stock-based payment compensation and related tax benefit			20,840				20,840
Shares issued for Employee Stock Purchase Plan	190,713		4,270				4,270
Balances at July 31, 2017	230,488,296	23	453,349	(100,676)	745,370	534	1,098,600
Net income					417,867	140	418,007
Currency translation adjustment				(7,252)			(7,252)
Distribution to noncontrolling interest						(235)	(235)
Sale of majority-owned subsidiary						(439)	(439)
Exercise of stock options, net of repurchased shares	3,225,377		44,459		(1,115)		43,344
Employee stock-based payment compensation			23,197		24		23,221
Shares issued for Employee Stock Purchase Plan	185,168		5,853				5,853
Balances at July 31, 2018	233,898,841	\$ 23	\$ 526,858	\$ (107,928)	\$ 1,162,146	\$	\$ 1,581,099

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

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)

	Ye	ar Ended July	31,
	2018	2017	2016
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 418,007	\$ 394,261	\$ 270,360
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			,
Depreciation and amortization, including debt cost	79,040	57,441	49,643
Allowance for doubtful accounts	1,142	187	1,175
Impairment of long-lived assets	1,157	19,365	
Equity in losses of unconsolidated affiliates	750	671	895
Stock-based payment compensation	23,221	20,840	20,864
Loss (gain) on sale of property and equipment	3,240	184	(54)
Deferred income taxes	16,717	19,901	5,740
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from acquisitions:	10,717	17,701	3,740
Accounts receivable	(40,335)	(38,542)	(54,213)
Vehicle pooling costs.	(3,353)	(1,915)	(4,137)
Inventories	(3,959)	1,294	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(3,939)	1,760	(2,509) (738)
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Other assets		1,085	4,164
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	53,320	4,269	48,347
Deferred revenue	(520)	392	983
Income taxes receivable.	(8,916)	12,343	(12,649)
Income taxes payable.	(3,149)	(333)	2,788
Other liabilities	(587)	(1,145)	1,839
Net cash provided by operating activities	535,069	492,058	332,498
Cash flows from investing activities:	(207.010)	(1-0 1-0)	(4.50.04.5)
Purchases of property and equipment	(287,910)	(172,178)	(173,917)
Purchases of assets and liabilities in connection with acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(8,787)	(160,812)	
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	6,425	765	662
Proceeds from sale of majority-owned subsidiary	1,796		_
Investment in unconsolidated affiliate	_	(3,566)	<del>-</del>
Purchases of marketable securities.	_	_	(21,119)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities			21,498
Net cash used in investing activities	(288,476)	(335,791)	(172,876)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from the exercise of stock options	44,459	31,188	13,240
Proceeds from the issuance of Employee Stock Purchase Plan shares	5,853	4,270	3,369
Repurchases of common stock	_	_	(442,855)
Payments for employee stock-based tax withholdings	(1,115)	(135,433)	(15,039)
Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt, net of discount	_	_	93,468
Net (repayments) proceeds on revolving loan facility	(231,000)	(7,000)	238,000
Debt offering costs	_	_	(1,179)
Principal payments on long-term debt	_	_	(337,500)
Distributions to noncontrolling interest	(235)		
Net cash used in financing activities	(182,038)	(106,975)	(448,496)
Effect of foreign currency translation	(135)	4,959	(11,289)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	64,420	54,251	(300,163)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period.	210,100	155,849	456,012
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 274,520	\$ 210,100	\$ 155,849
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:			
Interest paid	\$ 20,343	\$ 23,221	\$ 23,606
Income taxes paid, net of refunds	\$ 142,161	\$ 14,011	\$ 127,981

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JULY 31, 2018

# NOTE 1 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Basis of Presentation and Description of Business

Copart, Inc. was incorporated under the laws of the State of California in 1982. In January 2012, the Company changed the state in which it is incorporated (the "Reincorporation"), and is now incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. All references to "we," "us," "our," or "the Company" herein refer to the California corporation prior to the date of the Reincorporation, and to the Delaware corporation on and after the date of the Reincorporation.

The consolidated financial statements of the Company include the accounts of the parent company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, including its foreign wholly-owned subsidiaries. The Company also had a 59.5% voting interest in a company, which was acquired as part of the Cycle Express, LLC acquisition ("majority-owned subsidiary"), which provided various repossession services for the powersports auction industry. Noncontrolling interest consisted of a 40.5% outside voting interest in the majority-owned subsidiary. Net income or loss of the majority-owned subsidiary was allocated to the members' interests in accordance with the operating agreement. During the year ended July 31, 2018, the Company sold the majority-owned subsidiary and disposed of its related goodwill. The proceeds from the sale of the majority-owned subsidiary were \$1.8 million resulting in a realized gain of \$0.9 million recorded in other income. Significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

The Company provides vehicle sellers with a full range of services to process and sell vehicles over the internet through the Company's Virtual Bidding Third Generation (VB3) internet auction-style sales technology. Sellers are primarily insurance companies but also include banks, finance companies, charities, fleet operators, dealers and vehicles sourced directly from individual owners. The Company sells principally to licensed vehicle dismantlers, rebuilders, repair licensees, used vehicle dealers and exporters; however, at certain locations, the Company sells directly to the general public. The majority of vehicles sold on behalf of insurance companies are either damaged vehicles deemed a total loss or not economically repairable by the insurance companies or are recovered stolen vehicles for which an insurance settlement with the vehicle owner has already been made. The Company offers vehicle sellers a full range of services that expedite each stage of the vehicle sales process, minimize administrative and processing costs and maximize the ultimate sales price. In the United States (U.S.), Canada, Brazil, the Republic of Ireland, Germany, Finland, the United Arab Emirates (U.A.E.), Oman, Bahrain, and Spain, the Company sells vehicles primarily as an agent and derives revenue primarily from fees paid by vehicle sellers and vehicle buyers as well as related fees for services, such as towing and storage. In the United Kingdom (U.K.) and Germany, the Company operates both as an agent and on a principal basis, in some cases purchasing salvage vehicles outright and reselling the vehicles for its own account. In Germany and Spain, the Company also derives revenue from listing vehicles on behalf of insurance companies and insurance experts to determine the vehicle's residual value and/or to facilitate a sale for the insured.

# Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates include but are not limited to, vehicle pooling costs; self-insured reserves; allowance for doubtful accounts; income taxes; revenue recognition; stock-based payment compensation; purchase price allocations; long-lived asset and goodwill impairment calculations; and contingencies. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### Revenue Recognition

The Company provides a portfolio of services to its sellers and buyers that facilitate the sale and delivery of a vehicle from seller to buyer. These services include the ability to use the Company's internet sales technology and vehicle delivery, loading, title processing, preparation and storage. The Company evaluates multiple-element arrangements relative to its member and seller agreements.

The services provided to the seller of a vehicle involve disposing of a vehicle on the seller's behalf and, under most of the Company's current contracts, collecting the proceeds from the member. The Company applies Accounting Standard Update 2009-13, *Revenue Recognition (Topic 605): Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements* (ASU 2009-13) for revenue recognition. Pre-sale services, including towing, title processing, preparation and storage, as well as sale fees and other enhancement services meet the criteria for separate units of accounting. Revenue associated with each service is recognized upon completion of the respective service, net of applicable rebates or allowances. For certain sellers who are charged a proportionate fee based on the high bid of the vehicle, the revenue associated with the pre-sale services is recognized upon completion of the sale when the total arrangement is fixed and determinable. The estimated selling price of each service is determined based on management's best estimate and allotted based on the relative selling price method.

Vehicle sales, where vehicles are purchased and remarketed on the Company's own behalf, are recognized on the sale date, which is typically the point of high bid acceptance. Upon high bid acceptance, a legally binding contract is formed with the member, and the gross sales price is recorded as revenue.

The Company also provides a number of services to the buyer of the vehicle, charging a separate fee for each service. Each of these services has been assessed to determine whether the requirements have been met to separate them into units of accounting within a multiple-element arrangement. The Company has concluded that the sale and the post-sale services are separate units of accounting. The fees for sale services are recognized upon completion of the sale, and the fees for the post-sale services are recognized upon successful completion of those services using the relative selling price method. The Company reports sales taxes on relevant transactions on a net basis in the Company's consolidated results of operations, and therefore does not include sales taxes in revenues or costs.

The Company also charges members an annual registration fee for the right to participate in its vehicle sales program, which is recognized ratably over the term of the arrangement, and relist and late-payment fees, which are recognized upon receipt of payment by the member. No provision for returns has been established, as all sales are final with no right of return, although the Company provides for bad debt expense in the case of non-performance by its members or sellers.

The Company allocates arrangement consideration based upon management's best estimate of the selling price of the separate units of accounting contained within arrangements including multiple deliverables. Significant inputs in the Company's estimates of the selling price of separate units of accounting include market and pricing trends, pricing customization and practices, and profit objectives for the services.

## Vehicle Pooling Costs

The Company defers in vehicle pooling costs certain yard operation expenses associated with vehicles consigned to and received by the Company, but not sold as of the end of the period. The Company quantifies the deferred costs using a calculation that includes the number of vehicles at its facilities at the beginning and end of the period, the number of vehicles sold during the period and an allocation of certain yard operation costs of the period. The primary expenses allocated and deferred are certain facility costs, labor, transportation, and vehicle processing. If the allocation factors change, then yard operation expenses could increase or decrease correspondingly in the future. These costs are expensed as vehicles are sold in subsequent periods on an average cost basis. Given the fixed cost nature of the Company's business, there are no direct correlations for increases in expenses or units processed on vehicle pooling costs.

The Company applies the provisions of accounting guidance for subsequent measurement of inventory to its vehicle pooling costs. The provision requires that items such as idle facility expenses, double freight and rehandling costs be recognized as current period charges regardless of whether they meet the criteria of "abnormal" as provided in the guidance. In addition, the guidance requires that the allocation of fixed production overhead to the costs of conversion be based on the normal capacity of production facilities.

In August 2017, Hurricane Harvey hit the Texas Gulf Coast. As a result of the extensive flooding that it caused, the Company expended \$68.6 million in additional costs for the year ended July 31, 2018, for (i) temporary storage facilities, (ii) premiums for subhaulers, (iii) labor costs incurred for overtime, (iv) travel and lodging due to the reassignment of employees to the affected region, and (v) equipment lease expenses to handle the increased volume. These costs, which are characterized as "abnormal" under ASC 330, Inventory, were expensed as incurred and not included in vehicle pooling costs. As of July 31, 2018, substantially all of the incremental salvage vehicles received as a result of Hurricane Harvey have been sold.

#### Foreign Currency Translation

The Company records foreign currency translation adjustments from the process of translating the functional currency of the financial statements of its foreign subsidiaries into the U.S. dollar reporting currency. The Canadian dollar, British pound, Brazilian real, European Union euro, U.A.E. dirham, Omani rial, Bahraini dinar, and Indian rupee are the functional currencies of the Company's foreign subsidiaries as they are the primary currencies within the economic environment in which each subsidiary operates. The original equity investment in the respective subsidiaries is translated at historical rates. Assets and liabilities of the respective subsidiary's operations are translated into U.S. dollars at period-end exchange rates, and revenues and expenses are translated into U.S. dollars at average exchange rates in effect during each reporting period. Adjustments resulting from the translation of each subsidiary's financial statements are reported in other comprehensive income.

