UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported) February 25, 2021

Zscaler, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

001-38413 (Commission File Number) 120 Holger Way San Jose, California 95134

26-1173892 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code) (408) 553-0288

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange of which registered
Common Stock, \$0.001 Par Value	ZS	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

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.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 25, 2021, Zscaler, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the second fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2021. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 and Item 9.01 in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the accompanying Exhibit 99.1 hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "*Exchange Act*"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings, unless expressly incorporated by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press release dated February 25, 2021.

SIGNATURES

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

Zscaler, Inc.

February 25, 2021

/s/ Remo Canessa

Remo Canessa Chief Financial Officer

Zscaler Reports Second Quarter Fiscal 2021 Financial Results

Second Quarter Highlights

- Revenue grows 55% year-over-year to \$157.0 million
- Calculated billings grows 71% year-over-year to \$232.0 million
- Deferred revenue grows 60% year-over-year to \$446.8 million
- GAAP net loss of \$67.5 million compared to GAAP net loss of \$29.2 million on a year-over-year basis
- Non-GAAP net income of \$14.0 million compared to non-GAAP net income of \$13.5 million on a year-over-year basis

SAN JOSE, California - February 25, 2021 - Zscaler, Inc. (Nasdaq: ZS), the leader in cloud security, today announced financial results for its second quarter of fiscal year 2021, ended January 31, 2021.

"Businesses are accelerating their digital transformation, and this drove our strong second quarter results," said Jay Chaudhry, Chairman and CEO of Zscaler. "Our customers are turning to Zscaler's Zero Trust Exchange to implement Zero Trust architecture to protect users, workloads and applications, and improve user experience. With strong momentum in our business, we will continue to aggressively invest to pursue our large market opportunity."

Second Quarter Fiscal 2021 Financial Highlights

- Revenue: \$157.0 million, an increase of 55% year-over-year.
- **Income (loss) from operations**: GAAP loss from operations was \$53.9 million, or 34% of total revenue, compared to \$30.3 million, or 30% of total revenue, in the second quarter of fiscal 2020. Non-GAAP income from operations was \$14.8 million, or 9% of total revenue, compared to \$12.4 million, or 12% of total revenue, in the second quarter of fiscal 2020.
- Net income (loss): GAAP net loss was \$67.5 million, compared to \$29.2 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2020. Non-GAAP net income was \$14.0 million, compared to \$13.5 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2020.
- Net income (loss) per share: GAAP net loss per share was \$0.50, compared to \$0.23 in the second quarter of fiscal 2020. Non-GAAP net income per share was \$0.10 for both the second quarter of fiscal 2021 and 2020.
- **Cash flow:** Cash provided by operations was \$30.4 million, or 19% of revenue, compared to \$5.4 million, or 5% of revenue, in the second quarter of fiscal 2020. Free cash flow was \$18.0 million, or 11% of revenue, compared to negative \$1.9 million, or negative 2% of revenue, in the second quarter of fiscal 2020. The free cash flow in the second quarter of fiscal 2020 was impacted by a \$15.0 million cash payment as a result of a legal settlement agreement. Excluding this payment, free cash flow would have been \$13.1 million, or 13% of revenue.
- Deferred revenue: \$446.8 million as of January 31, 2021, an increase of 60% year-over-year.
- Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments: \$1,444.7 million as of January 31, 2021, an increase of \$74.2 million from July 31, 2020.

Recent Business Highlights

- Launched a security assessment program designed to help organizations assess the SolarWinds supply-chain attack, analyze potential impact on their organizations, and conform adherence to Zscaler's recommended best practices.
- Recognized as the only Leader in the Gartner Magic Quadrant for Secure Web Gateways (December 2020). Zscaler was positioned furthest in "Completeness of Vision" and highest in "Ability to Execute" among all 12 vendors evaluated in the report. This marks the 10th consecutive year Zscaler has been named a Leader in the Gartner Magic Quadrant for Secure Web Gateways.

- Delivered a successful virtual Zenith Live 2020, with keynote participants including leaders from Siemens, Hitachi America Ltd., and DB Schenker where they shared their experiences in driving secure, digital transformation beyond the limits of legacy thinking.
- Introduced Zscaler Cloud Platform (ZCP), a new approach that takes the operational complexity and headaches out of cloud workload security. The new solution minimizes attack surfaces and automates globally enforced security policies across an organization's multi-cloud footprint. This extends a zero-trust approach to cloud workloads, delivering the same high performance and reliability to protect business applications and internet access.
- Reached a new milestone by surpassing 5,000 customers during the quarter, including 500 of the Global 2000.

Change in Non-GAAP Measures Presentation

Effective August 1, 2020, the beginning of our fiscal year ending July 31, 2021, we have presented employer payroll taxes related to employee equity award transactions, which is a cash expense, as part of stock-based compensation expense in our non-GAAP results. These payroll taxes have been excluded from our non-GAAP results because they are tied to the timing and size of the exercise or vesting of the underlying equity awards and the price of our common stock at the time of vesting or exercise may vary from period to period independent of the operating performance of our business. Prior periods amounts have been recasted to conform to this presentation.

Financial Outlook

For the third quarter of fiscal 2021, we expect:

- Total revenue of \$162 million to \$164 million
- Non-GAAP income from operations of \$11 million to \$12 million
- Non-GAAP earnings per share of approximately \$0.07, assuming approximately 146 million common shares outstanding

For the full year fiscal 2021, we expect:

- Total revenue of \$634 million to \$638 million
- Calculated billings of \$820 million to \$825 million
- Non-GAAP income from operations of \$59 million to \$61 million
- Non-GAAP net income per share of \$0.39 to \$0.40, assuming approximately 145 million to 146 million common shares outstanding

These statements are forward-looking and actual results may differ materially. Refer to the Forward-Looking Statements safe harbor below for information on the factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from these forward-looking statements.

Guidance for non-GAAP income from operations excludes stock-based compensation expense and related payroll taxes, amortization expense of acquired intangible assets, asset impairment related to facility exit, certain litigation-related expenses, amortization of debt discount and issuance costs and income tax effects generated by intangible assets acquired in business acquisitions. Guidance for non-GAAP net income per share includes the anti-dilutive impact of the capped call transactions entered into in connection with our convertible senior notes issued in June 2020. We have not reconciled our expectations to non-GAAP income from operations and non-GAAP net income per share to their most directly comparable GAAP measures because certain items are out of our control or cannot be reasonably predicted. Accordingly, a reconciliation for the guidance for non-GAAP income from operations and non-GAAP net income per share is not available without unreasonable effort.

Conference Call and Webcast Information

Zscaler will host a conference call for analysts and investors to discuss its second quarter fiscal 2021 earnings results and outlook for its third quarter of fiscal 2021 and full year fiscal 2021 today at 1:30 p.m. Pacific time (4:30 p.m. Eastern time).

Date:	Thursday, February 25, 2021
Time:	1:30 p.m. PT
Webcast:	https://ir.zscaler.com
Dial-in number:	918-922-3018

Upcoming Conferences

Third quarter of fiscal 2021 virtual investor conference participation schedule:

- JMP Securities Technology Conference Monday, March 1, 2021
- Morgan Stanley Technology, Media and Telecom Conference Tuesday, March 2, 2021
- Credit Suisse Software Investor Day Monday, March 8, 2021
- Truist Securities Technology, Internet and Services Conference Tuesday, March 9, 2021
- Loop Capital Markets Consumer, Industrials, and TMT Investor Conference Friday, March 12, 2021

Sessions which offer a webcast will be available on the Investor Relations section of the Zscaler website at https://ir.zscaler.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, including statements regarding our future financial and operating performance, including our financial outlook for the third quarter of fiscal 2021 and full year fiscal 2021. There are a significant number of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from statements made in this press release, including but not limited to: the duration and global impact of COVID-19 on our business, operations and financial results and the economy in general; our ability as an organization to acquire and integrate other companies, products or technologies in a successful manner; our limited operating history; our ability to identify and effectively implement the necessary changes to address execution challenges; risks associated with managing our rapid growth, including fluctuations from period to period; our limited experience with new product and subscription and support introductions and the risks associated with new products and subscription and support offerings, including the discovery of software bugs; our ability to attract and retain new customers; the failure to timely develop and achieve market acceptance of new products and subscription and support offerings and our ability to remain competitive; length of sales cycles; and general market, political, economic and business conditions.

Additional risks and uncertainties that could affect our financial results are included under the captions "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" set forth from time to time in our filings and reports with the Security Exchange Commission (SEC), including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2020 filed on September 17, 2020, as well as future filings and reports by us, copies of which are available on our website at ir.zscaler.com and on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. You should not rely on these forward-looking statements, as actual outcomes and results may differ materially from those contemplated by these forward-looking statements as a result of such risks and uncertainties. Additional information will also be set forth in other filings that we make with the SEC from time to time. All forward-looking statements in this press release are based on information available to us as of the date hereof, and we do not assume any obligation to update the forward-looking statements provided to reflect events that occur or circumstances that exist after the date on which they were made.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Information

We believe that the presentation of non-GAAP financial information provides important supplemental information to management and investors regarding financial and business trends relating to our financial condition and results of operations. For further information regarding why we believe that these non-GAAP measures provide useful information to investors, the specific manner in which management uses these measures, and some of the limitations associated with the use of these measures, please refer to the "Explanation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" section of this press release.

About Zscaler

Zscaler (Nasdaq: ZS) accelerates digital transformation so customers can be more agile, efficient, resilient, and secure. The Zscaler Zero Trust Exchange protects thousands of customers from cyberattacks and data loss by securely connecting users, devices, and applications in any location. Distributed across more than 150 data centers globally, the SASE-based Zero Trust Exchange is the world's largest in-line cloud security platform.

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ZSCALER, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

(unaudited)

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	Three Months Ended January 31,				Six Months Ended January 31,			
		2021		2020		2021		2020
Revenue	\$	157,044	\$	101,268	\$	299,622	\$	194,858
Cost of revenue ^{(1) (2)}		34,135		20,238		65,862		39,796
Gross profit		122,909		81,030		233,760		155,062
Operating expenses:								
Sales and marketing ^{(1) (2)}		110,403		61,621		207,292		121,032
Research and development ^{(1) (2)}		41,751		20,706		77,521		40,977
General and administrative ^{(1) (3) (4)}		24,653		28,983		45,512		41,608
Total operating expenses		176,807		111,310		330,325		203,617
Loss from operations		(53,898)		(30,280)		(96,565)		(48,555)
Interest income		755		1,855		1,695		3,877
Interest expense ⁽⁵⁾		(13,245)		_		(26,294)		_
Other income (expense), net		518		(13)		786		(42)
Loss before income taxes		(65,870)		(28,438)		(120,378)		(44,720)
Provision for income taxes		1,671		716		2,169		1,510
Net loss	\$	(67,541)	\$	(29,154)	\$	(122,547)	\$	(46,230)
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	\$	(0.50)	\$	(0.23)	\$	(0.91)	\$	(0.36)
Weighted-average shares used in computing net loss per share, basic and diluted		135,024		128,408		134,238		127,978
Cost of revenue	\$	3,308	\$	1,648	\$	6,574	\$	3,062
	\$		\$		\$		\$	
Sales and marketing		33,864		13,033		66,518		23,619
Research and development		17,747		6,280		32,647		11,334
General and administrative	<u>*</u>	12,194	<i>.</i>	4,392	*	21,703	*	6,559
Total	\$	67,113	\$	25,353	\$	127,442	\$	44,574
⁽²⁾ Includes amortization expense of acquired intangible assets as follows:								
Cost of revenue	\$	1,503	\$	205	\$	3,007	\$	410
Sales and marketing		73		8		146		16
Research and development		_		429		_		995
Total	\$	1,576	\$	642	\$	3,153	\$	1,421
⁽³⁾ Includes asset impairment related to facility exit as follows:	\$	<u> </u>	\$	316	\$	416	\$	316
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⁽⁴⁾ Includes litigation-related expenses as follows:	\$		\$	16,334	\$		\$	18,341
⁽⁵⁾ Includes amortization of debt discount and issuance costs as follows:	\$	12,882	\$	_	\$	25,572	\$	_

ZSCALER, INC. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands) (unaudited)

(unaudited)			
	J	anuary 31,	July 31,
		2021	 2020
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	95,347	\$ 141,851
Short-term investments		1,349,402	1,228,722
Accounts receivable, net		170,412	147,584
Deferred contract acquisition costs		39,902	32,240
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		23,586	 31,396
Total current assets		1,678,649	1,581,793
Property and equipment, net		90,527	75,734
Operating lease right-of-use assets		45,942	36,119
Deferred contract acquisition costs, noncurrent		95,044	77,675
Acquired intangible assets, net		20,871	24,024
Goodwill		30,059	30,059
Other noncurrent assets		8,325	 8,054
Total assets	\$	1,969,417	\$ 1,833,458
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$	13,170	\$ 5,233
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		14,208	16,361
Accrued compensation		47,861	49,444
Deferred revenue		406,184	337,263
Operating lease liabilities		20,152	15,600
Total current liabilities		501,575	423,901
Convertible senior notes, net		887,186	861,615
Deferred revenue, noncurrent		40,633	32,504
Operating lease liabilities, noncurrent		33,829	28,023
Other noncurrent liabilities		3,490	2,586
Total liabilities		1,466,713	1,348,629
Stockholders' Equity			
Common stock		136	133
Additional paid-in capital		964,214	823,804
Accumulated other comprehensive income		472	463
Accumulated deficit		(462,118)	(339,571)
Total stockholders' equity		502,704	484,829
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	1,969,417	\$ 1,833,458

ZSCALER, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands) (unaudited)

		Six Month Januar		led
		2021	5 1	2020
Cash Flows From Operating Activities				
Net loss	\$	(122,547)	\$	(46,230)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization expense		13,327		7,508
Amortization expense of acquired intangible assets		3,153		1,421
Amortization of deferred contract acquisition costs		18,123		11,425
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs		25,572		_
Non-cash operating lease costs		9,500		6,215
Stock-based compensation expense		118,565		42,242
Amortization (accretion) of investments purchased at a premium (discount)		5,446		(442)
Deferred income taxes		(981)		_
Impairment of assets		416		316
Other		59		248
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable		(24,681)		(1,432)
Deferred contract acquisition costs		(43,154)		(15,690)
Prepaid expenses, other current and noncurrent assets		6,722		(3,981)
Accounts payable		4,627		(603)
Accrued expenses, other current and noncurrent liabilities		1,733		(1,243)
Accrued compensation		(1,583)		3,475
Deferred revenue		78,884		28,820
Operating lease liabilities		(9,245)		(5,189)
Net cash provided by operating activities		83,936		26,860
Cash Flows From Investing Activities				
Purchases of property, equipment and other assets		(19,403)		(15,099)
Capitalized internal-use software		(4,272)		(4,273)
Purchases of short-term investments		(419,638)		(147,543)
Proceeds from maturities of short-term investments		283,815		126,013
Proceeds from sale of short-term investments		11,500		_
Net cash used in investing activities		(147,998)		(40,902)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities				
Proceeds from issuance of common stock upon exercise of stock options		11,245		6,758
Proceeds from issuance of common stock under the employee stock purchase plan		8,563		5,334
Payment of deferred consideration related to a business acquisition		(2,250)		_
Net cash provided by financing activities		17,558		12,092
Net decrease in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(46,504)		(1,950)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period		141,851		78,484
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	\$	95,347	\$	76,534
Reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash to the condensed consolidated balance sheets:	ψ	JJ,J + /	Ψ	70,004
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	95,347	\$	76,534
Restricted cash, current and noncurrent	Ψ	55,547	φ	/0,334
	\$	95,347	\$	76,534
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		90,04/	φ	/0,534

