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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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x **QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2011

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: 000-51447

EXPEDIA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

20-2705720
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

333 108th Avenue NE

Bellevue, WA 98004

(Address of principal executive office) (Zip Code)

(425) 679-7200

(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. 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 whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Smaller reporting company	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Do not check if a 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 ☐ No ☒

The number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock as of October 14, 2011 was:

Common stock, \$0.001 par value per share	241,425,892 shares
Class B common stock, \$0.001 par value per share	25,599,998 shares

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(In thousands, except for per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Revenue	\$ 1,140,835	\$ 987,860	\$ 2,986,646	\$ 2,539,739
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of revenue (1)	209,677	190,033	586,063	516,634
Selling and marketing (1)	408,102	344,019	1,143,229	921,687
Technology and content (1)	116,877	93,297	330,222	267,508
General and administrative (1)	103,745	75,581	271,283	225,744
Amortization of intangible assets	7,959	8,126	22,956	25,498
Spin-off costs	4,430		6,538	
Legal reserves and occupancy tax assessments	692		1,792	
Operating income	289,353	276,804	624,563	582,668
Other income (expense):				
Interest income	5,893	2,454	14,855	4,270
Interest expense	(32,049)	(26,993)	(94,532)	(68,405)
Other, net	7,988	(13,657)	(3,176)	(12,272)
Total other expense, net	(18,168)	(38,196)	(82,853)	(76,407)
Income before income taxes	271,185	238,608	541,710	506,261
Provision for income taxes	(60,779)	(60,584)	(138,205)	(152,285)
Net income	210,406	178,024	403,505	353,976
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(872)	(1,474)	(1,539)	(3,769)
Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc.	\$ 209,534	\$ 176,550	\$ 401,966	\$ 350,207
Earnings per share attributable to Expedia, Inc. available to common stockholders:				
Basic	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.63	\$ 1.47	\$ 1.23
Diluted	0.75	0.62	1.44	1.21
Shares used in computing earnings per share:				
Basic	272,352	281,215	273,263	284,608
Diluted	279,368	286,284	278,541	289,893
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.21

(1) Includes stock-based compensation as follows:

Cost of revenue	\$ 584	\$ 549	\$ 1,975	\$ 1,825
Selling and marketing	2,991	3,027	10,173	10,462
Technology and content	3,732	3,210	11,812	10,840

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General and administrative	7,752	6,235	21,852	23,437
	<i>See accompanying notes.</i>			

Table of Contents**EXPEDIA, INC.****CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(In thousands, except per share data)

	September 30, 2011 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2010
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,453,508	\$ 714,332
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	18,555	14,215
Short-term investments	552,411	515,627
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$15,192 and \$12,114	431,064	328,468
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	142,635	128,985
Total current assets	2,598,173	1,701,627
Property and equipment, net	340,972	277,061
Long-term investments and other assets	305,129	232,239
Intangible assets, net	779,248	797,707
Goodwill	3,653,161	3,642,360
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 7,676,683	\$ 6,650,994
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable, merchant	\$ 893,668	\$ 700,730
Accounts payable, other	213,201	181,765
Deferred merchant bookings	1,051,226	654,632
Deferred revenue	36,477	29,466
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	421,697	322,827
Total current liabilities	2,616,269	1,889,420
Long-term debt	1,645,414	1,644,894
Deferred income taxes, net	258,326	248,461
Other long-term liabilities	118,654	131,516
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock \$.001 par value		
Authorized shares: 100,000		
Series A shares issued and outstanding: 1 and 1		
Common stock \$.001 par value	351	348
Authorized shares: 1,600,000		
Shares issued: 351,523 and 348,416		
Shares outstanding: 243,464 and 248,347		
Class B common stock \$.001 par value	26	26
Authorized shares: 400,000		
Shares issued and outstanding: 25,600 and 25,600		
Additional paid-in capital	6,153,688	6,116,697
Treasury stock - Common stock, at cost	(2,449,884)	(2,241,191)
Shares: 108,059 and 100,069		

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Retained earnings (deficit)	(792,567)	(1,194,533)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(13,819)	(8,803)
Total Expedia, Inc. stockholders' equity	2,897,795	2,672,544
Noncontrolling interest	140,225	64,159
Total stockholders' equity	3,038,020	2,736,703
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 7,676,683	\$ 6,650,994

See accompanying notes.

Table of Contents**EXPEDIA, INC.****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

(In thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2011	2010
Operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 403,505	\$ 353,976
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation of property and equipment, including internal-use software and website development	110,873	86,605
Amortization of stock-based compensation	45,812	46,564
Amortization of intangible assets	22,956	25,498
Deferred income taxes	7,202	8,975
Foreign exchange loss on cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments, net	18,478	8,180
Realized (gain) loss on foreign currency forwards	8,117	(7,170)
Other	10,694	8,300
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable	(103,402)	(113,742)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(33,369)	(33,734)
Accounts payable, merchant	193,010	171,300
Accounts payable, other, accrued expenses and other current liabilities	138,158	36,176
Deferred merchant bookings	396,480	334,776
Deferred revenue	6,976	12,013
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,225,490	937,717
Investing activities:		
Capital expenditures, including internal-use software and website development	(173,895)	(113,324)
Purchases of investments	(1,179,555)	(803,575)
Sales and maturities of investments	1,066,751	93,412
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(15,970)	(36,353)
Net settlement of foreign currency forwards	(8,117)	7,170
Other, net	1,039	3,458
Net cash used in investing activities	(309,747)	(849,212)
Financing activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net of issuance costs		742,994
Treasury stock activity	(208,693)	(394,403)
Payment of dividends to stockholders	(57,732)	(59,825)
Proceeds from exercise of equity awards	23,127	38,941
Sales (purchases) of interest in controlled subsidiaries, net	70,626	(77,859)
Excess tax benefit on equity awards	6,892	6,475
Changes in restricted cash and cash equivalents	(4,011)	(971)
Other, net	6,503	(14,360)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(163,288)	240,992
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(13,279)	(21,170)

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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	739,176	308,327
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	714,332	642,544
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 1,453,508	\$ 950,871
Supplemental cash flow information		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 120,907	\$ 75,379
Income tax payments, net	47,674	130,343

See accompanying notes.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

September 30, 2011

(Unaudited)

Note 1 Basis of Presentation

Description of Business

Expedia, Inc. and its subsidiaries provide travel products and services to leisure and corporate travelers in the United States and abroad as well as various media and advertising offerings to travel and non-travel advertisers. These travel products and services are offered through a diversified portfolio of brands including: Expedia.com®, Hotels.com®, Hotwire.com™, TripAdvisor® Media Group, Expedia® Affiliate Network, Classic Vacations, Expedia Local Expert, Egencia™, Expedia® CruiseShipCenters®, eLong™, Inc. (eLong) and Venere Net SpA (Venere). In addition, many of these brands have related international points of sale. We refer to Expedia, Inc. and its subsidiaries collectively as Expedia, the Company, us, we and our in these consolidated financial statements.

Spin-off

On April 7, 2011, we announced a plan to separate Expedia, Inc. into two publicly traded companies:

TripAdvisor, which will include the domestic and international operations associated with the TripAdvisor Media Group, which includes its flagship brand as well as 18 other travel media brands, and

Expedia, Inc., which will continue to include the domestic and international operations of our travel transaction brands including Expedia.com, Hotels.com, eLong, Hotwire, Egencia, Expedia Affiliate Network, CruiseShipCenters, Venere, Classic Vacations and carrentals.com.

