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Form 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF x1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016

or

..TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from to

Commission File Number 001-32601

LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware20-3247759(State of Incorporation)(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)9348 Civic Center DriveBeverly Hills, CA 90210(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)(310) 867-7000(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. x 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 (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company " Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). " Yes x No

On April 27, 2016, there were 202,926,816 outstanding shares of the registrant's common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, including 1,044,993 shares of unvested restricted stock awards and excluding 408,024 shares held in treasury.

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LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC. GLOSSARY OF KEY TERMS

AOCI	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		
AOI	Adjusted operating income (loss)		
Company	Live Nation Entertainment, Inc. and subsidiaries		
FASB	Financial Accounting Standards Board		
GAAP	United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles		
Live Nation	Live Nation Entertainment, Inc. and subsidiaries		
SEC	United States Securities and Exchange Commission		
	For periods prior to May 6, 2010, Ticketmaster means Ticketmaster Entertainment LLC and its		
Ticketmasterpredecessor companies (including without limitation Ticketmaster Entertainment, Inc.); for periods on and after May 6, 2010, Ticketmaster means the Ticketmaster ticketing business of the Company			

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements 1

PART I—FINANCIAL INFORMATION Item 1. Financial Statements LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

ASSETS	March 31, 2016 (in thousand	December 31, 2015 s)
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable, less allowance of \$18,411 and \$17,168, respectively Prepaid expenses Other current assets	\$1,699,281 480,681 747,661 38,631	\$ 1,303,125 452,600 496,226 36,364
Total current assets	2,966,254	2,288,315
Property, plant and equipment	041 717	940.022
Land, buildings and improvements Computer equipment and capitalized software	841,717 502,217	840,032 505,233
Furniture and other equipment	241,081	233,271
Construction in progress	65,197	47,684
construction in progress	1,650,212	1,626,220
Less accumulated depreciation	927,422 722,790	894,938 731,282
Intangible assets		
Definite-lived intangible assets, net	785,301	777,763
Indefinite-lived intangible assets	369,219	369,317
Goodwill	1,619,552	1,604,315
Other long-term assets	464,058	385,249
Total assets	\$6,927,174	\$6,156,241
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities	¢ 0.0 0 7 10	¢ ((2 0 4 1
Accounts payable, client accounts	\$802,718	\$662,941
Accounts payable	76,204	58,607
Accrued expenses Deferred revenue	620,142 1,354,101	686,664 618,640
Current portion of long-term debt, net	43,990	42,352
Other current liabilities	43,990 29,082	32,002
Total current liabilities	2,926,237	2,101,206
Long-term debt, net	1,992,851	2,002,662
Long-term deferred income taxes	204,032	199,472
Other long-term liabilities	135,308	142,267
Commitments and contingent liabilities	100,000	1.2,207
Redeemable noncontrolling interests Stockholders' equity	264,088	263,715
Common stock	2,023	2,020
Additional paid-in capital	2,423,054	2,428,566
Accumulated deficit	(1,120,919)	
Cost of shares held in treasury	,	(6,865)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(112,905)	(111,657)

Total Live Nation stockholders' equity Noncontrolling interests Total equity Total liabilities and equity 1,184,388 1,236,953 220,270 209,966 1,404,658 1,446,919 \$6,927,174 \$6,156,241

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements 2

LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31,		
	2016	2015	
	(in thousands except		
	share and per share data)		
Revenue	\$1,207,716	\$1,120,31	2
Operating expenses:			
Direct operating expenses	784,203	721,289	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	336,181	314,545	
Depreciation and amortization	94,955	84,541	
Loss on disposal of operating assets	25	39	
Corporate expenses	24,506	24,360	
Acquisition transaction expenses	1,136	(527)
Operating loss	(33,290)	(23,935)
Interest expense	25,432	25,363	
Interest income	(556)	(1,565)
Equity in earnings of nonconsolidated affiliates	(592)	(2,980)
Other expense (income), net	(8,547)	21,028	
Loss before income taxes	(49,027)	(65,781)
Income tax expense	6,927	745	
Net loss	(55,954)	(66,526)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests			