

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): August 13, 2015

AVID TECHNOLOGY, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-36254
(Commission File Number)

04-2977748
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

75 Network Drive, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(978) 640-6789
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On August 13, 2015, the Company will participate in, and give a presentation at, the Canaccord Genuity Growth Conference. A copy of the presentation deck that will be used by the Company as part of its presentation is included as an exhibit hereto.

Limitation on Incorporation by Reference. The information furnished in this Item 7.01 and the exhibit relating thereto, shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements. Except for historical information contained in this Form 8-K and the presentation deck attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto, the Form 8-K and presentation deck contain forward-looking statements that involve certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these statements. Please refer to the cautionary notes in the presentation deck regarding these forward-looking statements.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following exhibit relating to Item 7.01 shall be deemed to be furnished, and not filed:

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1*	Presentation Deck dated August 13, 2015

*Document furnished herewith

SIGNATURE

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.

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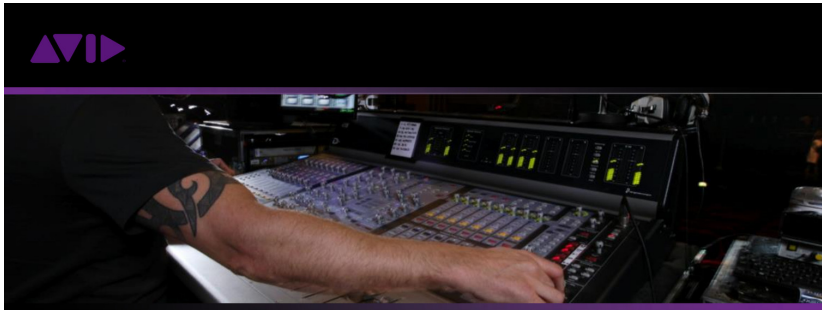
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Date: August 13, 2015

By: /s/ John W. Frederick

Name: John W. Frederick

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Administrative Officer



Avid Business Update

August 13, 2015

Safe Harbor & Non-GAAP Measures

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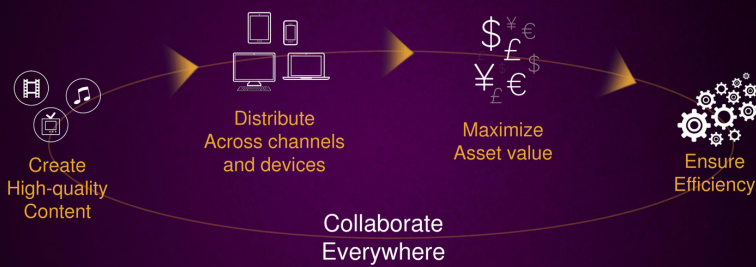
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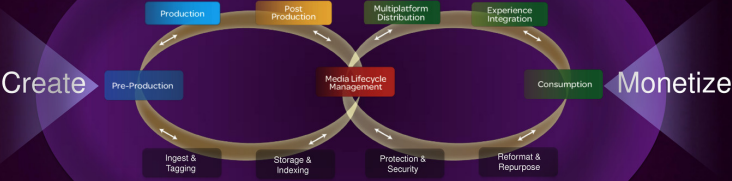
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Avid MediaCentral Platform



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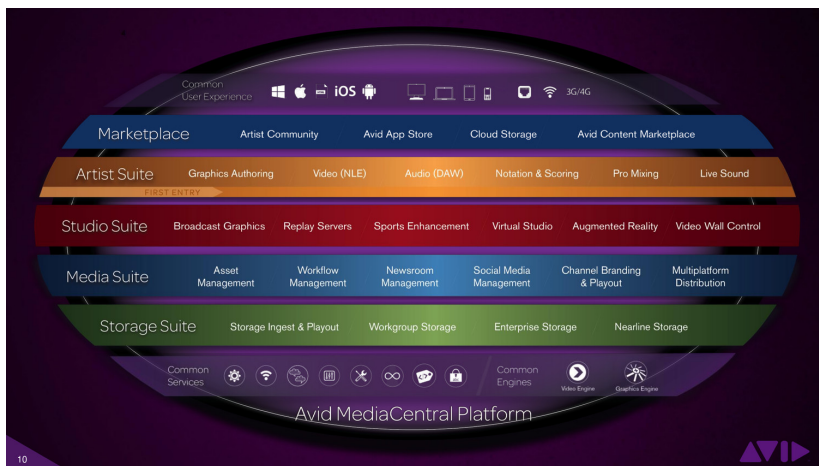
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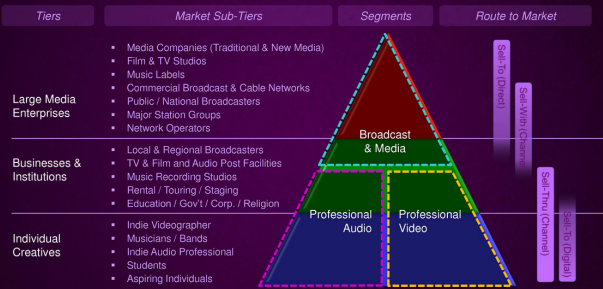