The transaction is subject to final approval by our Board of Directors and we expect to receive a favorable private letter ruling from the Internal Revenue Service on the tax-free nature of the spin-off. In addition, it is expected that we will seek stockholder approval of the transaction. The proposed spin-off is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2011. Non-recurring expenses incurred to affect the spin-off of TripAdvisor during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 have been included within spin-off costs in the statement of operations.

Basis of Presentation

These accompanying financial statements present our results of operations, financial position and cash flows on a consolidated basis. The unaudited consolidated financial statements include Expedia, Inc., our wholly-owned subsidiaries, and entities we control, or in which we have a variable interest and are the primary beneficiary of expected cash profits or losses. We have eliminated significant intercompany transactions and accounts.

We have prepared the accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) for interim financial reporting. We have included all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the results of the interim period. These adjustments consist of normal recurring items. Our interim unaudited consolidated financial statements are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for any other interim period or for the full year. These interim unaudited consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

Accounting Estimates

We use estimates and assumptions in the preparation of our interim unaudited consolidated financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure

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of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of our interim unaudited consolidated financial statements. These estimates and assumptions also affect the reported amount of net income during any period. Our actual financial results could differ significantly from these estimates. The significant estimates underlying our interim unaudited consolidated financial statements include revenue recognition; recoverability of current and long-lived assets, intangible assets and goodwill; income and indirect taxes, such as potential settlements related to occupancy taxes; loss contingencies; stock-based compensation and accounting for derivative instruments.

Reclassifications

We have reclassified certain amounts related to our prior period results to conform to our current period presentation.

Seasonality

We generally experience seasonal fluctuations in the demand for our travel products and services. For example, traditional leisure travel bookings are generally the highest in the first three quarters as travelers plan and book their spring, summer and holiday travel. The number of bookings typically decreases in the fourth quarter. Because revenue in our merchant business is generally recognized when the travel takes place rather than when it is booked, revenue typically lags bookings by several weeks or longer. As a result, revenue is typically the lowest in the first quarter and highest in the third quarter.

Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

On January 1, 2011, we adopted the new Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) guidance on revenue recognition which requires companies to allocate revenue in multiple-element arrangements based on an element's estimated selling price if vendor-specific or other third-party evidence of value is not available. The adoption of this guidance did not materially impact our consolidated financial statements.

In September 2011, the FASB issued updated guidance on the periodic testing of goodwill for impairment. This guidance allows companies to assess qualitative factors to determine if it is more-likely-than-not that goodwill might be impaired and whether it is necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test required under current accounting standards. This guidance is applicable for annual and interim goodwill impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. On October 1, 2011, we early adopted this guidance and our adoption did not materially impact our consolidated financial statements.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2011, the FASB issued new guidance on the presentation of comprehensive income. Specifically, the new guidance allows an entity to present components of net income and other comprehensive income in one continuous statement, referred to as the statement of comprehensive income, or in two separate, but consecutive statements. The new guidance eliminates the current option to report other comprehensive income and its components in the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. While the new guidance changes the presentation of comprehensive income, there are no changes to the components that are recognized in net income or other comprehensive income from that of current accounting guidance. This new guidance is effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011. Upon adoption, we will present our consolidated financial statements under this new guidance.

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Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2011 are classified using the fair value hierarchy in the table below:

	Total	Level 1 (In thousands)	Level 2
Assets			
Cash equivalents:			
Money market funds	\$ 619,662	\$ 619,662	\$
Time deposits	173,305		173,305
Derivatives:			
Foreign currency forward contracts	4,505		4,505
Investments:			
Time deposits	483,041		483,041
Corporate debt securities	288,860		288,860
 Total assets	 \$ 1,569,373	 \$ 619,662	 \$ 949,711

Financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2010 are classified using the fair value hierarchy in the table below:

	Total	Level 1 (In thousands)	Level 2
Assets			
Cash equivalents:			
Money market funds	\$ 359,169	\$ 359,169	\$
Investments:			
Time deposits	434,315		434,315
Corporate debt securities	243,963		243,963
 Total assets	 \$ 1,037,447	 \$ 359,169	 \$ 678,278
Liabilities			
Foreign currency forward contracts	\$ 1,431	\$	\$ 1,431

We classify our cash equivalents and investments within Level 1 and Level 2 as we value our cash equivalents and investments using quoted market prices or alternative pricing sources and models utilizing market observable inputs. Valuation of the foreign currency forward contracts is based on foreign currency exchange rates in active markets, a Level 2 input.

As of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, our cash and cash equivalents consisted primarily of prime institutional money market funds with maturities of 90 days or less, time deposits as well as bank account balances.

We invest in investment grade corporate debt securities, all of which are classified as available for sale. As of September 30, 2011, we had \$69 million of short-term and \$220 million of long-term available for sale investments and the amortized cost basis of the investments approximated their fair value with gross unrealized gains of \$2 million and gross unrealized losses of \$1 million. As of December 31, 2010, we had \$81 million of short-term and \$163 million of long-term available for sale investments and the amortized cost basis of these investments

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approximated their fair value with gross unrealized gains of \$1 million and gross unrealized losses of less than \$1 million.

We also hold time deposit investments with financial institutions. Time deposits with original maturities of less than 90 days are classified as cash equivalents and those with remaining maturities of less than one year are classified within short-term investments. Of the total time deposit investments, \$85 million and \$88 million as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 related to balances held by our majority-owned subsidiaries.

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Derivative instruments are carried at fair value on our consolidated balance sheets. We use foreign currency forward contracts to economically hedge certain merchant revenue exposures and in lieu of holding certain foreign currency cash for the purpose of economically hedging our foreign currency-denominated operating liabilities. Our goal in managing our foreign exchange risk is to reduce, to the extent practicable, our potential exposure to the changes that exchange rates might have on our earnings, cash flows and financial position. Our foreign currency forward contracts are typically short-term and, as they do not qualify for hedge accounting treatment, we classify the changes in their fair value in other, net. As of September 30, 2011, we were party to outstanding forward contracts hedging our liability and revenue exposures with a total net notional value of \$149 million. We had a net forward asset of \$5 million as of September 30, 2011 recorded in prepaid expenses and other current assets and a net forward liability of \$1 million as of December 31, 2010 recorded in accrued expenses and other current liabilities. We recorded \$5 million and \$4 million in net gains from foreign currency forward contracts during each of the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, and less than \$1 million in net losses and \$5 million in net gains for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010.

Note 4 Debt

The following table sets forth our outstanding debt:

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(In thousands)	
8.5% senior notes due 2016, net of discount	\$ 396,149	\$ 395,673
7.456% senior notes due 2018	500,000	500,000
5.95% senior notes due 2020, net of discount	749,265	749,221
Long-term debt	\$ 1,645,414	\$ 1,644,894

Long-term Debt

Our \$400 million of senior unsecured notes outstanding at September 30, 2011 are due in July 2016 and bear interest at 8.5% (the "8.5% Notes"). The 8.5% Notes were issued at 98.572% of par resulting in a discount, which is being amortized over their life. Interest is payable semi-annually in January and July of each year. The 8.5% Notes include covenants that limit our ability under certain circumstances to (i) incur additional indebtedness, (ii) pay dividends or make restricted payments, (iii) dispose of assets, (iv) create or incur liens, (v) enter into sale/leaseback transactions and (vi) merge or consolidate with or into another entity. Certain of these covenants in the 8.5% Notes, including the covenants limiting under certain circumstances our ability to incur additional indebtedness, pay dividends or make restricted payments and dispose of assets, will be suspended during any time that the 8.5% Notes have an investment grade rating from both Standard and Poor's and Moody's and no default exists under the 8.5% Note indenture. The 8.5% Notes are repayable in whole or in part upon the occurrence of a change of control, at the option of the holders, at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the principal plus accrued interest. We may redeem the 8.5% Notes prior to July 1, 2012 at our option in whole or in part any time at a specified "make-whole" premium. On or after July 1, 2012, we may redeem the 8.5% Notes in whole or in part at specified prices ranging from 104.250% to 100% of the principal plus accrued interest. In connection with the spin-off, we anticipate that we will redeem the 8.5% Notes and, prior to consummation of the spin-off, the 8.5% Notes will have been discharged or defeased.