The cumulative effects of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations were as follows (in thousands):

Cumulative loss on foreign currency translation as of July 31, 2016	\$ (109,194)
Gain on foreign currency translation.	8,518
Cumulative loss on foreign currency translation as of July 31, 2017	\$ (100,676)
Loss on foreign currency translation	(7,252)
Cumulative loss on foreign currency translation as of July 31, 2018	\$ (107,928)

## Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company records its financial assets and liabilities at fair value in accordance with the framework for measuring fair value in U.S. GAAP. In accordance with ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, as amended by Accounting Standards Update 2011-04, the Company considers fair value as an exit price, representing the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants under current market conditions. This framework establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value:

- Level I Observable inputs that reflect unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities traded in active markets.
- Level II Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level I that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level III Inputs that are generally unobservable. These inputs may be used with internally developed methodologies that result in management's best estimate.

The amounts recorded for financial instruments in the Company's consolidated financial statements, which included cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable, accrued liabilities and Revolving Loan Facility approximated their fair values as of July 31, 2018 and 2017, due to the short-term nature of those instruments, and are classified within Level II of the fair value hierarchy. Cash equivalents are classified within Level II of the fair value hierarchy because they are valued using quoted market prices of the underlying investments. See *Note 8 — Long-Term Debt*, Note 10 – Fair Value Measures, and Note 10 – Fair Value Measures.

# Cost of Vehicle Sales

Cost of vehicle sales includes the purchase price of vehicles sold for the Company's own account.

#### **Yard Operations**

Yard operations consists primarily of operating personnel (which includes yard management, clerical and yard employees), rent, contract vehicle towing, insurance, fuel and equipment maintenance and repair. The Company recognizes the costs of pre-sale services, including towing, title processing, and preparation and storage within yard operation expenses at the time the related services are provided.

# General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of executive, accounting and data processing, sales personnel, professional services, system maintenance and enhancements and marketing expenses.

# Advertising

All advertising costs are expensed as incurred and are included in general and administrative expenses on the consolidated statements of income. Advertising expenses were \$5.9 million, \$5.6 million, and \$6.8 million for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

#### Other (Expense) Income

Other (expense) income consists primarily of interest expense, interest income, gains and losses from the disposal of fixed assets, rental income, earnings from unconsolidated affiliates, and currency related gains and losses.

#### Income Taxes and Deferred Tax Assets

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities, their respective tax basis, and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. 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. Excess tax benefits and deficiencies related to exercises of stock options are recognized as expense or benefit in the income statement as discrete items in the reporting period in which they occur.

In accordance with the provisions of ASC 740, *Income Taxes*, a two-step approach is applied to the recognition and measurement of uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The first step is to determine if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained in an audit, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes. The second step is to measure the tax position as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely to be realized upon ultimate settlement. The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in the provision for income taxes on its consolidated statements of income.

#### Net Income Per Share

Basic net income per share amounts were computed by dividing consolidated net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net income per share amounts were computed by dividing consolidated net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus dilutive potential common shares calculated for stock options outstanding during the period using the treasury stock method.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with original maturities of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents include cash held in checking, domestic certificates of deposit, and money market accounts. The Company periodically invests its excess cash in money market funds and U.S. Treasury Bills. The Company's cash and cash equivalents are placed with high credit quality financial institutions.

#### Marketable Securities

Marketable securities consist of marketable equity securities and are classified as available-for-sale and stated at fair value. The cost basis of the marketable securities is based on the specific identification method. Unrealized gains or losses relating to available-for-sale securities are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income, net of income taxes. Reclassification adjustments out of accumulated other comprehensive income resulting from realized gains or losses from the sale of available-for-sale securities are included in other income. During the year ended July 31, 2016, the Company sold all of its marketable securities. The cost basis of the marketable securities was \$21.1 million and proceeds from the sale of the marketable securities were \$21.5 million resulting in a realized gain of \$0.4 million recorded in other income.

## Inventory

Inventories of purchased vehicles are stated at the lower of cost or estimated realizable value. Cost includes the Company's cost of acquiring ownership of the vehicle. The cost of vehicles sold is charged to cost of vehicle sales as sold on a specific identification basis.

#### Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable, which consist primarily of advance charges due from insurance companies and the gross sales price of the vehicle due from members, are recorded when billed, advanced or accrued and represent claims against third parties that will be settled in cash.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments, which subject the Company to potential credit risk, consist of its cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments and accounts receivable. The Company adheres to its investment policy when placing investments. The investment policy has established guidelines to limit the Company's exposure to credit risk by placing investments with high credit quality financial institutions, diversifying its investment portfolio, limiting investments in any one issuer or pooled fund and placing investments with maturities that maintain safety and liquidity. The Company places its cash and cash equivalents with high credit quality financial institutions. Deposits with these financial institutions may exceed the amount of insurance provided; however, these deposits typically are redeemable upon demand and, therefore, the Company believes that the financial risks associated with these financial instruments are minimal.

The Company generally does not require collateral on its accounts receivable. The Company estimates its allowances for doubtful accounts based on historical collection trends, the age of outstanding receivables and existing economic conditions. If events or changes in circumstances indicate that specific receivable balances may be impaired, further consideration is given to the collectability of those balances and the allowance is adjusted accordingly. Past-due account balances are written off

when the Company's internal collection efforts have been unsuccessful in collecting the amounts due. The Company does not have off-balance sheet credit exposure related to its customers and to date, the Company has not experienced significant credit-related losses.

No single customer accounted for more than 10% of total revenues for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016. As of July 31, 2018 and 2017, no customer accounted for more than 10% of the Company's accounts receivable.

#### Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Leasehold improvements are amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term or the estimated useful lives of the respective improvements, which is between seven and ten years. Significant improvements which substantially extend the useful lives of assets are capitalized. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred. Depreciation and amortization are computed on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives: three to seven years for internally developed or purchased software; three to twenty years for transportation and other equipment; three to five years for office furniture and equipment; and 7 to 40 years or the lease term, whichever is shorter, for buildings and improvements. Amortization of equipment under capital leases is included in depreciation expense.

In the fourth quarter of 2018, the Company modified its estimate of the useful life of its land improvements to better reflect the estimated periods during which these assets will remain in service. The change in estimate was accounted for prospectively as of the first day of the fourth quarter, and this change will not have a material effect on future periods.

#### Goodwill

In accordance with ASC 350-30-35, *Intangibles—Goodwill and Other*, goodwill is not amortized but is tested for potential impairment, at a minimum on an annual basis, or when indications of potential impairment exist. The Company assesses goodwill for impairment at the reporting unit level, which is defined as an operating segment or one level below an operating segment, referred to as a reporting unit. The Company has identified two reporting units, which are consistent with its two operating and reportable segments, U.S. and International. The Company has historically evaluated goodwill for impairment annually as of the end of the fourth quarter, or when an indicator of impairment exists. During the year ended July 31, 2017, the Company voluntarily changed the date of its annual goodwill impairment assessment for its reporting units from the end of fiscal fourth quarter, July 31, to the beginning of fiscal fourth quarter, May 1. This voluntary change in the annual goodwill assessment date was a change in accounting principle, which the Company concluded was preferable as it more closely aligns the timing of the annual goodwill impairment assessment date with the most current information from the Company's planning and forecasting process and also provides management with additional time to complete the annual assessment in advance of the Company's year-end reporting.

The Company's annual goodwill impairment analysis, which was performed qualitatively during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018 and 2017, did not result in an impairment charge. This qualitative analysis, which is referred to as step zero under ASC 350, considered all relevant factors specific to the reporting units, including macroeconomic conditions; industry and market considerations; overall financial performance and relevant entity-specific events.

#### Segments and Other Geographic Reporting

The Company's U.S. and International regions are considered two separate operating segments and are disclosed as two reportable segments. The segments represent geographic areas and reflect how the chief operating decision maker allocates resources and measures results, including total revenues, operating income and income before income taxes. The segments continue to share similar business models, services and economic characteristics.

#### Capitalized Software Costs

The Company capitalizes system development costs and website development costs related to the enterprise computing services during the application development stage. Costs related to preliminary project activities and post implementation activities are expensed as incurred. Internal-use software is amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life, generally three years. The Company evaluates the useful lives of these assets on an annual basis and tests for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances occur that impact the recoverability of these assets. Total gross capitalized software as of July 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$30.7 million and \$38.5 million, respectively. Accumulated amortization expense related to software as of July 31, 2018 and 2017 totaled \$16.0 million and \$25.7 million, respectively. During the year ended July 31, 2018 and 2016, the Company retired fully amortized capitalized software of \$15.5 million and \$29.8 million, respectively, which were no longer being utilized. Additionally, during the year ended July 31, 2017, the Company recognized a \$19.4 million charge primarily related to fully impairing costs previously capitalized in connection with the development of business operating software.

#### Stock-Based Payment Compensation

The Company accounts for stock-based awards to employees and non-employees using the fair value method as required by ASC 718, *Compensation—Stock Compensation* (ASC 718), which requires the measurement and recognition of compensation expense for all stock-based payment awards made to employees, consultants and directors based on estimated fair value. ASC 718 requires companies to estimate the fair value of stock-based payment awards on the measurement date using an option-pricing model. The value of the portion of the award that is ultimately expected to vest is recognized in expense over the requisite service periods. ASC 718 requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates.

Option valuation models require the input of subjective assumptions including the expected stock price volatility. Because the Company's employee stock options have characteristics significantly different from those of traded options and because changes in the input assumptions can materially affect their fair value estimate, it is the Company's opinion that the existing models do not necessarily provide a reliable single measure of the fair value of the employee stock options.

The fair value of each option was estimated on the measurement date using the Black-Scholes Merton (BSM) option-pricing model utilizing the following assumptions:

		July 31,	
	2018	2017	2016
Expected life (in years)	5.3 – 6.9	5.5 – 7.4	5.3 – 7.2
Risk-free interest rate.	1.88 - 2.62	1.20 - 2.07	1.16 - 2.06
Estimated volatility	20 - 21	20 - 23	21 - 26
Expected dividends		%	%
Weighted average fair value at measurement date	\$ 8.88	7.05 \$	5.04

Expected life—The Company's expected life represents the period that the Company's stock-based payment awards are expected to be outstanding and was determined based on historical experience of similar awards, giving consideration to the contractual terms of the stock-based payment awards, vesting schedules and expectations of future employee behavior as influenced by changes to the terms of its stock-based payment awards.

Estimated volatility—The Company uses the trading history of its common stock in determining an estimated volatility factor when using the BSM option-pricing model to determine the fair value of options granted.

Expected dividend—The Company has not declared dividends. Therefore, the Company uses a zero value for the expected dividend value factor when using the BSM option-pricing model to determine the fair value of options granted.

Risk-free interest rate—The Company bases the risk-free interest rate used in the BSM option-pricing model on the implied yield currently available on U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with the same or substantially equivalent expected life.

Estimated forfeitures—When estimating forfeitures, the Company considers voluntary and involuntary termination behavior as well as analysis of actual option forfeitures.

During the year ended July 31, 2016, the Company adopted ASU No. 2016-09, *Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting*, which impacted the accounting for share-based payments, including income tax consequences, classification of awards and the classification on the consolidated statements of cash flows. As a result of the adoption, the Company recognized excess tax benefits of \$14.7 million as a reduction to tax expense in the consolidated statements of income, as though ASU 2016-09 had been in effect since the beginning of fiscal 2016, instead of reflected in stockholders' equity.

Net cash proceeds from the exercise of stock options were \$44.5 million, \$31.2 million and \$13.2 million for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. In accordance with ASC 718, the Company presents excess tax benefits from disqualifying dispositions of the exercise of incentive stock options, vested prior to August 1, 2005, if any, as financing cash flows rather than operating cash flows.

#### Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income includes all changes in stockholders' equity during a period from non-stockholder sources. For the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) was the effect of foreign currency translation adjustments and the effective portion of the interest rate swaps' change in fair value. Deferred taxes are not provided on cumulative translation adjustments where the Company expects earnings of a foreign subsidiary to be indefinitely reinvested.

#### Acquisitions

The Company recognizes and measures identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in acquired entities in accordance with ASC 805, *Business Combinations*. The allocation of the purchase consideration for acquisitions can require extensive use of accounting estimates and judgments to allocate the purchase consideration to the identifiable tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their respective fair values. The excess of the fair value of purchase consideration over the values of the identifiable assets and liabilities is recorded as goodwill. Critical estimates in valuing certain identifiable assets include but are not limited to expected long-term revenues; future expected operating expenses; cost of capital; appropriate attrition; and discount rates.

#### Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Adopted

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-17, *Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes*, which requires companies to classify all deferred tax assets and liabilities as non-current on the balance sheet, rather than separating deferred taxes into current and non-current amounts. This ASU is effective for annual and interim periods within those annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016 and can be adopted prospectively or retrospectively; however, early adoption is permitted. The Company's adoption of ASU 2015-17 on a prospective basis did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations and financial position.

In May 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-09, Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Scope of Modification Accounting, which amends the scope of modification accounting for stock-based payment arrangements and provides guidance on the types of changes to the terms or conditions of stock-based payment awards to which an entity would be required to apply modification accounting under ASC 718. For all entities, this ASU is effective for annual reporting periods, including

interim periods within those annual reporting periods, beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in any interim period. The Company's adoption of ASU 2017-09 did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations and financial position.

#### Pending

In February 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-02, *Income Statement-Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220):* Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income. The current standard, ASC Topic 740 - *Income Taxes*, requires deferred tax liabilities and assets to be adjusted for the effect of a change in tax laws or rates with the effect included in income from continuing operations in the reporting period that includes the enactment date. This includes the tax effects of items in accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI") that were originally recognized in other comprehensive income, subsequently creating stranded tax effects. ASU 2018-02 allows a reclassification from AOCI to retained earnings for stranded tax effects specifically resulting from the U.S. federal government's recently enacted tax bill, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those periods. Early adoption is permitted. The adoption of ASU 2018-02 will result in a reclassification from AOCI to retained earnings and will have no impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, *Intangibles-Goodwill and Other (Topic 350)*. ASU 2017-04 amends the requirement that entities compare the implied fair value of goodwill with its carrying amount as part of step 2 of the goodwill impairment test. As a result, entities should perform their annual or interim goodwill impairment test by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount and recognize an impairment if the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value. ASU 2017-04 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019. The Company's adoption of ASU 2017-04 will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations and financial position.

In October 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-16, *Income Taxes (Topic 740)*, *Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory*. ASU 2016-16 requires an entity to recognize the income tax consequences of an intra-entity transfer of an asset, other than inventory, when the transfer occurs and eliminates the exception for an intra-entity transfer of an asset, other than inventory. This ASU is effective for annual and interim periods within those annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, and is required to be adopted using a modified retrospective approach; however early adoption is permitted. The Company is continuing its assessment of the impact of ASU 2016-16 may have on the Company's consolidated results of operations and financial position.

In August 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-15, *Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230)*, which clarifies how companies present and classify certain cash receipts and cash payments in the statement of cash flows. ASU 2016-15 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. The guidance is required to be applied on a retrospective basis. The Company's adoption of ASU 2016-15 will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations and financial position.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*, that supersedes all existing guidance on accounting for leases in ASC Topic 840. ASU 2016-02 is intended to provide enhanced transparency and comparability by requiring lessees to record right-of-use assets and corresponding lease liabilities on the balance sheet. ASU 2016-02 will continue to classify leases as either finance or operating, with classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the statement of income. ASU 2016-02 is effective for annual and interim periods within those annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018 and adoption is to be applied with a modified retrospective approach to each prior reporting period presented with various optional practical expedients; however early adoption is permitted. Based on a preliminary assessment, the Company expects that most of its operating lease commitments will be subject to the new guidance and recognized as operating lease liabilities and right-of-use assets upon adoption, resulting in a significant increase in the assets and liabilities on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. The Company is continuing its assessment, which may identify additional impacts ASU 2016-02 may have on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial position, and related disclosures.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*, which supersedes the revenue recognition requirements in ASC 605, *Revenue Recognition*. ASU 2014-09 is based on the principle that revenue is recognized to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. ASU 2014-09 also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. ASU 2014-09 is effective for annual and interim periods within those annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017 and will be effective for the Company beginning with the first quarter of fiscal year 2019. ASU 2014-09 allows adoption with either retrospective application to each period presented, or modified retrospective application, with the cumulative effect recognized as of the date of initial application. The Company will use the modified retrospective application with the cumulative effect as its transition method.

Upon adoption, service revenue (revenue from buyers and sellers) and vehicle sales revenue will generally be recognized at the date the vehicles are sold at auction. This timing of revenue recognition under ASU 2014-09 is consistent with the Company's current policy under ASC 605 for buyer and vehicle sales revenue. However, the adoption represents a change in the timing of revenue recognition for certain seller revenues, such as inbound tow and titling fees, which are currently recognized under ASC 605 when the services are performed. Related costs to prepare the vehicles for auction, including inbound tow and titling, will be deferred and recognized at the time of revenue recognition. The Company has evaluated the impact the adoption will have on the consolidated financial statements, and is finalizing the calculation of its cumulative effect adjustment. This change will result in a decrease to beginning retained earnings as of August 1, 2018, within a range of \$10.0 million to \$15.0 million as a result of the initial application of the standard and will not have a material impact to earnings.

# NOTE 2 — Acquisitions

#### Fiscal 2018 Transactions

During the year ended July 31, 2018, the Company acquired 100% of the voting stock of Autovahinkokeskus Oy (AVK), a salvage auto auction company based in Finland. AVK currently operates facilities in the municipalities of Espoo; Pirkkala; Oulu; and Turku, Finland. The aggregate purchase price of this acquisition totaled \$8.9 million, net of cash acquired.

The purchase price allocation for AVK is not final for property and equipment, intangible assets and deferred taxes on acquired intangible assets, and other liabilities, pending the final valuation by the Company. The Company believes any potential changes to its preliminary purchase price allocations will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial position and results of operations.

#### Fiscal 2017 Transactions

During the year ended July 31, 2017, the Company acquired 100% of the voting stock of Cycle Express, LLC, which conducts business primarily as National Powersport Auctions (NPA), a leading non-salvage auction platform for motorcycles, snowmobiles, watercraft and other powersports vehicles. NPA currently operates facilities in Atlanta, Georgia; Cincinnati, Ohio; Dallas, Texas; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and San Diego, California. NPA predominantly auctions pre-owned powersports vehicles on behalf of financing companies, dealers and manufacturers. The Company also acquired the assets of an excavation company, which engages in earthwork, soil stabilization, equipment hauling, and erosion control commercial contractor services. The aggregate purchase price of these acquisitions totaled \$160.7 million, net of cash acquired.

During the year ended July 31, 2018, the purchase price allocations for NPA and the acquisition of the assets of an excavation company were finalized. As a result, from the preliminary purchase price allocation as of July 31, 2017, goodwill decreased \$1.3 million, primarily related to a \$1.2 million increase in intangible assets and changes to deferred taxes on acquired intangible assets. In accordance with ASC 805, any adjustments to the fair value of acquired assets and liabilities that occur subsequent to the measurement period will be reflected in the Company's results of operations.

The following table summarizes the purchase price allocation based on the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed for these acquisitions (in thousands):

#### Allocation of the acquisition:

Accounts receivable and prepaid expenses	\$ 6,583
Vehicle pooling costs	571
Property and equipment	10,903
Inventory	1,067
Intangible assets	72,100
Goodwill	77,990
Liabilities assumed	(8,025)
Noncontrolling interest.	 (500)
Fair value of net assets and liabilities acquired	\$ 160,689

The NPA acquisition was undertaken because of its strategic fit, and the acquisition of certain excavation assets was undertaken to enhance the Company's land development capabilities. These acquisitions have been accounted for using the purchase method in accordance with ASC 805, *Business Combinations*, which resulted in the recognition of goodwill in the Company's consolidated financial statements. Goodwill arose because the purchase price of each acquisition reflected a number of factors, including their future earnings and cash flow potential; the comparable multiples of earnings, cash flow and other factors at which similar businesses have been purchased by other acquirers; the complementary tactical development capability and cost control over the development of the Company's yard locations; and the complementary strategic fit and resulting synergies brought to existing operations. Goodwill is calculated as the excess of the consideration transferred over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired and is not amortized for financial reporting purposes.

The Company obtained a third party independent valuation to assist in the determination of the fair values of certain assets acquired. The valuation utilized the income approach (specifically the Multi-Period Excess Earnings Method (MPEEM) model and the Relief from Royalty model) to estimate the fair value of acquired supplier relationships and trade names, respectively. The valuation utilized the cost approach to estimate the fair value of acquired software. The valuation of these assets was performed using Level III inputs, as the calculated fair values are based on valuation models that utilize unobservable inputs that are significant to the overall fair value measurement. The unobservable inputs reflect the Company's best estimate of what hypothetical market participants would use to determine the value of acquired assets based on the best information available in the circumstances. Intangible assets acquired include customer and supplier relationships, trade names, and software with a useful life ranging from three to eleven years. See *Note - 6 — Intangibles, Net*.

The purchase price allocation for NPA and the assets of an excavation company are not final for property and equipment, income taxes and intangible assets acquired, pending the final valuation by the Company. The Company believes any potential changes to its preliminary purchase price allocations will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial position and results of operations.

These acquisitions did not result in a significant change in the Company's consolidated results of operations individually or in the aggregate; therefore, pro forma financial information has not been presented. The operating results have been included in the Company's consolidated financial position and results of operations since the acquisition dates. The acquisition-related expenses incurred during the year ended July 31, 2017, were \$1.9 million and were included in general and administrative expenses in the Company's consolidated financial position and results of operations.

#### Fiscal 2016 Transactions

The Company made no acquisitions during the year ended July 31, 2016.

#### NOTE 3 — Accounts Receivable, Net

Accounts receivable, net consisted of:

	July 31,			
(In thousands)		2018		2017
Advance charges receivable.	\$	230,092	\$	204,097
Trade accounts receivable		125,255		110,189
Other receivables		1,698		1,871
		357,045		316,157
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts		(5,444)		(4,311)
Accounts receivable, net.	\$	351,601	\$	311,846

Advance charges receivable represents unbilled amounts paid to third parties on behalf of insurance companies for which the Company will be reimbursed when the vehicle is sold. Trade accounts receivable includes fees and gross auction proceeds to be collected from insurance companies and members.