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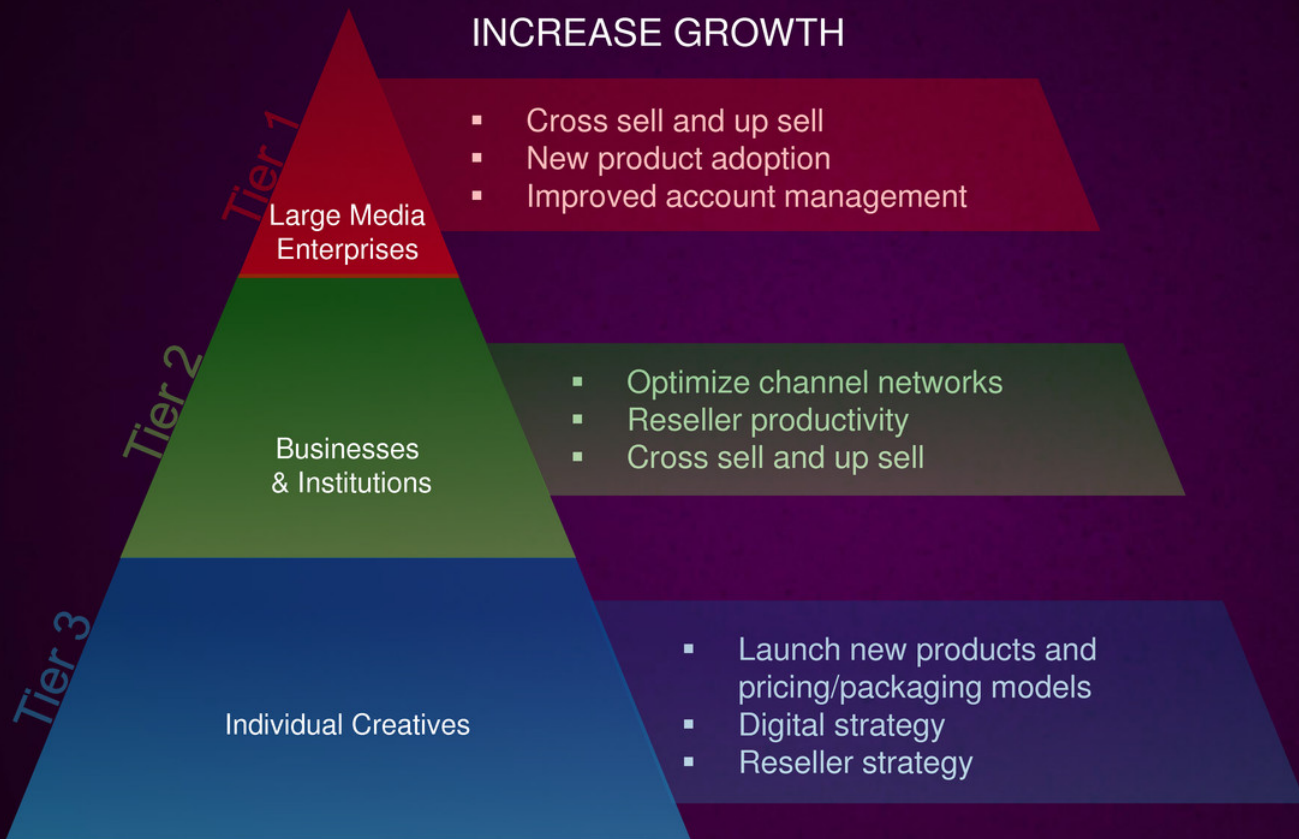
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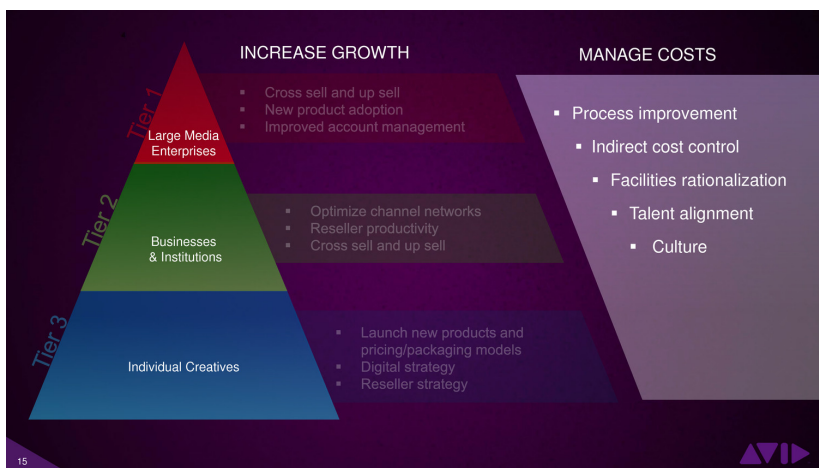