Our \$500 million in registered senior unsecured notes outstanding at September 30, 2011 are due in August 2018 and bear interest at 7.456% (the "7.456% Notes"). Interest is payable semi-annually in February and August of each year. The 7.456% Notes include covenants that limit our ability (i) to enter into sale/leaseback transactions, (ii) to create or incur liens and (iii) to merge or consolidate with or into another entity. The 7.456% Notes are repayable in whole or in part on August 15, 2013, at the option of the holders of such 7.456% Notes, at 100% of the principal amount plus accrued interest. We may redeem the 7.456% Notes at our option in whole or in part at any time at a specified "make-whole" premium.

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Our \$750 million in registered senior unsecured notes outstanding at September 30, 2011 are due in August 2020 and bear interest at 5.95% (the 5.95% Notes). The 5.95% Notes were issued at 99.893% of par resulting in a discount, which is being amortized over their life. Interest is payable semi-annually in February and August of each year. The 5.95% Notes include covenants that limit our ability under certain circumstances to (i) create certain liens, (ii) enter into sale/leaseback transactions and (iii) merge or consolidate with or into another entity. We may redeem the 5.95% Notes at our option in whole or in part at any time or from time to time at a specified make-whole premium.

Based on quoted market prices, the approximate fair value of our Notes was as follows:

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(In millions)	
8.5% senior notes	\$ 431	\$ 438
7.456% senior notes	563	561
5.95% senior notes	777	743

The 7.456%, 8.5% and 5.95% Notes (collectively the Notes) are senior unsecured obligations guaranteed by certain domestic Expedia subsidiaries and rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations. For further information, see Note 9 Guarantor and Non-Guarantor Supplemental Financial Information. Accrued interest related to the Notes was \$19 million and \$49 million as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010.

Credit Facility

Expedia, Inc. maintains a \$750 million unsecured revolving credit facility with a group of lenders. In August 2011, we amended the revolving credit facility to, among other things, extend the maturity date of the revolving credit facility to August 2016, reduce the interest rate spread on drawn amounts thereunder and reduce the commitment fee on undrawn amounts thereunder. The facility is unconditionally guaranteed by certain domestic Expedia subsidiaries that are the same as under the Notes. As of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, we had no revolving credit facility borrowings outstanding. The facility bears interest based on the Company's credit ratings, with drawn amounts bearing interest at LIBOR plus 150 basis points and the commitment fee on undrawn amounts at 22.5 basis points as of September 30, 2011. The facility contains financial covenants including leverage and minimum interest coverage ratios.

The amount of stand-by letters of credit (LOC) issued under the facility reduces the amount available under the credit facility. As of September 30, 2011, and December 31, 2010, there was \$20 million and \$27 million of outstanding stand-by LOCs issued under the facility.

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The Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Directors, declared the following dividends during the periods presented:

Declaration Date	Dividend Per Share	Record Date	Total Amount (in thousands)	Payment Date
Nine months ended September 30, 2011:				
February 9, 2011	\$ 0.07	March 11, 2011	\$ 19,352	March 31, 2011
April 27, 2011	0.07	May 27, 2011	19,232	June 17, 2011
July 26, 2011	0.07	August 26, 2011	19,148	September 16, 2011
Nine months ended September 30, 2010:				
February 10, 2010	\$ 0.07	March 11, 2010	\$ 20,220	March 31, 2010
April 27, 2010	0.07	May 27, 2010	19,902	June 17, 2010
July 26, 2010	0.07	August 26, 2010	19,703	September 16, 2010

In addition, on October 26, 2011, the Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Directors, declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.07 per share of outstanding common stock to stockholders of record as of the close of business on November 18, 2011. Future declarations of dividends are subject to final determination of our Board of Directors.

Share Repurchases

In October 2010, the Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Directors, authorized a repurchase of up to 20 million outstanding shares of our common stock. During the first nine months of 2011, we repurchased, through open market transactions, 7.6 million shares under this authorization for a total cost of \$199 million, excluding transaction costs, representing an average repurchase price of \$26.39 per share. As of September 30, 2011, 11.8 million shares remain authorized for repurchase under the authorization with no fixed termination date for the repurchases. Subsequent to the end of the third quarter of 2011, we repurchased an additional 2.4 million shares for a total cost of \$65 million, excluding transaction costs, representing an average repurchase price of \$26.74 per share.

Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income was \$173 million and \$219 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, and \$397 million and \$344 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. The primary difference between net income attributable to Expedia, Inc. as reported and comprehensive income was foreign currency translation adjustments.

Noncontrolling Interest

In May 2011, we acquired additional shares of eLong for \$41 million and, at the same time, Tencent Holdings Limited also acquired approximately 16% of the outstanding shares of eLong for \$84 million. As of September 30, 2011, our ownership interest in eLong was approximately 55%.

Table of Contents**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)****Note 6 Earnings Per Share**

The following table presents our basic and diluted earnings per share:

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	(In thousands, except per share data)			
Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc.	\$ 209,534	\$ 176,550	\$ 401,966	\$ 350,207
Earnings per share attributable to Expedia, Inc. available to common stockholders:				
Basic	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.63	\$ 1.47	\$ 1.23
Diluted	0.75	0.62	1.44	1.21
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:				
Basic	272,352	281,215	273,263	284,608
Dilutive effect of:				
Options to purchase common stock	4,161	4,002	3,527	4,171
Other dilutive securities	2,855	1,067	1,751	1,114
Diluted	279,368	286,284	278,541	289,893

The earnings per share amounts are the same for common stock and Class B common stock because the holders of each class are legally entitled to equal per share distributions whether through dividends or in liquidation.

Note 7 Commitments and Contingencies***Legal Proceedings***

In the ordinary course of business, we are a party to various lawsuits. Management does not expect these lawsuits to have a material impact on the liquidity, results of operations, or financial condition of Expedia. We also evaluate other potential contingent matters, including value-added tax, federal excise tax, transient occupancy or accommodation tax and similar matters.

Litigation Relating to Hotel Occupancy Taxes. Seventy-seven lawsuits have been filed by cities, counties and states involving hotel occupancy taxes. These lawsuits are in various stages and we continue to defend against the claims made in them vigorously. With respect to the principal claims in these matters, we believe that the ordinances at issue do not apply to the services we provide, namely the facilitation of hotel reservations, and, therefore, that we do not owe the taxes that are claimed to be owed. We believe that the ordinances at issue generally impose occupancy and other taxes on entities that own, operate or control hotels (or similar businesses) or furnish or provide hotel rooms or similar accommodations. To date, twenty-four of these lawsuits have been dismissed. Some of these dismissals have been without prejudice and, generally, allow the governmental entity or entities to seek administrative remedies prior to pursuing further litigation. Twelve dismissals were based on a finding that we and the other defendants were not subject to the local hotel occupancy tax ordinance or that the local government lacked standing to pursue their claims. As a result of this litigation and other attempts by certain jurisdictions to levy such taxes, we have established a reserve for the potential settlement of issues related to hotel occupancy taxes, consistent with applicable accounting principles and in light of all current facts and circumstances, in the amount of \$27 million as of September 30, 2011 and \$24 million as of December 31, 2010. This reserve is based on our best estimate and the ultimate resolution of these contingencies may be greater or less than the liabilities recorded. In addition, as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, we had accruals totaling \$17 million and \$13 million related to court decisions and final settlements. Changes to these settlement reserves and accruals are included within general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations.