The movements in the allowance for doubtful accounts were as follows:

	July 31,				
(In thousands)	2018		2017		2016
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 4,311	\$	4,120	\$	2,988
Charged to costs and expenses.	4,255		2,928		3,646
Deductions to bad debt.	(3,122)		(2,737)		(2,514)
Balance at end of year	\$ 5,444	\$	4,311	\$	4,120

# NOTE 4 — Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment, net consisted of the following:

	July 31,				
(In thousands)		2018		2017	
Transportation and other equipment	\$	190,900	\$	120,420	
Office furniture and equipment.		58,477		51,778	
Software		30,680		38,501	
Land		762,524		629,826	
Buildings and leasehold improvements		610,964		555,525	
		1,653,545		1,396,050	
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization		(490,120)		(451,994)	
Property and equipment, net	\$	1,163,425	\$	944,056	

Depreciation expense on property and equipment was \$58.8 million, \$39.6 million and \$34.2 million for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Amortization expense of software was \$5.7 million, \$10.6 million and \$8.5 million for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. During the year ended July 31, 2018 and 2016, the Company retired fully amortized capitalized software of \$15.5 million and \$29.8 million, respectively, which were no longer being utilized. Additionally, during the year ended July 31, 2017, the Company recognized a \$19.4 million charge primarily related to fully impairing costs previously capitalized in connection with the development of business operating software.

#### NOTE 5 — Goodwill

The change in the carrying amount of goodwill was as follows:

	Jul	y 31,	31,			
(In thousands)	2018		2017			
Beginning balance	\$ 340,243	\$	260,198			
Goodwill recorded during the period	(1,839)		79,256			
Effect of foreign currency exchange rates	(1,169)		789			
Ending balance	\$ 337,235	\$	340,243			

In accordance with the guidance in ASC 350, goodwill is tested for impairment on an annual basis or upon the occurrence of circumstances that indicate that goodwill may be impaired. The Company's annual impairment tests were performed during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018 and 2017 and goodwill was not impaired. As of July 31, 2018 and 2017, the cumulative amount of goodwill impairment losses recognized totaled \$21.8 million.

# NOTE 6 — Intangibles, Net

The following table sets forth amortizable intangible assets by major asset class:

	 Gro Carr Amo	ying	,		Accumulated Amortization				N Book	et Val	ue	Weighted Avera Remaining Usef Life (in years)		
	July	31,			July 31,		July 31, July 31		,	July	uly 31,			
(In thousands, except remaining useful life)	2018		2017		2018		2017		2018		2017	2018	2017	
Amortized intangibles:											_			
Covenants not to compete	\$ 1,666	\$	1,702	\$	(1,656)	\$	(1,389)	\$	10	\$	313	0	1	
Supply contracts and customer relationships	71,787		75,462		(29,601)		(22,248)		42,186		53,214	10	9	
Trade names	24,173		23,859		(6,405)		(4,989)		17,768		18,870	1	2	
Licenses and databases	9,291		5,385		(4,363)		(1,844)		4,928		3,541	2	3	
Intangibles, net	\$ 106,917	\$	106,408	\$	(42,025)	\$	(30,470)	\$	64,892	\$	75,938			

Aggregate amortization expense on intangible assets was \$14.0 million, \$6.8 million and \$5.8 million for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. During the year ended July 31, 2018, the Company recognized a \$1.1 million charge primarily related to fully impairing a supply contract in the International segment. Intangible amortization expense for the next five fiscal years based upon July 31, 2018 intangible assets is expected to be as follows:

# (In thousands)

2019	\$ 10,455
2020	8,421
2021	- )
2022	5,939
2023	5,868
Thereafter	 28,212
Total future intangible amortization expense	\$ 64,892

#### NOTE 7 — Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities consisted of the following:

(In thousands)		2018		2017
Trade accounts payable	\$	65,057	\$	20,626
Accounts payable to sellers		68,660		50,534
Buyer deposits and prepayments		62,443		50,603
Accrued compensation and benefits		37,218		31,173
Accrued insurance		4,376		5,263
Other accrued liabilities.		33,190		50,216
Total accounts payable and accrued expenses.	\$	270,944	\$	208,415

The Company is partially self-insured for certain losses related to general liability, workers' compensation and auto liability. Accrued insurance liability represents an estimate of the ultimate cost of claims incurred as of the balance sheet date, including an estimate for reported and unreported claims. The estimated liability is not discounted and is established based upon analysis of historical data, including the severity of the Company's frequency of claims, actuarial estimates and is reviewed periodically by management to ensure that the liability is appropriate.

## NOTE 8 — Long-Term Debt

#### Credit Agreement

On December 3, 2014, the Company entered into a Credit Agreement (as amended from time to time, the "Credit Amendment") with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent, and Bank of America, N.A., as syndication agent. The Credit Agreement provided for (a) a secured revolving loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$300.0 million (the "Revolving Loan Facility"), and (b) a secured term loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$300.0 million (the "Term Loan"), which was fully drawn at closing. The Term Loan amortized \$18.8 million per quarter.

On March 15, 2016, the Company entered into a First Amendment to Credit Agreement (the "Amendment to Credit Agreement") with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent and Bank of America, N.A. The Amendment to Credit Agreement amended certain terms of the Credit Agreement, dated as of December 3, 2014. The Amendment to Credit Agreement provided for (a) an increase in the secured revolving credit commitments by \$50.0 million, bringing the aggregate principal amount of the revolving credit commitments under the Credit Agreement to \$350.0 million, (b) a new secured term loan (the "Incremental Term Loan") in the aggregate principal amount of \$93.8 million having a maturity date of March 15, 2021, and (c) an extension of the termination date of the Revolving Loan Facility and the maturity date of the Term Loan from December 3, 2019 to March 15, 2021. The Amendment to Credit Agreement extended the amortization period for the Term Loan, and decreased the quarterly amortization payments for that loan to \$7.5 million per quarter. The Amendment to Credit Agreement additionally reduced the pricing levels under the Credit Agreement to a range of 0.15% to 0.30% in the case of the commitment fee, 1.125% to 2.0% in the case of the applicable margin for LIBOR loans, and 0.125% to 1.0% in the case of the applicable margin for base rate loans, based on the Company's consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter. The Company borrowed the entire \$93.8 million principal amount of the Incremental Term Loan concurrent with the closing of the Amendment to Credit Agreement.

On July 21, 2016, the Company entered into a Second Amendment to Credit Agreement (the "Second Amendment to Credit Agreement") with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, SunTrust Bank, and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent (as successor in interest to Wells Fargo Bank). The Second Amendment to Credit Agreement amends certain terms of the Credit Agreement, dated as of December 3, 2014 as amended by the Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of March 15, 2016. The Second Amendment to Credit Agreement provides for, among other things, (a) an increase in the secured revolving credit commitments by \$500.0 million, bringing the aggregate principal amount of the revolving credit commitments under the

Credit Agreement to \$850.0 million, (b) the repayment of existing term loans outstanding under the Credit Agreement, (c) an extension of the termination date of the revolving credit facility under the Credit Agreement from March 15, 2021 to July 21, 2021, and (d) increased covenant flexibility.

Concurrent with the closing of the Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, the Company prepaid in full the outstanding \$242.5 million principal amount of the Term Loan and Incremental Term Loan under the Credit Agreement without premium or penalty. The Second Amendment to Credit Agreement reduced the pricing levels under the Credit Agreement to a range of 0.125% to 0.20% in the case of the commitment fee, 1.00% to 1.75% in the case of the applicable margin for LIBOR loans, and 0.0% to 0.75% in the case of the applicable margin for base rate loans, in each case depending on the Company's consolidated total net leverage ratio. The principal purposes of these financing transactions were to increase the size and availability under the Company's Revolving Loan Facility and to provide additional long-term financing. The proceeds are being used for general corporate purposes, including working capital and capital expenditures, potential share repurchases, acquisitions, or other investments relating to the Company's expansion strategies in domestic and international markets.

The Revolving Loan Facility under the Credit Agreement bears interest, at the election of the Company, at either (a) the Base Rate, which is defined as a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the greatest of (i) the Prime Rate in effect on such day; (ii) the Federal Funds Rate in effect on such date plus 0.50%; or (iii) an adjusted LIBOR rate determined on the basis of a one-month interest period plus 1.0%, in each case plus an applicable margin ranging from 0.0% to 0.75% based on the Company's consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter; or (b) an adjusted LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin ranging from 1.00% to 1.75% depending on the Company's consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter. Interest is due and payable quarterly, in arrears, for loans bearing interest at the Base Rate, and at the end of an interest period (or at each three month interval in the case of loans with interest periods greater than three months) in the case of loans bearing interest at the adjusted LIBOR rate. The interest rate as of July 31, 2018 on the Company's Revolving Loan Facility was the one month LIBOR rate of 2.09% plus an applicable margin of 1.00%. The carrying amount of the Credit Agreement is comprised of borrowings under which interest accrues under a fluctuating interest rate structure. Accordingly, the carrying value approximates fair value at July 31, 2018, and was classified within Level II of the fair value hierarchy.

Amounts borrowed under the Revolving Loan Facility may be repaid and reborrowed until the maturity date of July 21, 2021. The Company is obligated to pay a commitment fee on the unused portion of the Revolving Loan Facility. The commitment fee rate ranges from 0.125% to 0.20%, depending on the Company's consolidated total net leverage ratio during the preceding fiscal quarter, on the average daily unused portion of the revolving credit commitment under the Credit Agreement. The Company had no outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Loan Facility as of July 31, 2018. The Company had \$231.0 million of outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Loan Facility as of July 31, 2017.

The Company's obligations under the Credit Agreement are guaranteed by certain of the Company's domestic subsidiaries meeting materiality thresholds set forth in the Credit Agreement. Such obligations, including the guaranties, are secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company and the assets of the subsidiary guarantors pursuant to a Security Agreement, dated December 3, 2014, among the Company, the subsidiary guarantors from time to time party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as collateral agent.

The Credit Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants, including covenants that limit or restrict the Company and its subsidiaries' ability to, among other things, incur indebtedness, grant liens, merge or consolidate, dispose of assets, make investments, make acquisitions, enter into transactions with affiliates, pay dividends, or make distributions on and repurchase stock, in each case subject to certain exceptions. The Company is also required to maintain compliance, measured at the end of each fiscal quarter, with a consolidated total net leverage ratio and a consolidated interest coverage ratio. The Credit Agreement contains no restrictions on the payment of dividends and other restricted payments, as defined, as long as (1) the consolidated total net leverage ratio, as defined, both before and after giving effect to any such dividend or restricted payment on a pro forma basis, is less than 3.25:1, in an unlimited amount, (2) if clause (1) is not available, so long as the consolidated total net leverage ratio both before and after giving effect to any such dividend on a pro forma basis is less than 3.50:1, in an aggregate amount not to exceed the available amount, as defined, and (3) if clauses (1) and (2) are not available, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$50.0 million; provided, that, minimum liquidity, as defined, shall be not less than \$75.0 million both before and after giving effect to any such dividend or restricted payment. As of July 31, 2018, the consolidated total net leverage ratio was 0.21:1. Minimum liquidity as of July 31, 2018 was \$1.1 billion. Accordingly, the

Company does not believe that the provisions of the Credit Agreement represent a significant restriction to its ability to pay dividends or to the successful future operations of the business. The Company has not paid a cash dividend since becoming a public company in 1994. The Company was in compliance with all covenants related to the Credit Agreement as of July 31, 2018.

#### Note Purchase Agreement

On December 3, 2014, the Company entered into a Note Purchase Agreement and sold to certain purchasers (collectively, the "Purchasers") \$400.0 million in aggregate principal amount of senior secured notes (the "Senior Notes") consisting of (i) \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.07% Senior Notes, Series A, due December 3, 2024; (ii) \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.19% Senior Notes, Series B, due December 3, 2026; (iii) \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.25% Senior Notes, Series C, due December 3, 2027; and (iv) \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.35% Senior Notes, Series D, due December 3, 2029. Interest is due and payable quarterly, in arrears, on each of the Senior Notes. Proceeds from the Note Purchase Agreement are being used for general corporate purposes.

On July 21, 2016, the Company entered into Amendment No. 1 to Note Purchase Agreement (the "First Amendment to Note Purchase Agreement") which amended certain terms of the Note Purchase Agreement, including providing for increased flexibility substantially consistent with the changes included in the Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, including among other things increased covenant flexibility.

The Company may prepay the Senior Notes, in whole or in part, at any time, subject to certain conditions, including minimum amounts and payment of a make-whole amount equal to the discounted value of the remaining scheduled interest payments under the Senior Notes.

The Company's obligations under the Note Purchase Agreement are guaranteed by certain of the Company's domestic subsidiaries meeting materiality thresholds set forth in the Note Purchase Agreement. Such obligations, including the guaranties, are secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company and the subsidiary guarantors. The obligations of the Company and its subsidiary guarantors under the Note Purchase Agreement will be treated on a pari passu basis with the obligations of those entities under the Credit Agreement as well as any additional debt the Company may obtain.

The Note Purchase Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants, including covenants that limit or restrict the Company and its subsidiaries' ability to, among other things, incur indebtedness, grant liens, merge or consolidate, dispose of assets, make investments, make acquisitions, enter into transactions with affiliates, pay dividends, or make distributions and repurchase stock, in each case subject to certain exceptions. The Company is also required to maintain compliance, measured at the end of each fiscal quarter, with a consolidated total net leverage ratio and a consolidated interest coverage ratio. The Note Purchase Agreement contains no restrictions on the payment of dividends and other restricted payments, as defined, as long as (1) the consolidated total net leverage ratio, as defined, both before and after giving effect to any such dividend or restricted payment on a pro forma basis, is less than 3.25:1, in an unlimited amount, (2) if clause (1) is not available, so long as the consolidated total net leverage ratio both before and after giving effect to any such dividend on a pro forma basis is less than 3.50:1, in an aggregate amount not to exceed the available amount, as defined, and (3) if clauses (1) and (2) are not available, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$50.0 million; provided, that, minimum liquidity, as defined, shall be not less than \$75.0 million both before and after giving effect to any such dividend or restricted payment. As of July 31, 2018, the consolidated total net leverage ratio was 0.21:1. Minimum liquidity as of July 31, 2018 was \$1.1 billion. Accordingly, the Company does not believe that the provisions of the Note Purchase Agreement represent a significant restriction to its ability to pay dividends or to the successful future operations of the business. The Company has not paid a cash dividend since becoming a public company in 1994. The Company was in compliance with all covenants related to the Note Purchase Agreement as of July 31, 2018.

Related to the execution of the Credit Agreement, First Amendment to Credit Agreement, Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, and the Note Purchase Agreement, the Company incurred \$3.4 million in costs, of which \$2.0 million was capitalized as debt issuance fees and \$1.4 million was recorded as a reduction of the long-term debt proceeds as a debt discount. During the year ended July 31, 2016, the Company recognized an expense of \$0.6 million for prior capitalized costs

into interest expense relating to the Second Amendment to Credit Agreement and payoff of the outstanding Term Loans. Both the debt issuance fees and debt discount are amortized to interest expense over the term of the respective debt instruments and are classified as reductions of the outstanding liability.

As of July 31, 2018, future payments on the Revolving Loan Facility and Note Purchase Agreement were as follows:

(In thousands)	July 31,(1)
2019	\$ —
2020	_
2021	_
2022	_
2023	_
Thereafter	400,000
Total future payments.	\$ 400,000

(1) Currently there are no outstanding balances on the Revolving Loan Facility and none are currently expected based on management's intent of the use of the Revolving Loan Facility, which may change on a quarter by quarter basis.

# NOTE 9 — Derivatives and Hedging

The Company had entered into two interest rate swaps to exchange its variable interest rate payments commitment for fixed interest rate payments through December 2015. The swaps were designated effective cash flow hedges under ASC 815, *Derivatives and Hedging*. Each quarter, the Company measured hedge effectiveness using the "hypothetical derivative method" and recorded in earnings any hedge ineffectiveness with the effective portion of the change in fair value recorded in other comprehensive income or loss. The interest rate swaps expired in December 2015. The Company reclassified \$0.5 million for the year ended July 31, 2016, out of other comprehensive income into interest expense.

The interest rate swaps were classified within Level II of the fair value hierarchy as the derivatives were valued using observable inputs. The Company determined fair value of the derivative utilizing observable market data of swap rates and basis rates. These inputs were placed into a pricing model using a discounted cash flow methodology in order to calculate the mark-to-market value of the interest rate swaps.

#### **NOTE 10 — Fair Value Measures**

The following table summarizes the fair value of the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured and recorded at fair value on a recurring basis based on inputs used to derive their fair values:

	July 31, 2018				July 3	l, <b>201</b> 7			
(In thousands)	F	air Value Total	O	gnificant bservable Inputs Level II)	F	air Value Total	Significant Observable Inputs (Level II)		
Assets									
Cash equivalents	\$	130,769	\$	130,769	\$	3,498	\$	3,498	
Total Assets.	\$	130,769	\$	130,769	\$	3,498	\$	3,498	
Liabilities									
Long-term fixed rate debt, including current portion	\$	381,230	\$	381,230	\$	400,908	\$	400,908	
Revolving loan facility		_		_		231,000		231,000	
Total Liabilities	\$	381,230	\$	381,230	\$	631,908	\$	631,908	

During the year ended July 31, 2018, no transfers were made between any levels within the fair value hierarchy. See Note 1 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Note 2 — Acquisitions, Note 8 — Long-Term Debt, and Note 9 — Derivatives and Hedging.

#### NOTE 11 — Stockholders' Equity

#### General

The Company has authorized the issuance of 400 million shares of common stock, with a par value of \$0.0001, of which 233,898,841 shares were issued and outstanding at July 31, 2018. As of July 31, 2018 and 2017, the Company had reserved 25,621,327 and 28,878,913 shares of common stock, respectively, for the issuance of options granted under the Company's stock option plans and 1,603,741 and 1,788,909 shares of common stock, respectively, for the issuance of shares under the Copart, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (ESPP). The Company has authorized the issuance of five million shares of preferred stock, with a par value of \$0.0001, none of which were issued or outstanding at July 31, 2018 or 2017, which have the rights and preferences as the Company's Board of Directors shall determine, from time to time.

# Stock Repurchases

On September 22, 2011, the Company's Board of Directors approved an 80 million share increase in the stock repurchase program, bringing the total current authorization to 196 million shares. The repurchases may be effected through solicited or unsolicited transactions in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. No time limit has been placed on the duration of the stock repurchase program. Subject to applicable securities laws, such repurchases will be made at such times and in such amounts as the we deem appropriate and may be discontinued at any time. For fiscal 2018 and 2017, the Company did not repurchase any shares of its common stock under the program. For fiscal 2016, the Company repurchased 5,877,038 shares of its common stock at a weighted average price of \$20.065 per share totaling \$117.9 million. As of July 31, 2018, the total number of shares repurchased under the program was 106,913,602, and 89,086,398 shares were available for repurchase under the program.

On December 30, 2015, the Company completed a modified "Dutch Auction" tender offer, or tender offer, to purchase up to 14,634,146 shares of its common stock at a price not greater than \$20.50 nor less than \$19.00 per share. In connection with the tender offer, the Company accepted for payment an aggregate of 16,666,666 shares of its common stock at a purchase price of \$19.50 per share for a total value of \$325.0 million. The Company's directors and executive officers did not participate in the tender offers. The shares purchased as a result of the tender offers were not part of the Company's stock repurchase program.

During fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016, certain executive officers, members of the Company's Board of Directors and other employees exercised stock options through cashless exercises. A portion of the options exercised were net settled in satisfaction of the exercise price and federal and state statutory tax withholding requirements. The Company remitted \$134.6 million and \$15.0 million for the years ended July 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, to the proper taxing authorities in satisfaction of the employees' statutory withholding requirements.

The exercised stock options, utilizing a cashless exercise, are summarized in the following table:

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Period	Options Exercised	A	eighted verage cise Price	Shares Net Settled for Exercise	Shares Withheld for Taxes <sup>(1)</sup>	Net Shares to Employees	Weighted Average Share Price for Withholding		Employee Stock Based Tax Vithholding (in 000s)
FY 2016—Q4	2,260,000	\$	9.32	821,296	586,304	852,400	\$ 25.65	\$	15,039
FY 2017—Q1	18,000,000		7.70	5,408,972	5,255,322	7,335,706	25.62		134,615
FY 2018—Q2	80,000		6.54	11,996	_	68,004	43.60		_

(1) Shares withheld for taxes are treated as a repurchase of shares for accounting purposes but do not count against the Company's stock repurchase program.

#### Employee Stock Purchase Plan

The ESPP provides for the purchase of up to an aggregate of 10 million shares of common stock of the Company by employees pursuant to the terms of the ESPP. The Company's ESPP was adopted by the Board of Directors and approved by the stockholders in 1994. The ESPP was amended and restated in 2003 and again approved by the stockholders. In 2014, a new ESPP was approved by the Board of Directors and approved by the stockholders. Under the ESPP, employees of the Company who elect to participate have the right to purchase common stock at a 15% discount from the lower of the market value of the common stock at the beginning or the end of each six month offering period. The ESPP permits an enrolled employee to make contributions to purchase shares of common stock by having withheld from their salary an amount up to 10% of their compensation (which amount may be increased from time to time by the Company but may not exceed 15% of compensation). No employee may purchase more than \$25,000 worth of common stock (calculated at the time the purchase right is granted) in any calendar year. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors administers the ESPP. The number of shares of common stock issued pursuant to the ESPP during the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was 185,168; 190,713; and 216,264; respectively. As of July 31, 2018, there were 8,476,333 shares of common stock issued pursuant to the ESPP and 1,603,741 shares remain available for purchase under the ESPP.

#### Stock Options

In December 2007, the Company adopted the Copart, Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Plan (Plan), presently covering an aggregate of 32.0 million shares of the Company's common stock. The Plan provides for the grant of incentive stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units and other equity-based awards to employees and non-qualified stock options, restricted stock units and other equity-based awards to employees, officers, directors and consultants at prices not less than 100% of the fair market value for incentive and non-qualified stock options, as determined by the Board of Directors at the grant date. Incentive and non-qualified stock options may have terms of up to ten years and vest over periods determined by the Board of Directors. Options generally vest ratably over a five-year period. The Plan replaced the Company's 2001 Stock Option Plan. As of July 31, 2018, 7,823,728 shares were available for grant under the Plan.