ZSCALER, INC. Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures (in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended January 31,				Six Months Ended January 31,				
	2021			2020		2021		2020	
Revenue	\$	157,044	\$	101,268	\$	299,622	\$	194,858	
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Non-GAAP Gross Profit and Non-GAAP Gross Margin	\$	122,909	\$	81,030	\$	233,760	¢	155.000	
GAAP gross profit Add:	Ф	122,909	Ф	01,030	Ф	255,700	\$	155,062	
Stock-based compensation expense and related payroll taxes		3,308		1,648		6,574		3,062	
Amortization expense of acquired intangible assets		1,503		205		3,007		410	
Non-GAAP gross profit	\$	127,720	\$	82,883	\$	243,341	\$	158,534	
GAAP gross margin		78 %	-	80 %	-	78 %	: <u> </u>	80 %	
Non-GAAP gross margin		81 %		82 %				81 %	
Non-GAAP Income from Operations and Non-GAAP Operating Margin									
GAAP loss from operations	\$	(53,898)	\$	(30,280)	\$	(96,565)	\$	(48,555)	
Add:									
Stock-based compensation expense and related payroll taxes		67,113		25,353		127,442		44,574	
Litigation-related expenses		_		16,334		_		18,341	
Amortization expense of acquired intangible assets		1,576		642		3,153		1,421	
Asset impairment related to facility exit ⁽¹⁾		—		316		416		316	
Non-GAAP income from operations	\$	14,791	\$	12,365	\$	34,446	\$	16,097	
GAAP operating margin		(34)%		(30)%		(32)%		(25)%	
Non-GAAP operating margin		9 %		12 %		11 %		8 %	

⁽¹⁾ Consists of asset impairment charges related to the relocation of our corporate headquarters.

ZSCALER, INC. Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures

(in thousands, except per share amounts) (unaudited)

	 Three Months Ended January 31,			 Six Mont Janua		
	2021		2020	 2021	_	2020
Non-GAAP Net Income per Share, Diluted						
GAAP net loss	\$ (67,541)	\$	(29,154)	\$ (122,547)	\$	(46,230)
Stock-based compensation expense and related payroll taxes	67,113		25,353	127,442		44,574
Litigation-related expenses	—		16,334	—		18,341
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs	12,882		—	25,572		_
Amortization expense of acquired intangible assets	1,576		642	3,153		1,421
Asset impairment related to facility exit ⁽¹⁾	—		316	416		316
Provision for income taxes ⁽²⁾	—		—	—		—
Non-GAAP net income	\$ 14,030	\$	13,491	\$ 34,036	\$	18,422
GAAP net loss per share, diluted	\$ (0.50)	\$	(0.23)	\$ (0.91)	\$	(0.36)
Stock-based compensation expense and related payroll taxes	0.46		0.19	0.88		0.33
Litigation-related expenses	—		0.12	—		0.13
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs	0.09		—	0.18		_
Amortization expense of acquired intangible assets	0.01		—	0.02		0.01
Asset impairment related to facility exit ⁽¹⁾	_		—	—		_
Provision for income taxes ⁽²⁾	_		_	_		_
Adjustment to total fully diluted earnings per share ⁽³⁾	0.04		0.02	0.07		0.02
Non-GAAP net income per share, diluted	\$ 0.10	\$	0.10	\$ 0.24	\$	0.13
Denominator:						
Weighted-average shares used in computing GAAP net loss per share, diluted	135,024		128,408	134,238		127,978
Potentially diluted shares	10,719		8,255	10,180		8,865
Antidilutive impact of capped call transactions ⁽⁴⁾	(1,120)			(317)		
Weighted-average shares used in computing non-GAAP net income per share, diluted	 144,623		136,663	 144,101		136,843
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⁽¹⁾ Consists of asset impairment charges related to the relocation of our corporate headquarters.