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In connection with various occupancy tax audits and assessments, certain jurisdictions may assert that taxpayers are required to pay any assessed taxes prior to being allowed to contest or litigate the applicability of the ordinances, which is referred to as "pay-to-play." These jurisdictions may attempt to require that we pay any assessed taxes prior to being allowed to contest or litigate the applicability of the tax ordinance. Payment of these amounts is not an admission that we believe we are subject to such taxes and, even when such payments are made, we continue to defend our position vigorously. During 2010 and 2009, we expensed \$3 million and \$48 million related to monies paid in advance of litigation in occupancy tax proceedings in the cities of Santa Monica and San Francisco. Such amounts were expensed when incurred within legal reserves and occupancy tax assessments in the consolidated statements of operations. In each case, we paid such amounts in order to be allowed to pursue litigation challenging whether we are required to pay hotel occupancy tax on the portion of the customer payment we retain as compensation and, if so, the actual amounts owed. We do not believe that the amounts we retain as compensation are subject to the cities' hotel occupancy tax ordinances. If we prevail in the litigation (including any appeal), the cities will be required to repay these amounts, plus interest.

Note 8 Segment Information

We have three reportable segments: Leisure, TripAdvisor Media Group and Egencia. We determined our segments based on how our chief operating decision makers manage our business, make operating decisions and evaluate operating performance. Our primary operating metric for evaluating segment performance is Operating Income Before Amortization (OIBA). OIBA for our Leisure and Egencia segments includes allocations of certain expenses, primarily cost of revenue, information technology and facilities, and our Leisure segment includes the total costs of our Partner Services Group as well as the realized foreign currency gains or losses related to the forward contracts hedging a component of our net merchant hotel revenue. We base the allocations primarily on transaction volumes and other usage metrics; this methodology is periodically evaluated and may change. We do not allocate certain shared expenses such as accounting, human resources and legal to our reportable segments. We include these expenses in Corporate and Eliminations.

Our Leisure segment provides a full range of travel and advertising services to our worldwide customers through a variety of brands including: Expedia.com and Hotels.com in the United States and localized Expedia and Hotels.com websites throughout the world, Expedia Affiliate Network, Hotwire.com, Venere, eLong and Classic Vacations. Our TripAdvisor Media Group segment provides advertising services to travel suppliers on its websites, which aggregate traveler opinions and unbiased travel articles about cities, hotels, restaurants and activities in a variety of destinations through tripadvisor.com and its localized international versions as well as through its various travel media content properties within TripAdvisor Media Group. Our Egencia segment provides managed travel services to corporate customers in North America, Europe, and the Asia Pacific region.

Our segment disclosure includes intersegment revenues, which primarily consist of advertising and media services provided by our TripAdvisor Media Group segment to our Leisure segment. These intersegment transactions are recorded by each segment at amounts that generally approximate fair value as if the transactions were with third parties and, therefore, impact segment performance. However, the revenue and corresponding expense are eliminated in consolidation. The elimination of such intersegment transactions is included within Corporate and Eliminations in the table below.

Corporate and Eliminations also includes unallocated corporate functions and expenses. In addition, we record amortization of intangible assets and any related impairment, as well as stock-based compensation expense and certain other costs or benefits, as disclosed in the table below, in Corporate and Eliminations.

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The following tables present our segment information for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. As a significant portion of our property and equipment is not allocated to our operating segments, we do not report the assets or related depreciation expense as it would not be meaningful, nor do we regularly provide such information to our chief operating decision makers.

	Three months ended September 30, 2011				
	Leisure	TripAdvisor Media Group	Egencia (In thousands)	Corporate & Eliminations	Total
Third-party revenue	\$ 976,148	\$ 120,385	\$ 44,302	\$	\$ 1,140,835
Intersegment revenue		60,417		(60,417)	
Revenue	\$ 976,148	\$ 180,802	\$ 44,302	\$ (60,417)	\$ 1,140,835
Operating Income Before Amortization	\$ 297,489	\$ 90,647	\$ 2,357	\$ (73,815)	\$ 316,678
Amortization of intangible assets				(7,959)	(7,959)
Spin-off costs				(4,430)	(4,430)
Legal reserves and occupancy tax assessments				(692)	(692)
Stock-based compensation				(15,059)	(15,059)
Realized loss on revenue hedges	815				815
Operating income (loss)	\$ 298,304	\$ 90,647	\$ 2,357	\$ (101,955)	289,353
Other expense, net					(18,168)
Income before income taxes					271,185
Provision for income taxes					(60,779)
Net income					210,406
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests					(872)
Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc.					\$ 209,534

	Three months ended September 30, 2010				
	Leisure	TripAdvisor Media Group	Egencia (In thousands)	Corporate & Eliminations	Total
Third-party revenue	\$ 863,452	\$ 89,761	\$ 34,647	\$	\$ 987,860
Intersegment revenue		49,558		(49,558)	
Revenue	\$ 863,452	\$ 139,319	\$ 34,647	\$ (49,558)	\$ 987,860
Operating Income Before Amortization	\$ 277,391	\$ 73,659	\$ 1,891	\$ (59,291)	\$ 293,650
Amortization of intangible assets				(8,126)	(8,126)
Stock-based compensation				(13,021)	(13,021)
Realized loss on revenue hedges	4,301				4,301
Operating income (loss)	\$ 281,692	\$ 73,659	\$ 1,891	\$ (80,438)	276,804

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Other expense, net	(38,196)
Income before income taxes	238,608
Provision for income taxes	(60,584)
Net income	178,024
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(1,474)
Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc.	\$ 176,550

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	Nine months ended September 30, 2011				
	Leisure	TripAdvisor Media Group	Egencia (In thousands)	Corporate & Eliminations	Total
Third-party revenue	\$ 2,527,964	\$ 324,770	\$ 133,912		\$ 2,986,646
Intersegment revenue		173,560		(173,560)	
Revenue	\$ 2,527,964	\$ 498,330	\$ 133,912	\$ (173,560)	\$ 2,986,646
Operating Income Before Amortization	\$ 613,582	\$ 260,252	\$ 13,928	\$ (198,542)	\$ 689,220
Amortization of intangible assets				(22,956)	(22,956)
Spin-off costs				(6,538)	(6,538)
Legal reserves and occupancy tax assessments				(1,792)	(1,792)
Stock-based compensation				(45,812)	(45,812)
Realized loss on revenue hedges	12,441				12,441
Operating income (loss)	\$ 626,023	\$ 260,252	\$ 13,928	\$ (275,640)	624,563
Other expense, net					(82,853)
Income before income taxes					541,710
Provision for income taxes					(138,205)
Net income					403,505
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests					(1,539)
Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc.					\$ 401,966

	Nine months ended September 30, 2010				
	Leisure	TripAdvisor Media Group	Egencia (In thousands)	Corporate & Eliminations	Total
Third-party revenue	\$ 2,192,080	\$ 243,685	\$ 103,974		\$ 2,539,739
Intersegment revenue		134,626		(134,626)	
Revenue	\$ 2,192,080	\$ 378,311	\$ 103,974	\$ (134,626)	\$ 2,539,739
Operating Income Before Amortization	\$ 605,449	\$ 212,974	\$ 11,938	\$ (174,695)	\$ 655,666
Amortization of intangible assets				(25,498)	(25,498)
Stock-based compensation				(46,564)	(46,564)
Realized gain on revenue hedges	(936)				(936)
Operating income (loss)	\$ 604,513	\$ 212,974	\$ 11,938	\$ (246,757)	582,668
Other expense, net					(76,407)
Income before income taxes					506,261
Provision for income taxes					(152,285)

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Net income	353,976
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(3,769)

Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc. \$ 350,207

During the first quarter of 2011, we changed our allocation methodology for information technology expenses, which resulted in more expenses being allocated to our Leisure and Egencia segments. During the third quarter of 2011, in conjunction with certain organizational changes, we reclassified expenses attributed to our supplier payment group previously captured within Corporate and Eliminations to our Leisure segment. We revised prior year OIBA by segment to conform to our current year presentation. There was no impact on consolidated OIBA as a result of these changes.