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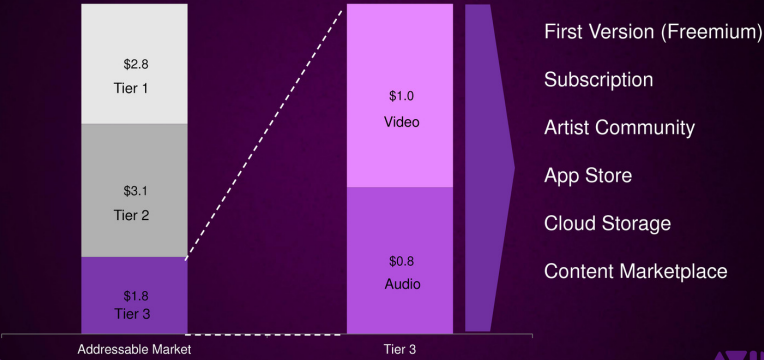


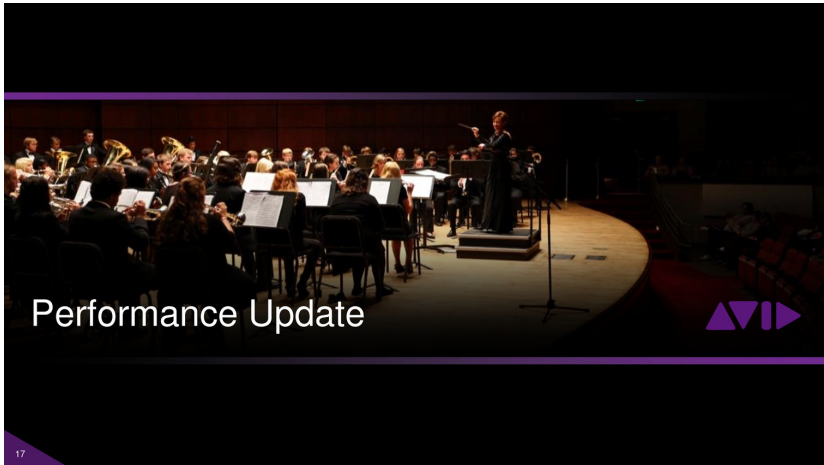
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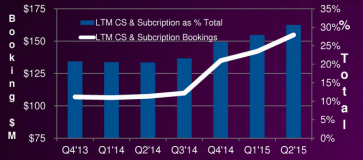
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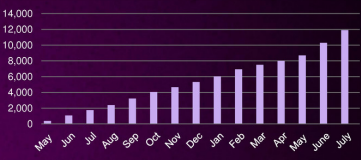


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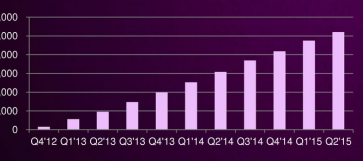
Shift to recurring revenue model



Subscribers



MediaCentral Users

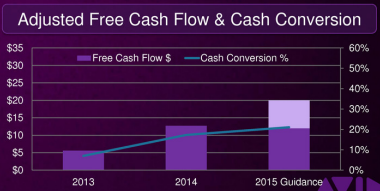
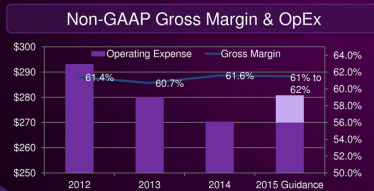
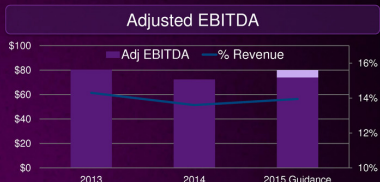


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Growth and Visibility on a Scalable Operating Model

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Revenue		Direct	Reseller	Digital
	Media Central platform adoption enabling cross-selling of existing product suite	✓	✓	
	Expand cross-sell through natural extensions of current product suite	✓	✓	
	Sell new products beyond our traditional workflows all the way to consumption	✓	✓	
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	Enter the Tier III market aggressively via cloud subscription and marketplace		✓	✓

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Avid is...

A premier provider of technology solutions to create, manage, distribute, and monetize media content


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... But the industry evolved
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...Avid initially refused to make that shift, staying stubbornly siloed in the creative suite...