⁽²⁾ We use our GAAP provision for income taxes for purposes of determining our non-GAAP income tax expense. The difference between our GAAP and non-GAAP income tax expense represents the effects of stock-based compensation expense recognized in foreign jurisdictions and any income tax benefits associated with business combinations. There were no income tax benefits associated with business combinations in all periods presented. The income tax benefit related to stock-based compensation expense included in the GAAP provision for income taxes was not material for all periods presented.

⁽³⁾ The sum of the fully diluted earnings per share impact of individual reconciling items may not total to fully diluted Non-GAAP net income per share due to the weighted-average shares used in computing the GAAP net loss per share differs from the weighted-average shares used in computing the Non-GAAP net income per share and due to rounding of the individual reconciling items. The GAAP net loss per share calculation uses a lower share count as it excludes potentially dilutive shares, which are included in calculating the non-GAAP income per share.

⁽⁴⁾ We exclude the in-the-money portion of our convertible senior notes for non-GAAP weighted-average diluted shares as they are covered by our capped call transactions. Our outstanding capped call transactions are antidilutive under GAAP but are expected to mitigate the dilutive effect of our convertible notes and therefore are included in the calculations of non-GAAP diluted shares outstanding.

ZSCALER, INC. Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures (in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Three Mo Janu	onths H ary 31		Six Months Ended January 31,				
	 2021		2020		2021		2020	
Calculated Billings								
Revenue	\$ 157,044	\$	101,268	\$	299,622	\$	194,858	
Add: Total deferred revenue, end of period	446,817		280,022		446,817		280,022	
Less: Total deferred revenue, beginning of period	 (371,900)		(245,869)		(369,767)		(251,202)	
Calculated billings	\$ 231,961	\$	135,421	\$	376,672	\$	223,678	
Free Cash Flow								
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 30,404	\$	5,431	\$	83,936	\$	26,860	
Less: Purchases of property, equipment and other assets	(10,499)		(4,889)		(19,403)		(15,099)	
Less: Capitalized internal-use software	(1,871)		(2,471)		(4,272)		(4,273)	
Free cash flow	\$ 18,034	\$	(1,929)	\$	60,261	\$	7,488	
As a percentage of revenue:								
Net cash provided by operating activities	19 %		5 %		28 %		14 %	
Less: Purchases of property, equipment and other assets	(7)%		(5)%		(7)%		(8)%	
Less: Capitalized internal-use software	(1)%		(2)%		(1)%		(2)%	
Free cash flow margin	 11 %		(2)%		20 %		4 %	

ZSCALER, INC. Explanation of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to our results determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (GAAP), we believe the following non-GAAP measures are useful in evaluating our operating performance. We use the following non-GAAP financial information to evaluate our ongoing operations and for internal planning and forecasting purposes. We believe that non-GAAP financial information, when taken collectively, may be helpful to investors because it provides consistency and comparability with past financial performance. However, non-GAAP financial information is presented for supplemental informational purposes only, has limitations as an analytical tool and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for financial information presented in accordance with GAAP. In particular, free cash flow is not a substitute for cash used in operating activities. Additionally, the utility of free cash flow as a measure of our liquidity is further limited as it does not represent the total increase or decrease in our cash balance for a given period. In addition, other companies, including companies in our industry, may calculate similarly-titled non-GAAP measures differently or may use other measures to evaluate their performance, all of which could reduce the usefulness of our non-GAAP financial measures as tools for comparison. A reconciliation of our historical non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable financial measures stated in accordance with GAAP has been included in this press release. Investors are cautioned that there are a number of limitations associated with the use of non-GAAP financial measures and key metrics as analytical tools. Investors are encouraged to review these reconciliations, and not to rely on any single financial measure to evaluate our business.