In October 2013, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors, subject to stockholder approval (which was subsequently obtained at the December 16, 2013 annual meeting of stockholders), approved the grant to each of A. Jayson Adair, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, and Vincent W. Mitz, the Company's President, of nonqualified stock options to purchase 4,000,000 and 3,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock, respectively, at an exercise price of \$17.81 per share, which equaled the closing price of the Company's common stock on December 16, 2013, the effective date of grant. Such grants were made in lieu of any cash salary or bonus compensation in excess of \$1.00 per year or the grant of any additional equity incentives for a five-year period. Each option will become exercisable over five years, subject to continued service by Mr. Adair and Mr. Mitz, with 20% vesting on April 15, 2015 and December 16, 2014, respectively, and the balance vesting monthly over the subsequent four years. Each option will become fully vested, assuming continued service, on April 15, 2019 and December 16, 2018, respectively. If, prior to a change in control, either executive's employment is terminated without cause, then 100% of the shares subject to that executive's stock option will immediately vest. If, upon or following a change in control, either the Company or a successor entity terminates the executive's service without cause, or the executive resigns for good reason (as defined in the option agreement), then 100% of the shares subject to his stock option will immediately vest. On June 2, 2015, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors approved the amendment of each of the stand-alone stock option agreements, by and between the Company and A. Jayson Adair and Vincent W. Mitz, respectively, to remove the provision providing at times prior to a "change in control" for the immediate vesting in full of the underlying option upon an involuntary termination of Mr. Adair or Mr. Mitz, as applicable, without "cause." The fair value of each option at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes Merton option-pricing model was \$5.72. The total estimated compensation expense to be recognized by the Company over the five year estimated service period for these options is \$40.0 million. The Company recognized \$7.2 million in compensation expenses for these grants in the year ended July 31, 2018 and \$7.5 million for the years ended July 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

The following table details stock-based payment compensation expense included in the company's consolidated statements of income:

	Year Ended July 31,					
(In thousands)		2018		2017		2016
General and administrative	\$	19,351	\$	17,622	\$	18,194
Yard operations.		3,870		3,286		2,670
Total stock-based payment compensation	\$	23,221	\$	20,908	\$	20,864

There were no material compensation costs capitalized as part of the cost of an asset as of July 31, 2018 and 2017.

A summary of the status of the Company's non-vested shares and its activity during the year ended July 31, 2018 was as follows:

(In thousands, except per share amounts)	Number of Shares	Weig Average date Fai	
Non-vested shares at July 31, 2017.	6,667	\$	5.57
Grants of non-vested shares	2,383		8.88
Vested	(3,376)		5.67
Forfeitures or expirations.	(158)		4.89
Non-vested shares at July 31, 2018.	5,516	\$	6.96

Stock option activity for the year ended July 31, 2018 was as follows:

(In thousands, except per share and term data)	Shares	A	eighted verage rcise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (In years)	ggregate ntrinsic Value
Outstanding as of July 31, 2017	18,774	\$	17.14	6.48	\$ 269,449
Grants of options	2,383		36.78		
Exercises	(3,202)		14.05		
Forfeitures or expirations	(158)		20.93		
Outstanding as of July 31, 2018	17,797	\$	20.29	6.19	\$ 660,268
Exercisable as of July 31, 2018	12,281	\$	17.41	5.51	\$ 490,951
Vested and expected to vest as of July 31, 2018	17,232	\$	20.06	6.13	\$ 643,206

As required by ASC 718, *Compensation* — *Stock Compensation*, the Company made an estimate of expected forfeitures and recognized compensation cost only for those equity awards expected to vest.

The aggregate intrinsic value in the table above represents the total pretax intrinsic value (i.e., the difference between the Company's closing stock price on the last trading day of the year ended July 31, 2018 and the exercise price, times the number of shares) that would have been received by the option holders had all option holders exercised their options on July 31, 2018. The aggregate intrinsic value of options exercised was \$111.5 million, \$366.7 million and \$53.6 million in the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and represents the difference between the exercise price of the option and the estimated fair value of the Company's common stock on the dates exercised. As of July 31, 2018, the total compensation cost related to non-vested stock-based payment awards granted to employees under the Company's stock option plans but not yet recognized was \$30.1 million, net of estimated forfeitures. This cost will be amortized on a straight-line basis over a weighted average remaining term of 2.51 years and will be adjusted for subsequent changes in estimated forfeitures. The fair value of options vested for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was \$19.1 million, \$18.6 million and \$21.0 million, respectively.

The following table summarizes stock options outstanding and exercisable as of July 31, 2018:

(In thousands, except per share amounts)	Opt	Options E	xercisable		
Range of Exercise Prices	Number	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$8.19 <b>-</b> \$17.64	1,789	3.30	\$ 11.44	1,726	\$ 11.25
\$17.73-\$17.81	9,451	5.75	17.79	7,526	17.80
\$18.06-\$18.61	2,770	6.06	18.33	2,088	18.29
\$18.84-\$50.30	3,787	8.74	32.14	941	23.73
Outstanding and exercisable as of July 31, 2018	17,797	6.19	\$ 20.29	12,281	\$ 17.41

# NOTE 12 — Income Taxes

Income before taxes consisted of the following:

	Year Ended July 31,							
(In thousands)	2018 2017				2016			
U.S.	\$	501,961	\$	385,526	\$	339,013		
International		60,550		54,574		56,852		
Total income before taxes.	\$	562,511	\$	440,100	\$	395,865		

Income tax expense (benefit) from continuing operations consisted of the following:

	Year Ended July 31,						
(In thousands)		2018	2017			2016	
Federal:							
Current	\$	109,804	\$	12,752	\$	103,127	
Deferred		17,094		20,094		7,019	
		126,898		32,846		110,146	
State:							
Current		9,100		1,659		5,347	
Deferred		(111)		499		151	
		8,989		2,158		5,498	
International:							
Current		8,820		11,468		10,855	
Deferred		(203)		(633)		(994)	
		8,617		10,835		9,861	
Income tax expense	\$	144,504	\$	45,839	\$	125,505	

A reconciliation of the expected U.S. statutory tax rate to the actual effective income tax rate is as follows:

	Yea	31,	
(In thousands)	2018	2017	2016
Federal statutory rate.	26.9%	35.0%	35.0%
State income taxes, net of federal income tax benefit	1.3%	1.3%	0.9%
International rate differential	(0.8)%	(1.8)%	(1.8)%
Compensation and fringe benefits <sup>(1)</sup>	(3.5)%	(24.3)%	(3.6)%
Provisional transition tax	2.2%		%
Deferred tax remeasurement	(0.8)%	%	%
Other differences.	0.4%	0.2%	1.2%
Effective tax rate	25.7%	10.4%	31.7%

(1) Included in the compensation and fringe benefits rate reconciliation is the impact of the Company's adoption of ASU No. 2016-09, *Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting*. Under this standard, all excess tax benefits and tax deficiencies related to exercises of stock options are recognized as income tax expense or benefit in the income statement as discrete items in the reporting period in which they occur.

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets (liabilities) are presented below:

	July	y 31,
(In thousands)	2018	2017
Deferred tax assets:		
Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 1,068	\$ 1,177
Accrued compensation and benefits	17,704	26,621
State taxes	580	215
Accrued other	1,930	2,684
Deferred revenue	929	(371)
Property and equipment	_	9,405
Losses carried forward	3,065	3,688
Federal tax benefit.	6,441	10,542
Total gross deferred tax assets	31,717	53,961
Less: Valuation allowance	(4,592)	(6,455)
Net deferred tax assets	27,125	47,506
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Vehicle pooling costs.	(6,523)	(9,590)
Property and equipment	(14,147)	_
Prepaid insurance	(708)	(1,333)
Intangibles and goodwill	(25,010)	(38,580)
Total gross deferred tax liabilities	(46,388)	(49,503)
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$ (19,263)	\$ (1,997)

The above net deferred tax assets and liabilities have been reflected in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets as follows:

	 July	31,	
(In thousands)	2018		2017
U.S. current liabilities	\$ _	\$	(92)
U.S. non-current (liabilities) assets.	(16,018)		1,054
International non-current liabilities	(3,245)		(2,959)
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$ (19,263)	\$	(1,997)

As of July 31, 2018 and 2017, the Company had foreign operating losses and a U.S. federal tax credit carryforward of \$3.8 million and \$5.5 million, respectively. The foreign operating losses, subject to certain limitations, usually can be carried forward from a minimum of eight years to indefinitely. If not used, those foreign operating losses would start to expire after 2023. The U.S. federal related tax credit, if not used, would start to expire after 2026.

The Company's ability to realize deferred tax assets is dependent on its ability to generate future taxable income. Accordingly, the Company has established a valuation allowance in taxable jurisdictions where the utilization of the tax assets is uncertain. Additional timing differences or future tax losses may occur which could warrant a need for establishing additional valuation allowances against certain deferred tax assets. The valuation allowance for the years ended July 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$4.6 million and \$6.5 million, respectively. The valuation allowance for deferred tax assets primarily related to operating losses in certain international jurisdictions and certain tax credits that are unlikely to be realized.

As of July 31, 2018 and 2017, if recognized, the portion of liabilities for unrecognized tax benefits that would favorably affect the Company's effective tax rate was \$16.0 million and \$13.0 million, respectively. It is possible that the amount of unrecognized tax benefits will change in the next twelve months, due to tax legislation updates or future audit outcomes; however, an estimate of the range of the possible change cannot be made at this time.

The following table summarizes the activities related to the Company's unrecognized tax benefits:

	July 31,					
(In thousands)		2018		2017		2016
Beginning balance	\$	19,269	\$	20,715	\$	17,428
Increases related to current year tax position.		5,169		2,807		4,311
Prior year tax positions:						
Prior year increase		554		2,694		1,120
Prior year decrease		(2,079)		(3,605)		_
Cash settlement.		(519)		(1,123)		(412)
Lapse of statute of limitations		(1,072)		(2,219)		(1,732)
Ending balance	\$	21,322	\$	19,269	\$	20,715

It is the Company's continuing practice to recognize interest and penalties related to income tax matters in income tax expense. As of July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, the Company had accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits of \$6.0 million, \$5.3 million and \$4.9 million, respectively.

The Company is currently under examination by certain taxing authorities in the U.S. for fiscal years 2013 to 2016. At this time, the Company does not believe that the outcome of any examination will have a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations and financial position.

The Company's effective income tax rates were 25.7%, 10.4%, and 31.7% for fiscal 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The tax rates in the prior years were impacted primarily from the result of recognizing excess tax benefits from the exercise of employee stock options of \$21.3 million, \$107.6 million and \$14.7 million, for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The effective tax rate was computed based on a reduced blended U.S. federal corporate tax rate of 26.9% for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2018, and included the effects of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

On December 22, 2017, the U.S. government enacted comprehensive tax legislation commonly referred to as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("Tax Reform" or "Tax Act"). Tax Reform makes broad and complex changes to the U.S. tax code, including, but not limited to (i) reducing the U.S. federal corporate tax rate from 35.0% to 21.0%; (ii) requiring companies to pay a one-time transition tax on certain unrepatriated earnings of foreign subsidiaries ("Transition Tax"); (iii) generally eliminating U.S. federal income taxes on dividends from foreign subsidiaries; (iv) creating a new provision designed to tax global intangible low-taxed income ("GILTI") which allows for the possibility of using foreign tax credits ("FTCs") and a deduction of up to 50.0% to offset the income tax liability (subject to some limitations); (v) allowing for full expensing of qualified property through bonus depreciation; and (vi) creating limitations on the deductibility of certain executive compensation.

The SEC staff issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118 ("SAB 118"), which provides guidance on accounting for the tax effects of Tax Reform. SAB 118 provides a measurement period that should not extend beyond one year from enactment for companies to complete the accounting under ASC 740, Income Taxes. In accordance with SAB 118, a company must reflect the income tax effects of those aspects of Tax Reform for which the accounting under ASC 740 is complete in the financial statements. To the extent that a company's accounting for certain income tax effects of Tax Reform is incomplete, but a reasonable estimate is able to be made, the company must record a provisional estimate in the financial statements. If a company cannot determine a provisional estimate to be included in the financial statements, it should continue to apply ASC 740 on the basis of the tax laws that were in effect immediately before the enactment of Tax Reform.