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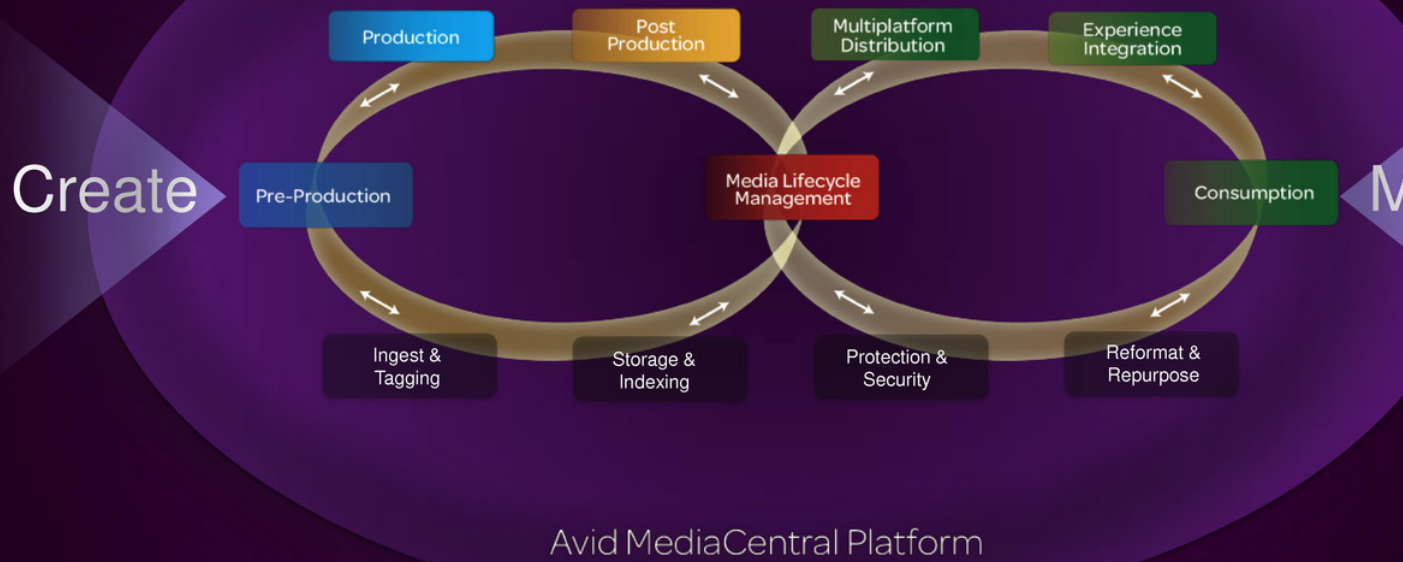


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Common
User Experience



iOS



3G/4G

Marketplace

Artist Community

Avid App Store

Cloud Storage

Avid Content Marketplace

Artist Suite

Graphics Authoring

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Audio (DAW)