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Condensed consolidating financial information of Expedia, Inc. (the Parent), our subsidiaries that are guarantors of our debt facility and instruments (the Guarantor Subsidiaries), and our subsidiaries that are not guarantors of our debt facility and instruments (the Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries) is shown below. The debt facility and instruments are guaranteed by certain of our wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries and rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations. The guarantees are full, unconditional, joint and several. In this financial information, the Parent and Guarantor Subsidiaries account for investments in their wholly-owned subsidiaries using the equity method.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**Three Months Ended September 30, 2011****(In thousands)**

	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
Revenue	\$	\$ 986,259	\$ 170,016	\$ (15,440)	\$ 1,140,835
Costs and expenses:					
Cost of revenue		179,743	29,452	482	209,677
Selling and marketing		290,590	133,347	(15,835)	408,102
Technology and content		87,885	29,097	(105)	116,877
General and administrative		75,192	28,535	18	103,745
Amortization of intangible assets		1,855	6,104		7,959
Spin-off costs		4,430			4,430
Legal reserves and occupancy tax assessments		692			692
Intercompany (income) expense, net		216,136	(216,136)		
Operating income		129,736	159,617		289,353
Other income (expense):					
Equity in pre-tax earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	224,063	137,019		(361,082)	
Other, net	(29,638)	35,994	(24,524)		(18,168)
Total other income (expense), net	194,425	173,013	(24,524)	(361,082)	(18,168)
Income before income taxes	194,425	302,749	135,093	(361,082)	271,185
Provision for income taxes	15,109	(77,705)	1,817		(60,779)
Net income	209,534	225,044	136,910	(361,082)	210,406
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests			(872)		(872)
Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc.	\$ 209,534	\$ 225,044	\$ 136,038	\$ (361,082)	\$ 209,534

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(in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
Revenue	\$	\$ 871,054	\$ 126,717	\$ (9,911)	\$ 987,860
Costs and expenses:					
Cost of revenue		163,604	26,299	130	190,033
Selling and marketing		241,029	113,165	(10,175)	344,019
Technology and content		74,047	19,250		93,297
General and administrative		54,324	21,123	134	75,581
Amortization of intangible assets		1,954	6,172		8,126
Intercompany (income) expenses, net		199,817	(199,817)		
Operating income		136,279	140,525		276,804
Other income (expense):					
Equity in pre-tax earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	194,500	118,064		(312,564)	
Other, net	(25,143)	(35,726)	22,673		(38,196)
Total other income (expense), net	169,357	82,338	22,673	(312,564)	(38,196)
Income before income taxes	169,357	218,617	163,198	(312,564)	238,608
Provision for income taxes	7,193	(23,185)	(44,592)		(60,584)
Net income	176,550	195,432	118,606	(312,564)	178,024
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests			(1,474)		(1,474)
Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc.	\$ 176,550	\$ 195,432	\$ 117,132	\$ (312,564)	\$ 176,550

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011**

(In thousands)

	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
Revenue	\$	\$ 2,589,548	\$ 431,639	\$ (34,541)	\$ 2,986,646
Costs and expenses:					
Cost of revenue		501,817	83,547	699	586,063
Selling and marketing		801,227	377,231	(35,229)	1,143,229
Technology and content		254,272	76,109	(159)	330,222

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General and administrative	195,310	75,825	148	271,283
Amortization of intangible assets	5,732	17,224		22,956
Spin-off costs	6,538			6,538
Legal reserves and occupancy tax assessments	1,792			1,792
Intercompany (income) expense, net	594,175	(594,175)		
Operating income	228,685	395,878		624,563
Other income (expense):				
Equity in pre-tax earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	451,377	324,583	(775,960)	
Other, net	(88,688)	7,147	(1,312)	(82,853)
Total other income (expense), net	362,689	331,730	(1,312)	(775,960)
Income before income taxes	362,689	560,415	394,566	(775,960)
Provision for income taxes	39,277	(106,397)	(71,085)	(138,205)
Net income	401,966	454,018	323,481	(775,960)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests			(1,539)	(1,539)
Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc.	\$ 401,966	\$ 454,018	\$ 321,942	\$ (775,960)
				\$ 401,966

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(in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
Revenue	\$	\$ 2,237,258	\$ 332,460	\$ (29,979)	\$ 2,539,739
Costs and expenses:					
Cost of revenue		446,334	71,466	(1,166)	516,634
Selling and marketing		652,220	298,419	(28,952)	921,687
Technology and content		213,327	54,168	13	267,508
General and administrative		163,505	62,113	126	225,744
Amortization of intangible assets		8,368	17,130		25,498
Intercompany (income) expenses, net		366,324	(366,324)		
Operating income		387,180	195,488		582,668
Other income (expense):					
Equity in pre-tax earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	390,410	142,866		(533,276)	
Other, net	(61,480)	(3,183)	(11,744)		(76,407)
Total other income (expense), net	328,930	139,683	(11,744)	(533,276)	(76,407)
Income before income taxes	328,930	526,863	183,744	(533,276)	506,261
Provision for income taxes	21,277	(133,061)	(40,501)		(152,285)
Net income	350,207	393,802	143,243	(533,276)	353,976
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests			(3,769)		(3,769)
Net income attributable to Expedia, Inc.	\$ 350,207	\$ 393,802	\$ 139,474	\$ (533,276)	\$ 350,207

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET**September 30, 2011**

(in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
ASSETS					
Total current assets	\$ 134,462	\$ 2,154,300	\$ 1,018,873	\$ (709,462)	\$ 2,598,173
Investment in subsidiaries	5,137,959	1,509,434		(6,647,393)	
Intangible assets, net		668,858	110,390		779,248
Goodwill		3,059,471	593,690		3,653,161
Other assets, net	7,209	458,049	180,843		646,101

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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,279,630	\$ 7,850,112	\$ 1,903,796	\$ (7,356,855)	\$ 7,676,683
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY					
Total current liabilities	\$ 596,196	\$ 2,409,878	\$ 319,657	\$ (709,462)	\$ 2,616,269
Long-term debt	1,645,414				1,645,414
Other liabilities		300,011	76,969		376,980
Stockholders' equity	3,038,020	5,140,223	1,507,170	(6,647,393)	3,038,020
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	\$ 5,279,630	\$ 7,850,112	\$ 1,903,796	\$ (7,356,855)	\$ 7,676,683

Table of Contents**Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET****December 31, 2010****(In thousands)**