The Company has not completed its accounting for the tax effects of the enactment of the Tax Act. Specifically, the amount recorded for the Transition Tax is a provisional amount based on the Company's estimates. The Company expects to complete the accounting for these impacts of the Tax Act in the fiscal quarter ending January 31, 2019 as it finalizes its cumulative earnings and profits of its foreign subsidiaries and receives additional guidance from the IRS pertaining to the Tax Act. The impacts of additional guidance and changes in estimates related to the effects of the Tax Act, if any, will be recorded in the period the additional guidance or information is available. The Company recognized a provisional net tax charge of \$10.6 million during the three months ended January 31, 2018. Subsequently it was raised to \$12.4 million in the three months ended July 31, 2018, as more IRS guidance was released with respect to the calculation of the Transition Tax.

The Company re-measured deferred tax assets and liabilities based on the U.S. statutory income tax rate. In the three months ended January 31, 2018, a \$0.6 million tax benefit was initially recorded. The tax benefit was further increased to \$4.3 million in the three months ended July 31, 2018.

The Tax Act contains Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income ("GILTI") rules, which first impact the Company in fiscal year 2019. Under the GILTI rules certain income earned by the Company's foreign subsidiaries is subject to current U.S. taxation. The Company is continuing to evaluate this provision of the Act and the application of ASC 740. Under U.S. GAAP, the Company is permitted to make an accounting policy election to either treat future U.S. tax generated by the GILTI rules as a current-period expense when incurred or to factor such amounts into the Company's measurement of its deferred taxes. The Company has not recorded any amounts related to potential GILTI tax in its financial statements and will make an accounting policy election after it completes its evaluation of the GILTI rules and the application of ASC 740.

The Tax Act eliminated any additional federal tax upon repatriation of outside basis difference primarily resulted from undistributed foreign earnings; however, those undistributed earnings may still be subject to foreign withholding taxes if they are repatriated. As of July 31, 2018, the Company's foreign subsidiaries have accumulated undistributed earnings of \$160.0 million. No deferred tax liability has been recognized for the repatriation of these earnings or any residual outside basis difference as the Company intends to permanently reinvest them.

During the year ended July 31, 2018, the Company repatriated \$93.9 million of earnings that will be considered previously taxed, from the U.K. to the U.S. and concluded that there were no material additional taxes incurred.

During the year ended July 31, 2016, the Company adopted ASU No. 2016-09, *Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting*, which impacted the accounting for share-based payments, including income tax consequences, classification of awards and the classification on the consolidated statements of cash flows. As of July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 the Company recognized excess tax benefits of \$21.3 million, \$107.6 million and \$14.7 million, respectively, as a reduction to tax expense in the consolidated statements of income.

#### NOTE 13 — Net Income Per Share

The table below reconciles basic weighted shares outstanding to diluted weighted average shares outstanding:

	Year	1,	
(In thousands)	2018	2017	2016
Weighted average common shares outstanding	231,793	228,686	228,846
Effect of dilutive securities — stock options.	10,084	8,333	15,449
Weighted average common and dilutive potential common shares outstanding	241,877	237,019	244,295

There were no material adjustments to net income required in calculating diluted net income per share. Excluded from the dilutive earnings per share calculation were 4,788,004; 3,058,808; and 11,594,014 options to purchase the Company's common stock for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively, because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive. During the year ended July 31, 2016, the Company adopted ASU No. 2016-09, *Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting*, which caused an impact on dilutive potential common shares outstanding, as the Company excluded the excess tax benefits and deficiencies from the proceeds portion of the diluted earnings per share calculations as they are no longer recorded in equity, which caused dilutive potential common shares outstanding to increase for all periods in fiscal 2016.

# NOTE 14 — Segments and Other Geographic Reporting

The Company's U.S. and International regions are considered two separate operating segments and are disclosed as two reportable segments. The segments represent geographic areas and reflect how the chief operating decision maker allocates resources and measures results, including total revenues, operating income and income before income taxes. The segments continue to share similar business models, services and economic characteristics. Intercompany income (expense) primarily related to charges for services provided by the U.S. segment.

	Year Ended July 31, 2018						
(In thousands)	U	nited States	Int	ternational		Total	
Total service revenues and vehicle sales	\$	1,491,022	\$	314,673	\$	1,805,695	
Yard operations		730,865		116,003		846,868	
Cost of vehicle sales		101,130		95,331		196,461	
General and administrative		144,140		32,750		176,890	
Impairment of long-lived assets				1,131		1,131	
Operating income.		514,887		69,458		584,345	
Interest (expense) income, net		(19,996)		921		(19,075)	
Other income, net		(3,285)		526		(2,759)	
Intercompany income (expense)		10,355		(10,355)			
Income before income tax expense		501,961		60,550		562,511	
Income tax expense		136,136		8,368		144,504	
Net income	\$	365,825	\$	52,182	\$	418,007	
Depreciation and amortization.	\$	67,779	\$	10,819	\$	78,598	
Capital expenditures, including acquisitions		255,868		40,829		296,697	
Total assets		1,856,058		451,640		2,307,698	
Goodwill		256,434		80,801		337,235	
		Yea	r Enc	ded July 31,	2017		
(In thousands)		Yea		ded July 31, ternational	2017	Total	
(In thousands)  Total service revenues and vehicle sales	<u>U</u> :				2017 \$	Total 1,447,981	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		nited States	Int	ternational			
Total service revenues and vehicle sales		1,193,188	Int	254,793		1,447,981	
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	Year Ended July 31, 2016							
(In thousands)	U	<b>United States</b>		United States		International		Total
Total service revenues and vehicle sales	\$	1,016,036	\$	252,413	\$	1,268,449		
Yard operations.		494,146		88,758		582,904		
Cost of vehicle sales		55,866		85,093		140,959		
General and administrative		118,315		19,801		138,116		
Operating income		347,709	58,761			406,470		
Interest (expense) income, net		(23,178)	3) 1,021			(22,157)		
Other income, net		1,216		10,336		11,552		
Intercompany income (expense)		13,266		(13,266)				
Income before income tax expense		339,013		56,852		395,865		
Income tax expense		115,667		9,838		125,505		
Net income	\$	223,346	\$	47,014	\$	270,360		
Depreciation and amortization	\$	39,083	\$	9,492	\$	48,575		
Capital expenditures, including acquisitions		153,451		20,466		173,917		
Total assets		1,249,755		400,065		1,649,820		
Goodwill		179,906		80,292		260,198		

Vear Ended July 31, 2016

#### NOTE 15 — Commitments and Contingencies

#### Leases

The Company leases certain facilities and certain equipment under non-cancelable capital and operating leases. In addition to the minimum future lease commitments presented below, the leases generally require the Company to pay property taxes, insurance, maintenance and repair cost which are not included in the table because the Company has determined these items are not material. Certain leases provide the Company with either a right of first refusal to acquire or an option to purchase a facility at fair value. Certain leases also contain escalation clauses and renewal option clauses calling for increased rents. Where a lease contains an escalation clause or a concession, such as a rent holiday or tenant improvement allowance, rent expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term in accordance with ASC 840, *Operating Leases*.

The future minimum lease commitments for the next five fiscal years, under non-cancelable capital and operating leases with initial or remaining lease terms in excess of one year were as follows:

Years Ending July 31, (In thousands)	Capital Leases		perating Leases
2019	\$	966	\$ 29,773
2020		30	22,471
2021		13	18,515
2022		_	13,782
2023		_	11,680
Thereafter			54,068
Subtotal		1,009	150,289
Less: Amount relating to interest.		(29)	
Total	\$	980	\$ 150,289

Facilities rental expense for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was \$45.6 million, \$26.8 million and \$21.6 million, respectively. Yard operations equipment rental expense for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was \$2.8 million, \$2.9 million and \$3.1 million, respectively.

#### **Commitments**

Letters of Credit

Under a letter of credit facility separate from our Revolving Loan Facility, the Company had outstanding letters of credit of \$17.3 million at July 31, 2018, which are primarily used to secure certain insurance obligations.

#### **Contingencies**

Legal Proceedings

The Company is subject to threats of litigation and is involved in actual litigation and damage claims arising in the ordinary course of business, such as actions related to injuries, property damage, contract disputes, and handling or disposal of vehicles. The material pending legal proceedings to which the Company is a party, or of which any of the Company's property is subject, include the following matters.

On November 1, 2013, the Company filed suit against Sparta Consulting, Inc. (now known as KPIT). The suit arose out of the Company's September 17, 2013 decision to terminate the Implementation Services Agreement, under which KPIT was to design, implement, and deliver a customized replacement enterprise resource planning system for the Company. On January 8, 2014, KPIT filed suit against the Company in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California, alleging breach of contract, promissory estoppel, breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, account stated, quantum meruit, unjust enrichment, and declaratory relief. On June 8, 2016, the Company amended its complaint to include claims that KPIT stole certain intellectual property owned by the Company and acted negligently in its provision of services. The case was tried in April and May 2018. On May 22, 2018, the jury returned a verdict for the Company on its fraud claim against KPIT for \$4.7 million, and on its professional negligence claim against KPIT for \$16.3 million, and the jury found for KPIT on its implied covenant counterclaim against the Company for \$4.9 million.

In a September 10, 2018, post-trial order, the Court reduced the Company's professional negligence award to \$9.1 million, found KPIT liable under California's Unfair Competition Law (UCL) for fraudulent and unfair conduct and held that the Company could recover restitution of \$6.3 million if the Company chooses to forego its fraud and professional negligence damages, found that the Company was not entitled to restitution on its unjust enrichment claim, and awarded KPIT prejudgment interest on its implied covenant counterclaim starting from December 26, 2016. Further post-trial proceedings are expected in this lawsuit, including the determination of the Company's right to prejudgment interest on its successful claims.

The Company provides for costs relating to these matters when a loss is probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated. The effect of the outcome of these matters on the Company's future consolidated results of operations and cash flows cannot be predicted because any such effect depends on future results of operations and the amount and timing of the resolution of such matters. The Company believes that any ultimate liability will not have a material effect on its consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows. However, the amount of the liabilities associated with these claims, if any, cannot be determined with certainty. The Company maintains insurance which may or may not provide coverage for claims made against the Company. There is no assurance that there will be insurance coverage available when and if needed. Additionally, the insurance that the Company carries requires that the Company pay for costs and/or claims exposure up to the amount of the insurance deductibles negotiated when the insurance is purchased.

# Governmental Proceedings

The Georgia Department of Revenue, or DOR, conducted a sales and use tax audit of the Company's operations in Georgia for the period from January 1, 2007 through June 30, 2011. As a result of their initial audit, the DOR issued a notice of proposed assessment for uncollected sales taxes in which it asserted that the Company failed to collect and remit sales taxes totaling \$73.8 million, including penalties and interest.

The Company subsequently engaged a Georgia law firm and outside tax advisors to review the conduct of its business operations in Georgia, the notice of proposed assessment, and the DOR's policy position. In particular, the Company's outside legal counsel provided the Company an opinion that the sales for resale to non-U.S. registered resellers should not be subject to Georgia sales and use tax. In rendering its opinion, the Company's counsel noted that non-U.S. registered resellers are unable to comply strictly with technical requirements for a Georgia certificate of exemption but concluded that its sales for resale to non-U.S. registered resellers should not be subject to Georgia sales and use tax notwithstanding this technical inability to comply. Following the Company's receipt of the notice of proposed assessment, the Company and its counsel engaged in active discussions with the DOR to resolve the matter.