Notation & Scoring

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FIRST ENTRY

Studio Suite

Broadcast Graphics

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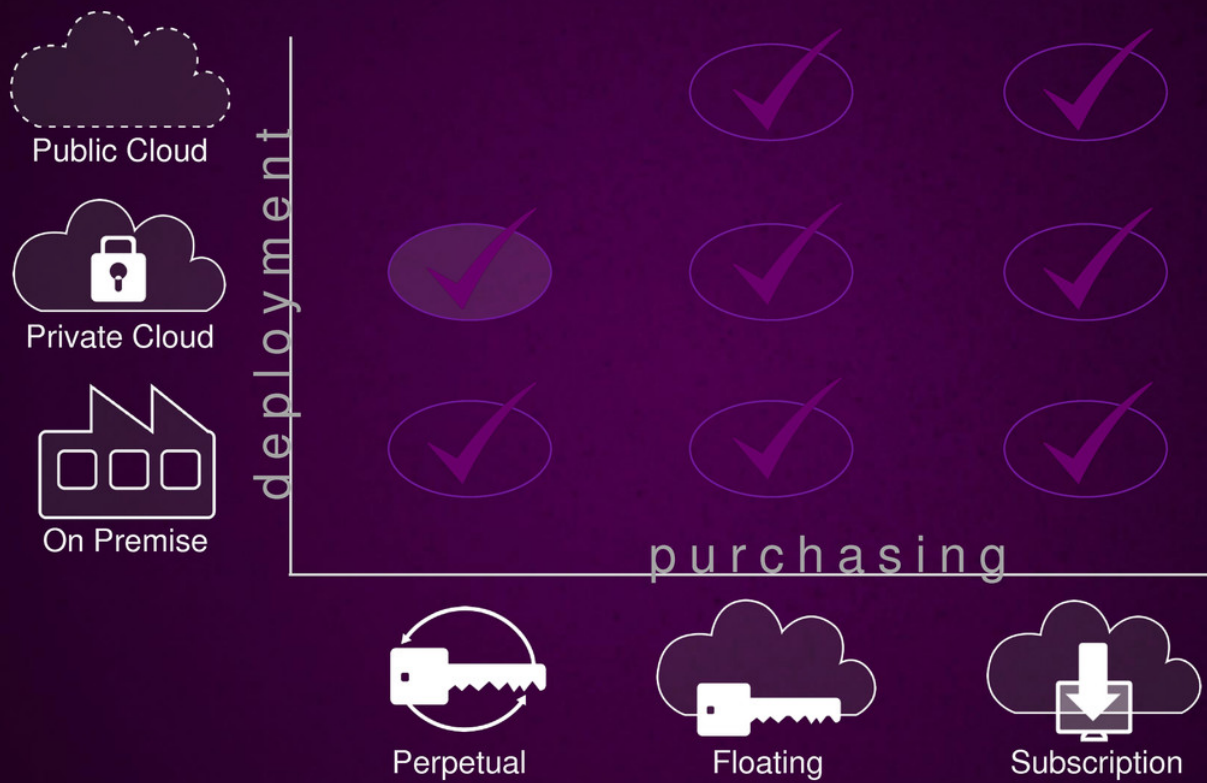