	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
ASSETS					
Total current assets	\$ 95,195	\$ 1,305,807	\$ 578,332	\$ (277,707)	\$ 1,701,627
Investment in subsidiaries	4,589,428	1,061,282		(5,650,710)	
Intangible assets, net		674,290	123,417		797,707
Goodwill		3,057,547	584,813		3,642,360
Other assets, net	8,415	399,593	101,292		509,300
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,693,038	\$ 6,498,519	\$ 1,387,854	\$ (5,928,417)	\$ 6,650,994
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Total current liabilities	\$ 311,441	\$ 1,619,260	\$ 236,426	\$ (277,707)	\$ 1,889,420
Long-term debt	1,644,894				1,644,894
Other liabilities		290,287	89,690		379,977
Stockholders' equity	2,736,703	4,588,972	1,061,738	(5,650,710)	2,736,703
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 4,693,038	\$ 6,498,519	\$ 1,387,854	\$ (5,928,417)	\$ 6,650,994

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011****(In thousands)**

	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidated
Operating activities:				
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	\$ 986,615	\$ 238,875	\$ 1,225,490
Investing activities:				
Purchases of investments		(1,062,936)	(116,619)	(1,179,555)
Sales and maturities of investments		995,212	71,539	1,066,751
Capital expenditures, including internal-use software and website development		(152,237)	(21,658)	(173,895)
Other, net		(10,870)	(12,178)	(23,048)
Net cash used in investing activities		(230,831)	(78,916)	(309,747)
Financing activities:				

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Treasury stock activity	(208,693)			(208,693)
Payment of dividends to stockholders	(57,732)			(57,732)
Sales of interest in controlled subsidiaries, net			70,626	70,626
Transfers (to) from related parties	239,908	(239,908)		
Other, net	26,517	(10,740)	16,734	32,511
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(250,648)	87,360	(163,288)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(15,381)	2,102	(13,279)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		489,755	249,421	739,176
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		363,754	350,578	714,332
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	\$ 853,509	\$ 599,999	\$ 1,453,508

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(in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidated
Operating activities:				
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	\$ 759,017	\$ 178,700	\$ 937,717
Investing activities:				
Purchases of investments		(735,928)	(67,647)	(803,575)
Sales and maturities of investments		37,576	55,836	93,412
Capital expenditures, including internal-use software and website development		(101,107)	(12,217)	(113,324)
Other, net		12,375	(38,100)	(25,725)
Net cash used in investing activities		(787,084)	(62,128)	(849,212)
Financing activities:				
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net of issuance costs	742,994			742,994
Payment of dividends to stockholders	(59,825)			(59,825)
Treasury stock activity	(394,403)			(394,403)
Purchases of interest in controlled subsidiaries, net			(77,859)	(77,859)
Transfers (to) from related parties	(333,283)	333,283		
Other, net	44,517	(11,039)	(3,393)	30,085
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		322,244	(81,252)	240,992
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(16,730)	(4,440)	(21,170)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		277,447	30,880	308,327
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		418,855	223,689	642,544
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	\$ 696,302	\$ 254,569	\$ 950,871

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Part I. Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements reflect the views of our management regarding current expectations and projections about future events and are based on currently available information. Actual results could differ materially from those contained in these forward-looking statements for a variety of reasons, including, but not limited to, those discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors, as well as those discussed elsewhere in this report. Other unknown or unpredictable factors also could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The use of words such as anticipates, estimates, expects, intends, plans and believes, among others, generally identify forward-looking statements; however, these words are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements. In addition, any statements that refer to expectations, projections or other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are inherently subject to uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. We are not under any obligation to, and do not intend to, publicly update or review any of these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, even if experience or future events make it clear that any expected results expressed or implied by those forward-looking statements will not be realized. Please carefully review and consider the various disclosures made in this report and in our other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) that attempt to advise interested parties of the risks and factors that may affect our business, prospects and results of operations.

The information included in this management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the notes included in this Quarterly Report, and the audited consolidated financial statements and notes and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Overview

Expedia, Inc. is an online travel company, empowering business and leisure travelers with the tools and information they need to efficiently research, plan, book and experience travel. We have created a global travel marketplace used by a broad range of leisure and corporate travelers, offline retail travel agents and travel service providers. We make available, on a stand-alone and package basis, travel products and services provided by numerous airlines, lodging properties, car rental companies, destination service providers, cruise lines and other travel product and service companies. We also offer travel and non-travel advertisers access to a potential source of incremental traffic and transactions through our various media and advertising offerings on both TripAdvisor® Media Group and on our transaction-based websites.

Our portfolio of brands includes Expedia.com®, Hotels.com®, Hotwire.com™, TripAdvisor Media Group, Expedia Affiliate Network, Classic Vacations, Expedia Local Expert™, Expedia® CruiseShipCenters®, Egencia™, eLong™, and Venere Net SpA (Venere). In addition, many of these brands have related international points of sale. For additional information about our portfolio of brands, see Portfolio of Brands in Part I, Item 1, Business, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

On April 7, 2011, we announced a plan to separate Expedia, Inc. into two publicly traded companies:

TripAdvisor, which will include the domestic and international operations associated with the TripAdvisor Media Group, which includes its flagship brand as well as 18 other travel media brands, and

Expedia, Inc., which will continue to include the domestic and international operations of our travel transaction brands including Expedia.com, Hotels.com, eLong, Hotwire, Egencia, Expedia Affiliate Network, CruiseShipCenters, Venere, Classic Vacations and carrentals.com.

On November 1, 2011, the SEC declared the Form S-4 with information pertaining to the transaction as effective. The transaction is subject to final approval by our Board of Directors and we expect to receive a favorable private letter ruling from the Internal Revenue Service on the tax-free nature of the spin-off. In addition, it is expected that we will seek stockholder

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approval of the transaction. The proposed spin-off is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2011. The disclosures within this Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations are on a consolidated Expedia, Inc. basis and do not take into account the proposed spin-off of TripAdvisor.

All percentages within this section are calculated on actual, unrounded numbers.

Trends

The travel industry, including offline agencies, online agencies and other suppliers of travel products and services, has historically been characterized by intense competition, as well as rapid and significant change. Throughout 2010 and into 2011, the travel industry has been gradually improving after weathering the recession in 2009. However, natural disasters, such as the earthquake and tsunami in Japan, political and social unrest in the Middle East and North Africa, the rising price of oil, and ongoing sovereign debt issues in several European countries, all contribute to a somewhat tenuous improvement in the environment for travel. As such, global economic conditions remain uncertain and our near-term visibility remains limited.

Airline Sector

The airline sector in particular has historically experienced significant turmoil. In recent years, there has been increased air carrier consolidation, generally resulting in lower overall capacity and higher fares. In addition, air carriers have made significant efforts to keep seat capacity relatively low in order to ensure that demand for seats remains high and that flights are as full as possible. Reduced seating capacities are generally negative for Expedia as there is less air supply available on our websites, and in turn less opportunity to facilitate hotel rooms, car rental and other services on behalf of air travelers. Ticket prices on Expedia sites grew 10% in 2010 and 12% in the first nine months of 2011. Air capacity discipline appears to generally remain in place, and though there had been signs in late 2010 that carriers were beginning to add some capacity, the sharply rising price of oil and a tepid economic recovery curbed those intentions and in 2011 carriers have generally been trimming their capacity growth plans.

We are encountering pressure on air remuneration as certain supply agreements renew, and as air carriers and global distribution system (GDS) intermediaries re-negotiate their long-term agreements in 2011. For example, in late 2010, American Airlines began to pursue a new distribution strategy requiring online travel agents to agree to connect directly to American Airlines systems, rather than through GDSs, and our contract with American Airlines expired without renewal resulting in their fares being removed from our leisure travel sites. We have since reached an agreement with American Airlines and their tickets were placed back on the sites in early April 2011.

