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Inspire passion, unleash creativity, and realize dreams in a digital world



Helping people create the most listened to, most watched, and most loved media in the world

Focus On Revenue Growth & Profitability

- Move beyond "get healthy" to "building momentum" and "unlocking new sources of growth"
- 2010 showed a return to top line growth and profit
 - Strongest YoY revenue growth since 2006
 - First non-GAAP operating profit since 2007
 - Highest gross margins since 2005
- Macro environment improved, with signs of optimism
- Customers are engaged
- Delivering on our strategy
- Off to a solid start in Q1 2011



Moving Beyond "Get Healthy" Phase



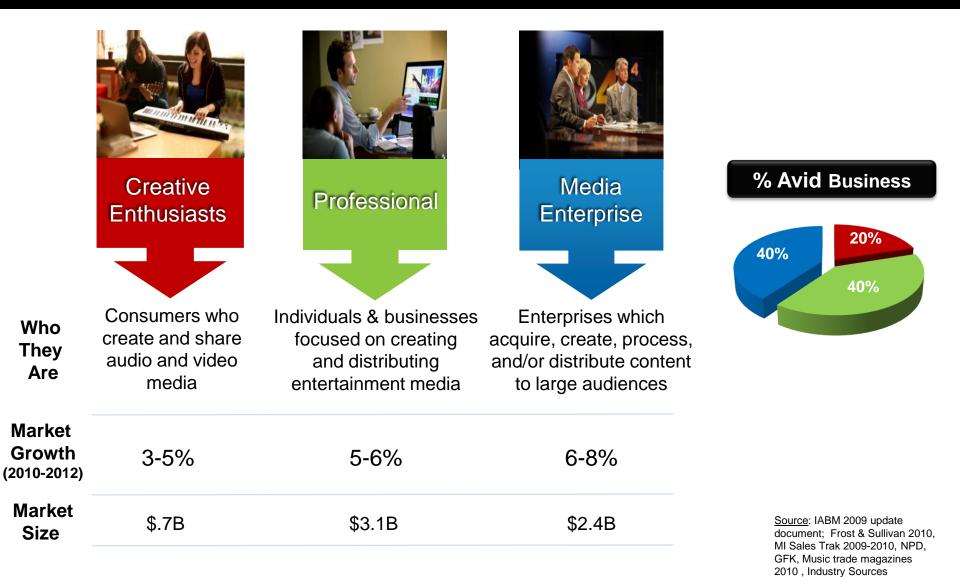
- ✓ Realigned cost structure
- ✓ Reinstituted customer focus
- ✓ Delivered one face to customers
- ✓ Become more open
- ✓ Invested in innovation
- ✓ Strengthened our workflows
- ✓ Improved reliability
- ✓ Targeted select M&A
- ✓ Returned to profit

Avid Audio & Video Offerings





Our Customer Segments: \$6B Opportunity



Market Dynamics

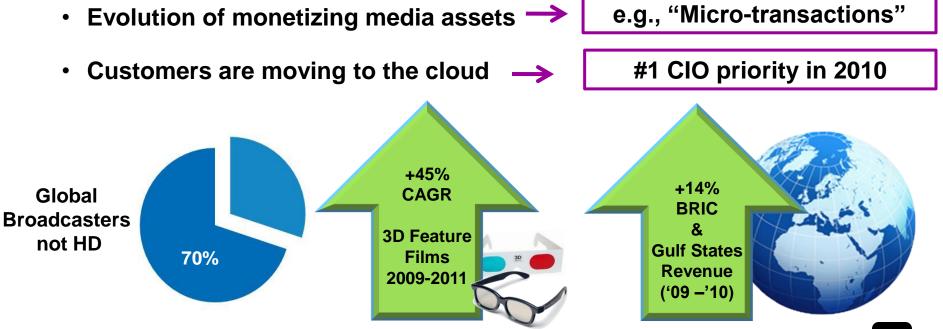


- Fragmented competition
- No single competitor has Avid's breadth of media creation tools and best-of-breed open workflows



The Media Industry in 2011

- Rapid increase in creation of enterprise media
- IT and Broadcast solutions are converging
- HD and file-based are rising
- 3D Opportunity is exploding
- Emerging markets growing at rate up to 2X other countries