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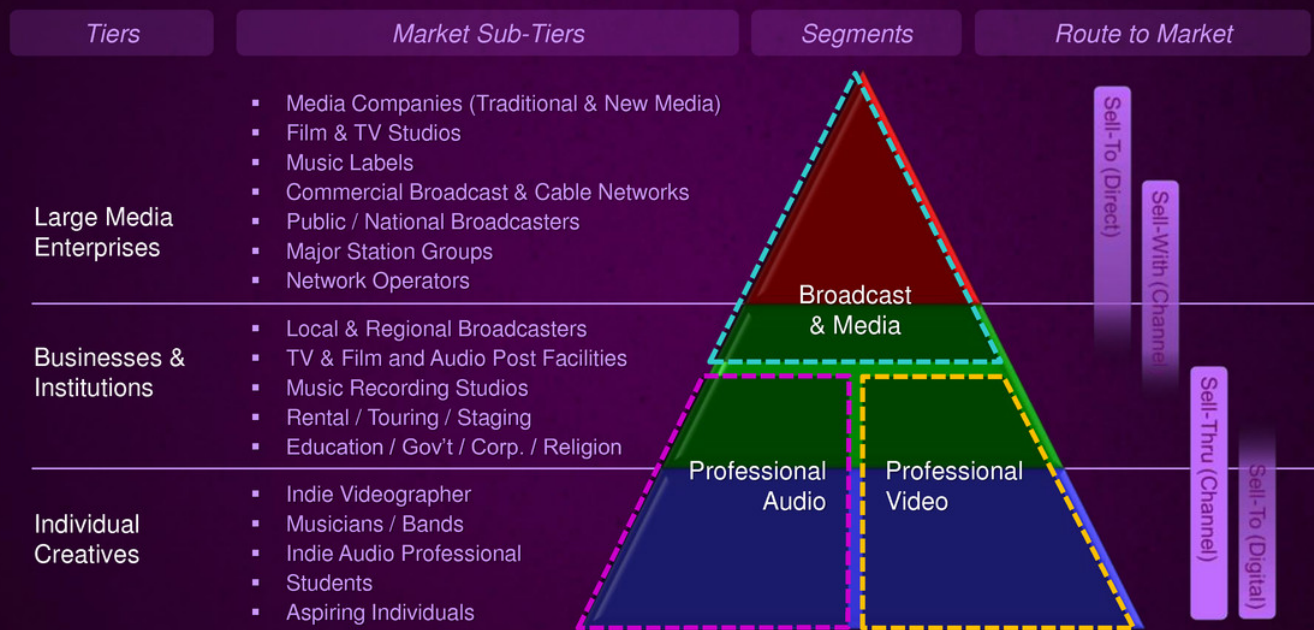
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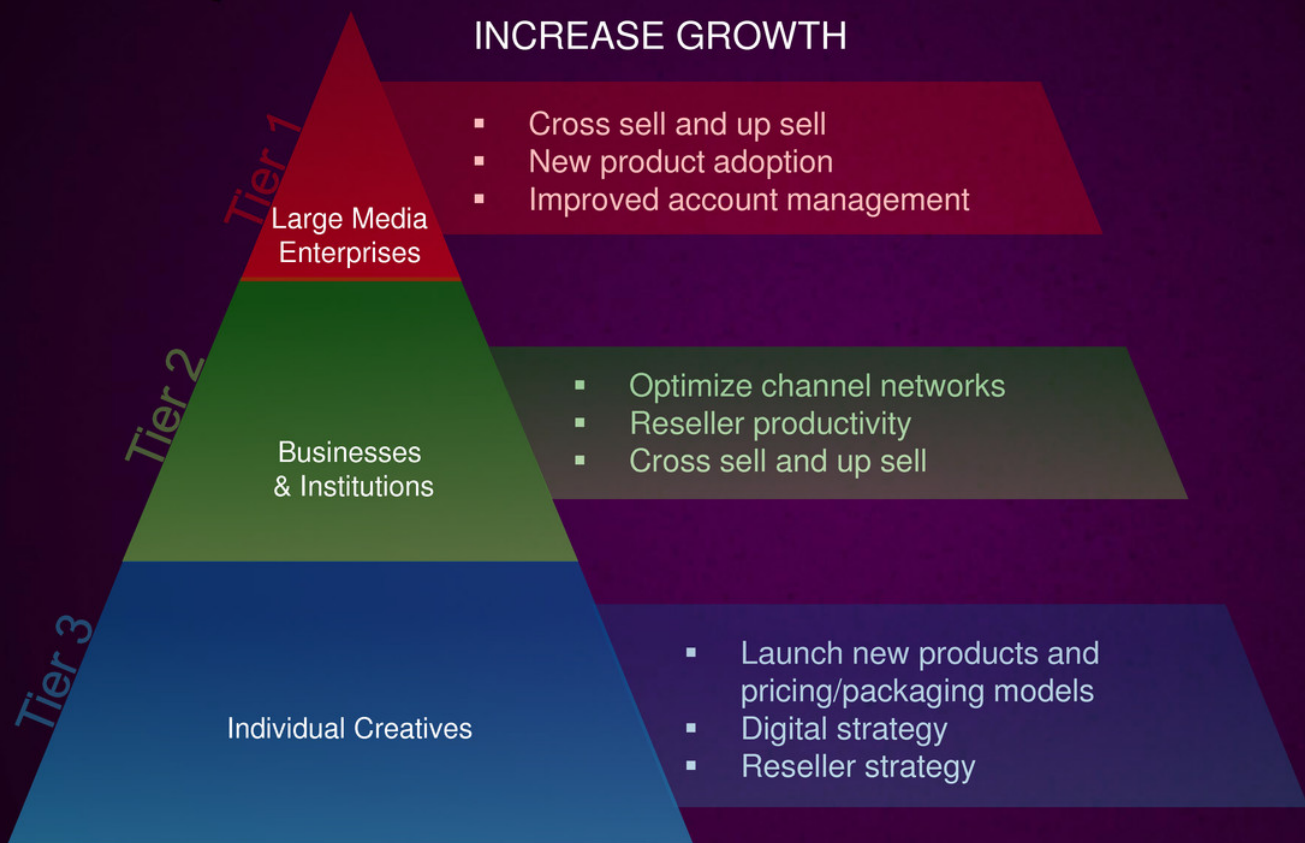
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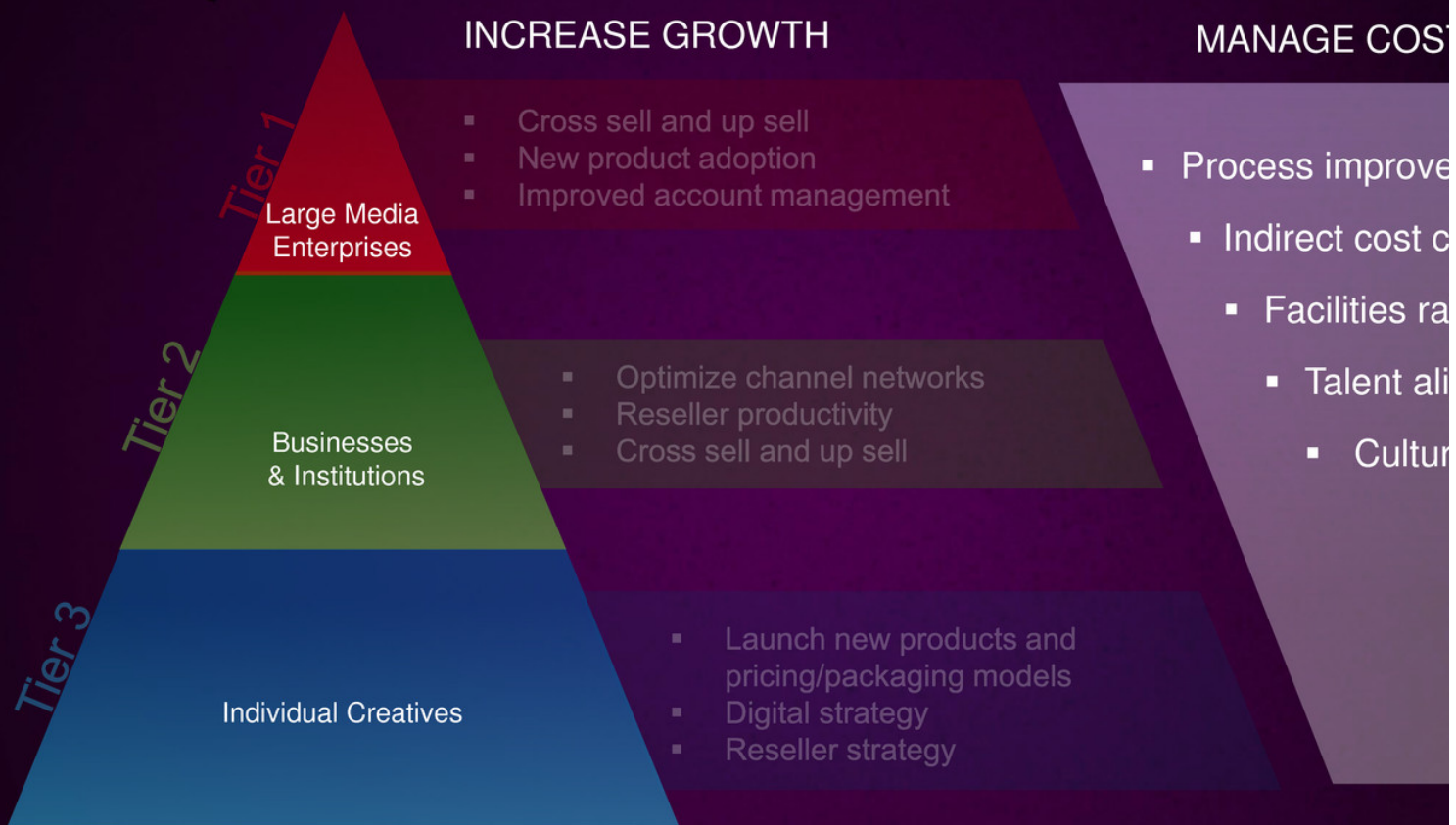