In part as a result of sharply rising average ticket prices and the absence of American Airlines tickets through the first quarter of 2011, our ticket volumes decreased by 8% in the first nine months of 2011 after having grown by 11% in the full year 2010.

Hotel Sector

Hotel occupancies and average daily rates (ADRs) in the lodging industry have generally improved since early 2010 in a gradually improving overall travel environment. Our room night growth has been healthy, with room nights growing 14% in 2010 and 18% in the first nine months of 2011. ADRs for rooms booked on Expedia sites grew 1% in 2010 and 6% in the first nine months of 2011. We believe that the economics for our hotel business are largely stable.

Online Travel

Increased usage and familiarity with the internet have driven rapid growth in online penetration of travel expenditures. According to PhoCusWright, an independent travel, tourism and hospitality research firm, in 2010, approximately 54% of U.S. leisure, unmanaged and corporate travel expenditures occurred online, compared with approximately 37% of European travel. Online penetration in the Asia Pacific region is estimated to be around 20%, lagging behind that of Europe. These penetration rates have generally increased over the past few years, and are expected to continue growing. This significant growth has attracted many competitors to online travel. The industry is expected to remain highly competitive for the foreseeable future.

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Competitive entrants such as metasearch companies have in some cases been able to introduce differentiated features and content compared with the legacy online travel agency companies. New models, such as daily deals and private sale sites have also begun proliferating. We have a number of daily deals offered on our retail websites as well as deal specific offerings such as Hotwire's Travel-Ticker, TripAdvisor's SniqueAway, and a partnership with Groupon called Groupon Getaways with Expedia™. In addition, we have seen increased interest in the online travel industry from search engine companies as evidenced by recent innovations and proposed and actual acquisitions by companies such as Google and Microsoft.

In addition to the growth of online travel agencies, airlines and lodging companies have aggressively pursued direct online distribution of their products and services, in effect competing with the travel agencies who also distribute their products. We believe this competition will continue into the future.

The online travel industry has also seen the development of alternative business models and variations in the timing of payment by travelers and to suppliers, which in some cases place pressure on historical business models. In particular, the agency hotel model has seen rapid adoption in Europe. Expedia launched its own agency hotel model in 2009, and since then it has become a small but fast-growing component of our hotel business. We expect to continue to evaluate the use of both the merchant and agency hotel models in various geographies around the world, and may over time, pursue one or the other model, or both at the same time, more aggressively in certain regions depending on our assessment of the market demands.

Intense competition has also historically led to aggressive marketing spend by the travel suppliers and intermediaries, and a meaningful reduction in our overall marketing efficiencies and operating margins. In 2011, our selling and marketing expense has been growing at rates faster than our revenue growth and we expect that to continue for at least the next several quarters, however, we believe that over the long term we can manage our sales and marketing expense largely in line with revenue growth.

Strategy

We play a fundamental role in facilitating travel, whether for leisure, unmanaged business or managed business travelers. We are committed to providing travelers, travel suppliers and advertisers the world over with the best set of resources to serve their travel needs by leveraging Expedia's critical assets—our brand portfolio, our technology and commitment to continuous innovation, our global reach and our breadth of product offering. In addition, we intelligently utilize our growing base of knowledge about destinations, activities, suppliers and travelers and our central position in the travel value chain to more effectively merchandise our partners' travel offerings.

A discussion of the critical assets that we leverage in achieving our business strategy follows:

Portfolio of Travel Brands. We seek to appeal to the broadest possible range of travelers, suppliers and advertisers through our collection of industry-leading brands. We target several different demographics, from the value-conscious traveler through our Hotwire brand to luxury travelers seeking a high-touch, customized vacation package through our Classic Vacations brand.

We believe our flagship Expedia brand appeals to the broadest range of travelers, with our extensive product offering ranging from single item bookings of discounted product to dynamic bundling of higher-end travel packages. Our Hotels.com site and its international versions target travelers with premium hotel content such as 360-degree tours and hotel reviews. In the United States, Hotels.com generally appeals to travelers with shorter booking windows who prefer to drive to their destinations, and who make a significant portion of their travel bookings over the telephone.

We have a robust and growing advertising business, led primarily by the efforts of the TripAdvisor Media Group, which offers travel and other advertisers a host of alternatives for reaching customers in our prime demographic. The majority of advertising revenue is generated through click-based advertising, but we also have a growing display advertising business as well as other new products such as hotel business listings, vacation rentals, and a private sale site, SniqueAway. TripAdvisor generates customer traffic to its sites by offering a broad and deep selection of hotel reviews and other user-generated content to help travelers make decisions about where to travel, where to stay and what to do while on vacation. We also generate advertising revenue on our transaction sites, primarily through efforts of Expedia Media Solutions and Hotwire.

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Egencia makes travel products and services available on a managed basis to corporate travelers in North America, Europe and the Asia Pacific region.

We believe our appeal to suppliers and advertisers is further enhanced by our geographic breadth and range of business models, allowing them to offer their products and services to the industry's broadest range of travelers using our various agency, merchant and advertising business models. We intend to continue supporting and investing in our brand portfolio, geographic footprint and business models for the benefit of our travelers, suppliers and advertisers.

Technology and Continuous Innovation. Expedia has an established tradition of technology innovation, from Expedia.com's inception as a division of Microsoft to more recent innovations such as Expedia's introduction of opaque hotel inventory through its Unpublished Rates product, new mobile websites and applications across nearly all of our travel brands, a new loyalty program at Expedia called Expedia Rewards™ and a new exclusive loyalty program at Hotels.com for its most frequent customers called FIVESTAR™. Our focus on mobile offerings increased in 2010 when we acquired Mobiata, a mobile application development company, to accelerate these efforts.

We intend to continue innovating on behalf of our travelers, suppliers and advertisers with particular focus on improving the traveler experience through social and mobile efforts, supplier integration and presentation, platform improvements, search engine marketing and search engine optimization.

Global Reach. Our Expedia, Hotels.com and TripAdvisor Media Group brands operate both in the United States and internationally. We also offer Chinese travelers an array of products and services through our majority ownership in eLong and through our TripAdvisor brands daodao.com and kuxun.cn, and we offer hotels to European-based travelers through Venere. During the first nine months of 2011, approximately 39% of our worldwide gross bookings and 42% of worldwide revenue were international.

Egencia, our corporate travel business, currently operates in North America, Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and the Asia Pacific region using direct points of sale as well as strategic partnerships. We believe the corporate travel sector represents a significant opportunity for Expedia, and we believe we offer a compelling technology solution to businesses seeking to optimize travel costs and improve their employees' travel experiences. We intend to continue investing in and expanding the geographic footprint and technology infrastructure of Egencia.

In expanding our global reach, we leverage significant investments in technology, operations, brand building, supplier relationships and other initiatives that we have made since the launch of Expedia.com in 1996. We intend to continue leveraging this investment when launching additional points of sale in new countries, introducing new website features, adding supplier products and services, and offering proprietary and user-generated content for travelers.

Our scale of operations enhances the value of the products and services we introduce on behalf of our travelers and suppliers. We believe that our size and scale affords us the ability to negotiate competitive rates with our supply partners, provide breadth of choice and travel deals to our traveling customers through an increasingly larger supply portfolio, and create new value added offers for our customers such as our recently launched loyalty programs. The size of our worldwide traveler base makes our sites an increasingly appealing channel for travel suppliers to reach customers. In addition, our increasing scale enhances our websites' appeal to travel and non-travel advertisers.