Momentum & Leadership









Drive customer success

From enthusiast to enterprise

Fluid, dependable workflows

Collaborative support

Avid optimized in an open ecosystem



Financial Review



Revenue Growth

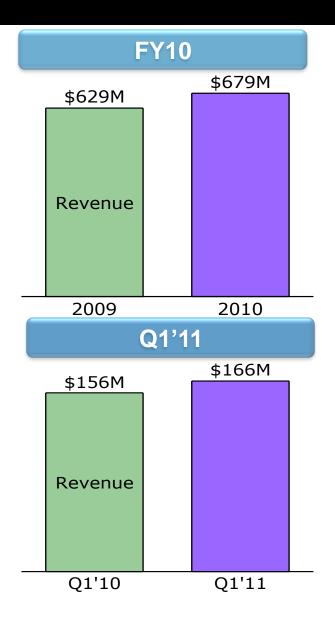


Fiscal Year 2010

- Revenue up 8% YoY for FY10
- Audio up 11% → Live Sound & Pro Tools V9
- Video up 6% → Video products up 10%
- Growth in America & Asia, EMEA down slightly
- Several new products → ISIS 5000, Pro Tools V9, Media Composer V5.5
- Macro factors stabilized, signs of improvement

Q1 2011

- Revenue up 7% YoY
- Q1 revenue in line with seasonal expectations
- Video up 12% → video products up 16%
- Audio Q1 flat YoY
- Growth in all geographies
- Growth in products & services



Gross Margin & Operating Profit



Non-GAAP Gross Margin

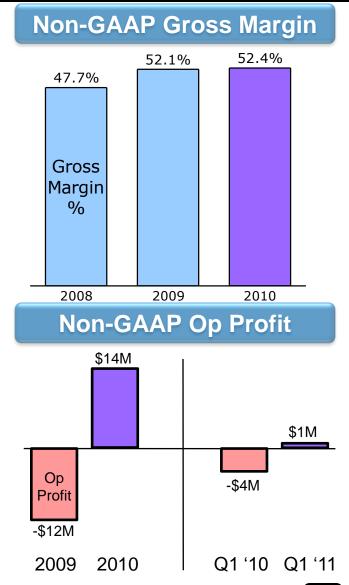
- Steady improvement \rightarrow highest levels since 2005
- Up again in Q1 of 2011
- Product mix and leveraging scale
- Reduction of 'fixed' overhead
- Product & service margins are up

Non-GAAP Operating expense

- Reduced by over \$80 million since 2008
- Continue to improve productivity
- Get healthy behinds us
- Operating leverage moving forward

Non-GAAP Operating Profit

- Return to profitability in 2010 \rightarrow 1st time since 2007
- Q1'11 3rd sequential quarter of "non-GAAP profit"
- First quarter 2011 represents best start since 2007
- Q1 contribution is low due to seasonality of revenue

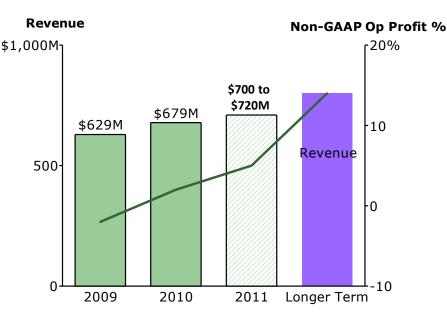


Targeting Top & Bottom Line Growth



2011 Guidance as of <u>April 21, 2011</u>

- Revenue Range: \$700 to \$720 million
- Non-GAAP operating margin of 5% of revenue
- Taxes and interest of \$6 to \$8 million
- Non-GAAP excludes GAAP charges of \$23 to \$28 million
- GAAP net income at mid-point of the range



Longer-term model

- Longer-term goal is mid-teen non-GAAP operating margins
- Operating leverage \rightarrow 50%+ operating profit on incremental revenue
- Continued focus on improving gross margin & optimizing business model
- Assumes revenue growth
- NOL carry-forwards will minimize cash tax impact

* Note: the GAAP to non GAAP reconciliation is available on <u>www.ir.avid.com</u> in our quarterly earning press releases

In Summary



- Moving beyond 'get healthy' phase
- Positive signs our markets are stabilizing
- Market leading products and solutions position us for revenue growth
- Expanding gross margins
- Infrastructure in place → continue to improve operating margin leverage
- Meaningful step forward in 2011 towards our long-term model