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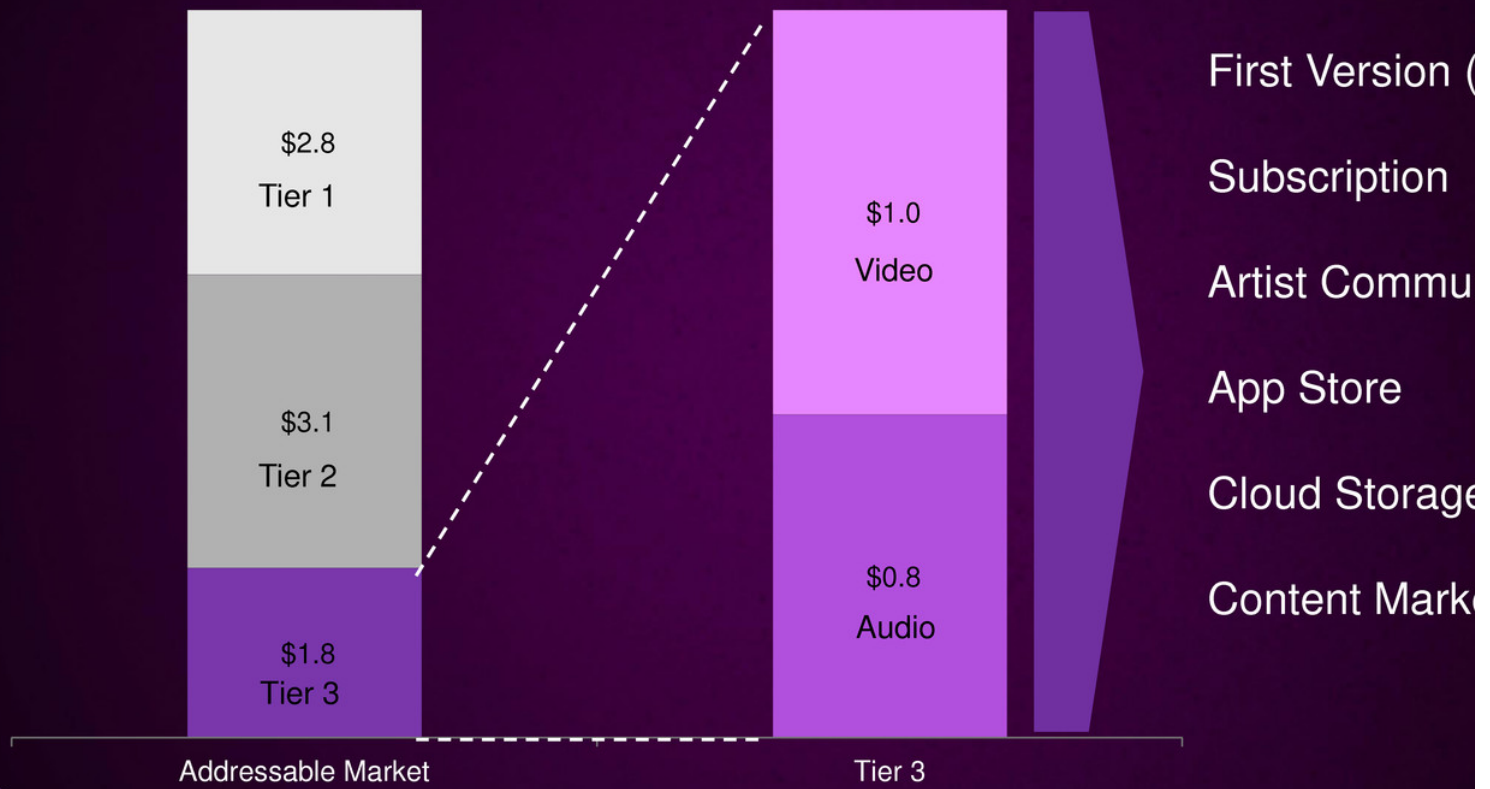