During an extended remand period, it was determined that grounds exist for a substantial reduction in the Official Assessment, on the basis that (i) the transactions and resulting tax at issue were erroneously double-counted by the DOR in the audit sales transaction work papers on which the Assessment was based; and (ii) the Company was ultimately able to provide documentation showing that most of the remaining transactions were sales at wholesale, therefore qualifying for the sale for resale exemption from Georgia Sales and Use Tax. After these reductions, the remaining amount of principal Georgia Sales and Use Tax still in dispute between the parties is \$2.6 million, plus applicable interest. A Consent Order to this effect was entered by the Georgia Tax Tribunal on May 22, 2017. Since the date of entry of the Consent Order, the DOR filed a Motion for Summary Judgment related to the remaining \$2.6 million in dispute. The Company opposed the DOR's motion and is awaiting a decision by the Court regarding the DOR's motion.

Based on the opinion from the Company's outside law firm, advice from its outside tax advisors, and the Company's best estimate of a probable outcome, the Company has adequately provided for the payment of any assessment in its consolidated financial statements. The Company believes it has strong defenses to the remaining tax liability set forth above and intends to continue to defend this matter. There can be no assurance that this matter will be resolved in the Company's favor or that the Company will not ultimately be required to make a substantial payment to the DOR. The Company understands that litigating and defending the matter in Georgia could be expensive and time-consuming and result in substantial management distraction. If the matter were to be resolved in a manner adverse to the Company, it could have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated results of operations and financial position.

#### NOTE 16 — Guarantees — Indemnifications to Officers and Directors

The Company typically enters into indemnification agreements with its directors and certain of its officers to indemnify them to the extent permitted by law against any and all liabilities, costs, expenses, amounts paid in settlement and damages incurred by the directors as a result of any lawsuit, or any judicial, administrative or investigative proceeding in which the directors are sued as a result of their service as members of its Board of Directors.

# NOTE 17 — Related Party Transactions

During the year ended July 31, 2016, the Company acquired interest in a partnership which was partially owned by an executive and which held the lease on property where the Company is operating a facility and totaled \$2.0 million.

There were no amounts due to or from related parties as of July 31, 2018 and 2017 that are not separately or previously disclosed.

#### NOTE 18 — Employee Benefit Plan

The Company sponsors a 401(k) defined contribution plan covering its eligible employees. The plan is available to all U.S. employees who meet minimum age and service requirements and provides employees with tax deferred salary deductions and alternative investment options. The Company matches 20% of employee contributions up to 15% of employee salary deferral. The Company recognized expenses of \$0.9 million for the years ended July 31, 2018, 2017 and \$0.8 million for the year ended July 31, 2016, respectively, related to this plan.

The Company also sponsors an additional defined contribution plan for its U.K. employees, which is available to all U.K. employees who meet minimum service requirements. The Company matches up to 5% of employee contributions. The Company recognized expenses of \$0.7 million, for the years ended July 31, 2018 and 2017, and \$0.6 million for the year ended July 31, 2016, related to this plan.

NOTE 19 — Quarterly Financial Information (Unaudited)(1)

	Fiscal Quarter							
Fiscal Year 2018 (In thousands, except per share data)		First	Second		Third			Fourth
Total revenue.	\$	419,168	\$	459,106	\$	478,198	\$	449,223
Gross profit.		163,264		191,609		219,068		188,425
Operating income		123,942		150,947		174,619		134,837
Income before income taxes		114,128		144,438		171,216		132,729
Net income attributable to Copart, Inc		77,515		103,256		127,348		109,748
Basic net income per common share	\$	0.34	\$	0.45	\$	0.55	\$	0.47
Diluted net income per common share	\$	0.32	\$	0.43	\$	0.52	\$	0.45

	Fiscal Quarter								
Fiscal Year 2017 (In thousands, except per share data)		First Second		Second		Third		Fourth	
Total revenue.	\$	345,991	\$	349,532	\$	373,862	\$	378,596	
Gross profit.		145,293		146,765		172,505		167,465	
Operating income.		104,824		108,880		136,788		110,807	
Income before income taxes.		102,534		100,099		131,088		106,379	
Net income attributable to Copart, Inc.		167,280		66,066		90,546		70,335	
Basic net income per common share	\$	0.74	\$	0.29	\$	0.39	\$	0.31	
Diluted net income per common share	\$	0.70	\$	0.28	\$	0.38	\$	0.30	

<sup>(1)</sup> Earnings per share were computed independently for each of the periods presented; therefore, the sum of the earnings per share amounts for the quarters may not equal the total for the year.

# EXHIBIT INDEX

The following Exhibits are filed as part of, or incorporated by reference into this report.

Exhibit		Incorporated by r	eference herein
Number	Description	Form	Date
3.1	Copart, Inc. Certificate of Incorporation	Current Report on Form 8-K, (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 3.1	February 25, 2016
3.2	Certificate of Amendment to the Copart, Inc. Certificate of Incorporation	Current Report on Form 8-K, (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 2	December 22, 2016
3.3	Bylaws of Copart, Inc.	Current Report on Form 8-K, (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 3	December 22, 2016
10.1 *	Copart Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Plan, as Amended and Restated (2007 EIP)	Current Report on Form 8-K, (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 1	December 22, 2016
10.2 *	Form of Performance Share Award Agreement for use with 2007 EIP	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.1	December 12, 2007
10.3 *	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for use with 2007 EIP	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.3	December 12, 2007
10.4 *	Form of Stock Option Award Agreement for use with 2007 EIP	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.5	December 12, 2007
10.5 *	Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement for use with 2007 EIP	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.4	December 12, 2007
10.6 *	Credit Agreement dated as of December 14, 2010 by and between the Registrant and Bank of America, N.A.	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.1	December 15, 2010
10.7 *	Amendment to Credit Agreement between the Registrant and Bank of America, N.A., dated as of September 29, 2011	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.13b	October 4, 2011
10.8 *	Copart, Inc. Executive Bonus Plan	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.13	August 3, 2006
10.9 *	Amended and Restated Executive Officer Employment Agreement between the Registrant and William E. Franklin, dated September 25, 2008	Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.1	December 10, 2008

Exhibit		Incorporated by reference herein	
Number	Description	Form	Date
10.10 *	Form of Indemnification Agreement signed by executive officers and directors	Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.17	October 1, 2012
10.11	Standard Industrial/Commercial single tenant lease-net dated February 3, 2013 between Garden Centura, L.P. and the Registrant	Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.18	October 1, 2012
10.12	Credit Agreement among the Registrant, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, dated as of December 3, 2014	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.1	December 4, 2014
10.13	Security Agreement among the Registrant, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as collateral agent, dated as of December 3, 2014	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.2	December 4, 2014
10.14	Note Purchase Agreement among the Registrant and each of the purchasers listed on Schedule B dated as of December 3, 2014	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.3	December 4, 2014
10.15 *	Copart, Inc. 2014 Employee Stock Purchase Plan	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.1	December 5, 2014
10.16 *	Form of Copart, Inc. Stand-Alone Stock Option Award Agreement for grant of options to purchase 2,000,000 and 1,500,000 shares of the Registrant's common stock to A. Jayson Adair and Vincent W. Mitz, respectively.	Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-193244), Exhibit No. 4.2	January 9, 2014
10.17 *	Amended and Restated Stand-Alone Stock Option Award Agreement dated June 2, 2015, between the Registrant and A. Jayson Adair.	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.1	June 4, 2015
10.18 *	Amended and Restated Stand-Alone Stock Option Award Agreement dated June 2, 2015, between the Registrant and Vincent W. Mitz.	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.2	June 4, 2015
10.19 *	Executive Officer Employment Agreement, effective January 4, 2016, between the Registrant and Jeffrey Liaw.	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.26	November 23, 2015
10.20	First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of March 15, 2016, by and among Copart, Inc., the subsidiaries of Copart, Inc. party thereto, the lenders party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent.	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.1	March 17, 2016
10.21	Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of July 21, 2016, by and among Copart, Inc., the subsidiaries of Copart, Inc. party thereto, the lenders party thereto, and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent.	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.1	July 27, 2016

Exhibit		Incorporated by reference herein	
Number	Description	Form	Date
10.22	First Amendment to Note Purchase Agreement, dated as of July 21, 2016, by and among Copart, Inc., the subsidiaries of Copart, Inc. party thereto and the purchasers party thereto.	Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 000-23255), Exhibit No. 10.2	July 27, 2016
14.01	Code of Ethics for Principal Executive and Senior Financial Officers	Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 000-23254), Exhibit No. 14-01	October 17, 2003
21.1	List of subsidiaries of Registrant	_	Filed herewith
23.1	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm	_	Filed herewith
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)	_	Filed herewith
31.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	_	Filed herewith
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	_	Filed herewith
32.1 (1)	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	_	Filed herewith
32.2 (1)	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	_	Filed herewith
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document		
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document		
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document		
101.DEF	XBRL Extension Definition		
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document		
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document		
(1)	In accordance with Item 601(b)(32)(ii) of Regulation S-K and SEC Release No. 33-8238 and 34-47986, Final Rule: Management's Reports on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and Certification of Disclosure in Exchange Act Periodic Reports, the certifications furnished in Exhibits 32.1 and 32.2 hereto are deemed to accompany this Form 10-K and will not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act. Such certifications will not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filings under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the registrant specifically incorporates it by reference.		

<sup>\*</sup> Management contract, plan or arrangement

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#### ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held at 14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 300, Dallas, Texas 75254 at 8:00 a.m., central time, on December 17, 2018.

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The following table summarizes the high and low sales prices per share of our common stock for each quarter during the last two fiscal years. As of July 31, 2018, there were 233,898,841 shares outstanding. Our common stock has been quoted on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "CPRT" since March 17, 1994. As of September 28, 2018, we had 906 stockholders of record.

2018	High	Low
FOURTH QUARTER	60.43	50.87
THIRD QUARTER	52.73	39.21
SECOND QUARTER	46.09	35.32
FIRST QUARTER	36.65	30.46
2017	High	Low
2017 FOURTH QUARTER	<b>High</b> 31.95	
		29.18
FOURTH QUARTER	31.95	29.18 27.83
FOURTH QUARTER THIRD QUARTER	31.95 31.20	29.18 27.83 25.40

# **ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K**

Copart will provide, without charge to each stockholder, upon written request a copy of its annual report on Form 10-K as required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 13a-1, under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. All such requests shall be sent to Copart, Inc., 14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 300, Dallas, TX 75254.

# SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report contains forward-looking statements that are based on our management's beliefs and assumptions and on information currently available to management. The forward-looking statements are contained principally in the sections entitled "Risk Factors," "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and "Business." Forward-looking statements include information concerning our possible or assumed future results of operations, business strategies, financing plans, competitive position, industry environment, potential growth opportunities and the effects of competition. Forward-looking statements include statements that are not historical facts and can be identified by terms such as "anticipates," "believes," "could," "seeks," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "plans," "potential," "predicts," "projects," "should," "will," or similar expressions and the negatives of those terms.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance, or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Given these uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements. In particular, Copart cannot predict its future revenues or operating results or its future rates of revenue growth, if any. Factors that could materially affect future results include, but are not limited to, risks relating to our dependence on a limited number of major vehicle sellers for a substantial portion of our revenues, risks associated with international operations, our ability to implement our management information systems, our need to acquire new facilities, and the potential for auarterly variations in our operating results. In addition, investors in Copart should review the more detailed discussions of risks and uncertainties affecting our business described under the caption "Risk factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 1, 2018 and supplemented in our subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q.

Except as required by law, we assume no obligation to update these forward-looking statements publicly, or to update the reasons actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements, even if new information becomes available in the future.