Expenses Excluded from Non-GAAP Measures

Stock-based compensation expense is excluded primarily because they are non-cash expenses that management believes are not reflective of our ongoing operational performance. Effective August 1, 2020, the beginning of our fiscal year ending July 31, 2021, we have presented employer payroll taxes related to employee equity award transactions, which is a cash expense, as part of stock-based compensation expense in our non-GAAP results. These payroll taxes have been excluded from our non-GAAP results as these are tied to the timing and size of the exercise or vesting of the underlying equity awards and the price of our common stock at the time of vesting or exercise, which may vary from period to period independent of the operating performance of our business. Prior period amounts have been recasted to conform to this presentation. Amortization expense of acquired intangible assets is excluded because these are considered by management to be outside of our core business operating performance. Asset impairments related to facility exit costs are excluded because they are non-cash expenses and are not reflective of our ongoing operational performance. Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs from our convertible senior notes are excluded because they are non-cash expenses and are not reflective of our ongoing operational performance. We also exclude certain litigation-related expenses consisting of professional fees and related costs incurred by us in defending against significant claims that we deem not to be in the ordinary course of our business and, if applicable, actual losses and accruals related to estimated losses in connection with these claims. There are many uncertainties and potential outcomes associated with any litigation, including the expense of litigation, timing of such expenses, court rulings, unforeseen developments, complications and delays, each of which may affect our results of operations from period to period, as well as the unknown magnitude of the potential loss relating to any laws

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Non-GAAP Gross Profit and Non-GAAP Gross Margin. We define non-GAAP gross profit as GAAP gross profit excluding stock-based compensation expense and related payroll taxes and amortization expense of acquired intangible assets. We define non-GAAP gross margin as non-GAAP gross profit as a percentage of revenue.

Non-GAAP Income from Operations and Non-GAAP Operating Margin. We define non-GAAP income from operations as GAAP loss from operations excluding stockbased compensation expense and related payroll taxes, amortization expense of acquired intangible assets, asset impairment related to facility exit and certain litigation-related expenses. We define non-GAAP operating margin as non-GAAP income from operations as a percentage of revenue.

Non-GAAP Net Income per Share, Diluted. We define non-GAAP net income as GAAP net loss plus stock-based compensation expense and related payroll taxes, amortization expense of acquired intangible assets, asset impairment related to facility exit, amortization of debt discount and issuance costs, certain litigation-related expenses, income tax effects generated by the effects of stock-based compensation expense recognized in foreign jurisdictions and any income tax benefits associated with business combinations. We define non-GAAP net income per share, diluted, as non-GAAP net income divided by the weighted-average diluted shares outstanding, which includes the dilutive effect of potentially diluted common stock equivalents outstanding during the period and the antidilutive impact of the capped call transactions entered into in connection with our convertible senior notes issued in June 2020.

Free Cash Flow and Free Cash Flow Margin. We define free cash flow as net cash provided by operating activities less purchases of property, equipment and other assets and capitalized internal-use software. We define free cash flow margin as free cash flow divided by revenue. We believe that free cash flow and free cash flow margin are meaningful indicators of liquidity information to management and investors about the amount of cash generated from our operations that, after the investments in property, equipment and other assets and capitalized internal-use software, can be used for strategic initiatives.

Calculated Billings. We define calculated billings as total revenue plus the change in deferred revenue in a period. Calculated billings in any particular period aims to reflect amounts invoiced for subscriptions to access our cloud platform, together with related support services related to our new and existing customers. We typically invoice our customers annually in advance, and to a lesser extent quarterly in advance, monthly in advance or multi-year in advance.