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MANAGE COST



Tier 3 Market Opportunity (\$B)



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Performance Update

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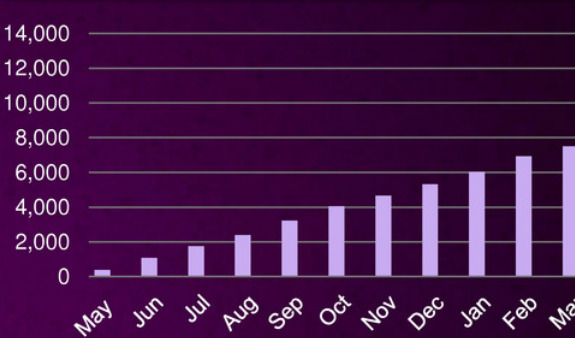
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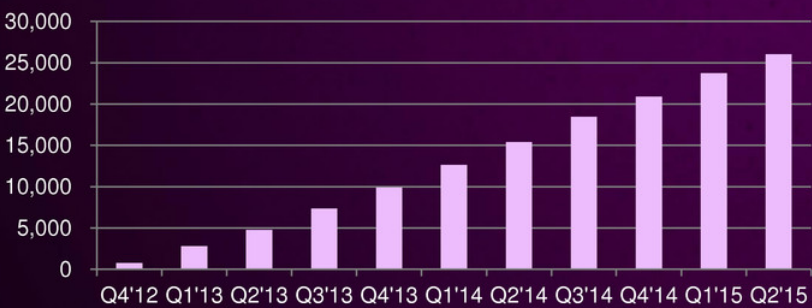
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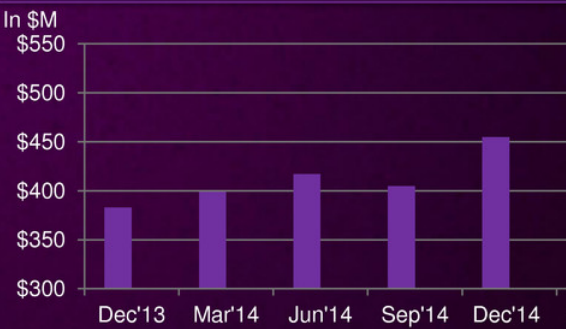
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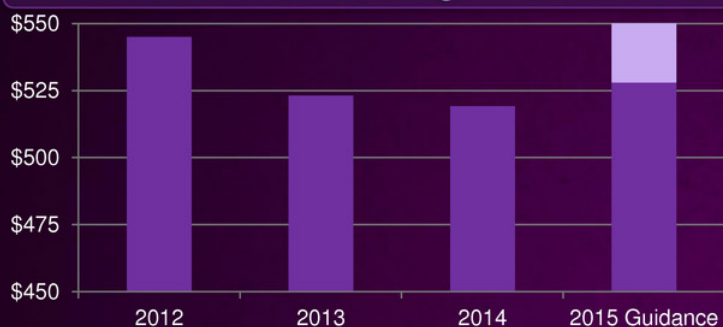
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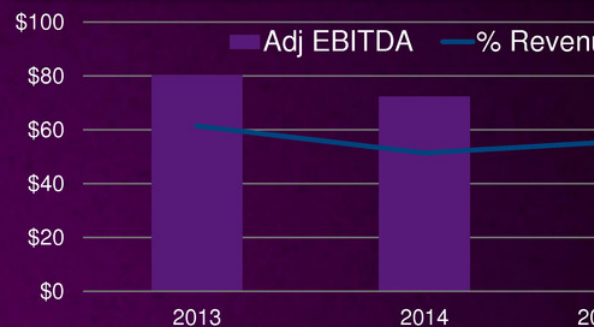
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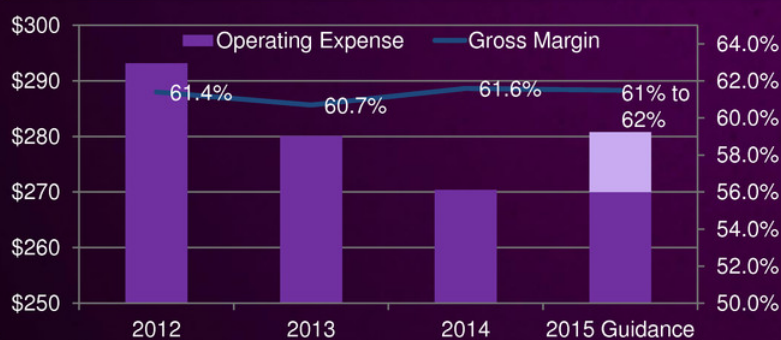
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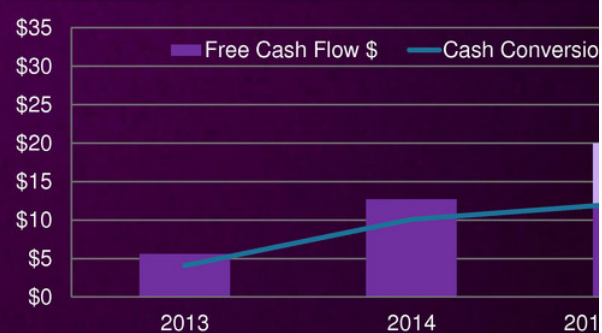


Non-GAAP Gross Margin & OpEx



Note: 2015 Guidance includes impact of Orad Acquisition from June 23, 2015

Adjusted Free Cash Flow & Cash



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