We intend to continue investing in and growing our international points of sale. We anticipate launching points of sale in additional countries where we find large travel markets and rapid growth of online commerce. Future launches may occur under any of our brands, or through acquisition of third party brands, as in the case of Egencia, eLong, Kuxun and Venere, or other partnerships, such as the joint venture with AirAsia launched in July 2011.

Breadth of Product Offering. We offer a comprehensive array of innovative travel products and services to our travelers. We plan to continue improving and growing these offerings, as well as expand them to our worldwide points of sale over time. Travelers can interact with us how and when they prefer, including via our 24/7 1-800 telesales service, which is an integral part of our appeal to travelers. We offer travelers access to more than 140,000 hotels and over 300 airlines in over 200 countries around the world.

In the first nine months of 2011, approximately 64% of our revenue came from transactions involving the booking of hotel reservations, with 10% of our worldwide revenue derived from the sale of airline tickets. We facilitate travel products

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and services either as stand-alone products or as part of package transactions. We have emphasized growing our merchant hotel and packages businesses as these result in higher revenue per transaction. We also seek to continue diversifying our revenue mix beyond core air and hotel products to car rental, destination services, cruise and other product offerings. We have been working toward increasing the mix of advertising and media revenue from both the expansion of our TripAdvisor Media Group, as well as increasing advertising revenue from our worldwide websites such as Expedia.com and Hotels.com, which have historically been focused on transaction revenue. During the first nine months of 2011, advertising and media revenue accounted for approximately 14% of worldwide revenue.

Seasonality

We generally experience seasonal fluctuations in the demand for our travel products and services. For example, traditional leisure travel bookings are generally the highest in the first three quarters as travelers plan and book their spring, summer and holiday travel. The number of bookings typically decreases in the fourth quarter. Because revenue in our merchant business is generally recognized when the travel takes place rather than when it is booked, revenue typically lags bookings by several weeks or longer. As a result, revenue is typically the lowest in the first quarter and highest in the third quarter. The continued growth of our international operations or a change in our product mix may influence the typical trend of our seasonality in the future.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Critical accounting policies and estimates are those that we believe are important in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements because they require that we use judgment and estimates in applying those policies. We prepare our consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (GAAP). Preparation of the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes requires that we make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated financial statements as well as revenue and expenses during the periods reported. We base our estimates on historical experience, where applicable, and other assumptions that we believe are reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from our estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

There are certain critical estimates that we believe require significant judgment in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements. We consider an accounting estimate to be critical if:

It requires us to make an assumption because information was not available at the time or it included matters that were highly uncertain at the time we were making the estimate; and

Changes in the estimate or different estimates that we could have selected may have had a material impact on our financial condition or results of operations.

For additional information about our critical accounting policies and estimates, see the disclosure included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

New Accounting Pronouncements

For a discussion of new accounting pronouncements, see Note 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

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Occupancy Taxes

We are currently involved in 44 lawsuits brought by or against states, cities and counties over issues involving the payment of hotel occupancy taxes. We continue to defend these lawsuits vigorously. With respect to the principal claims in these matters, we believe that the ordinances at issue do not apply to the services we provide, namely the facilitation of hotel reservations, and, therefore, that we do not owe the taxes that are claimed to be owed. We believe that the ordinances at issue generally impose occupancy and other taxes on entities that own, operate or control hotels (or similar businesses) or furnish or provide hotel rooms or similar accommodations.

Recent developments include:

A court hearing the consolidated California cases held that the online travel companies are not liable to the City of San Diego for hotel occupancy taxes.

The Texas State court of appeals has confirmed that online travel companies are not liable for hotel occupancy taxes to the city of Houston.

The United States Third Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the trial court decision dismissing, on standing grounds, a putative class action seeking occupancy taxes brought by the town of Lyndhurst, New Jersey.

A Pennsylvania state appeals court affirmed in part, and reversed in part, a trial judge's dismissal of a putative class action against the online travel companies brought by Lawrence County, Pennsylvania.

The Pennsylvania Board of Finance and Revenue has withdrawn its assessments for hotel occupancy taxes and therefore, the suits brought by the Expedia companies challenging these assessments have been dismissed.

The court in the Hamilton County, Ohio litigation held that the online travel companies are not liable under the hotel occupancy ordinances of the three jurisdictions in the suit, including the City of Cincinnati, and granted in part and denied in part the online travel companies' motion to dismiss.

The trial judge in the Montgomery County, Maryland litigation granted in part and denied in part the online travel companies' motion to dismiss.

The courts in the Washington, D.C. litigation and the Volusia County, Florida litigation have denied the online travel companies' motions to dismiss.

The court in the Rosemont, Illinois litigation has held that the online travel companies are liable for hotel occupancy taxes.

The judge in the Columbus, Georgia litigation has resigned amidst a Judicial Qualifications Commission investigation and the case has been assigned to a new judge.

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Settlements in principle have been reached in the Orange County, Florida, Palm Beach County, Florida and the County of Genesee, Michigan litigation.

A new class action suit has been brought by the town of Breckenridge, Colorado on behalf of all home rule local jurisdictions in the State of Colorado for an award of hotel occupancy taxes from the online travel companies.

Nassau County, New York refiled its lawsuit against the online travel companies in state court after a federal court earlier dismissed its claims for lack of jurisdiction.

For additional information on recent developments, see Part II, Item 1, Legal Proceedings.

We have established a reserve for the potential settlement of issues related to hotel occupancy tax litigation, consistent with applicable accounting principles and in light of all current facts and circumstances, in the amount of \$27 million as of September 30, 2011 and \$24 million as of December 31, 2010. A variety of factors could affect the ultimate amount we pay, if any, in connection with any of the occupancy tax-related matters. In addition, as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, we had an accrual totaling \$17 million and \$13 million related to court decisions and final settlements. Changes to these settlement reserves and accruals are included within general and administrative expenses.

Certain jurisdictions may require us to pay tax assessments, including occupancy tax assessments, prior to contesting any such assessments. This requirement is commonly referred to as pay-to-play. Payment of these amounts is not an admission that the taxpayer believes it is subject to such taxes. During 2010 and 2009, we expensed \$3 million and \$48

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million related to monies paid in advance of litigation in occupancy tax proceedings in the cities of Santa Monica and San Francisco. Such amounts were expensed when incurred within legal reserves and occupancy tax assessments. We do not believe that the amounts we retain as compensation are subject to the cities' hotel occupancy tax ordinances. If we prevail in the litigation (including any appeal), the cities will be required to repay these amounts, plus interest. However, any significant pay-to-play payment or litigation loss could negatively impact our liquidity.

In addition, certain jurisdictions, including the states of New York, North Carolina and Minnesota, the city of New York, and the District of Columbia, have enacted legislation seeking to tax online travel company services as part of sales taxes for hotel occupancy.

Segments

We have three reportable segments: Leisure, TripAdvisor Media Group and Egencia. We determined our segments based on how our chief operating decision makers manage our business, make operating decisions and evaluate operating performance.

Our Leisure segment provides a full range of travel and advertising services to our worldwide customers through a variety of brands including: Expedia.com and Hotels.com in the United States and localized Expedia and Hotels.com websites throughout the world, Expedia Affiliate Network, Hotwire.com, Venere, eLong and Classic Vacations. Our TripAdvisor Media Group segment provides advertising services to travel suppliers on its websites, which aggregate traveler opinions and unbiased travel articles about cities, hotels, restaurants and activities in a variety of destinations through tripadvisor.com and its localized international versions as well as through its various travel media content properties within TripAdvisor Media Group. Our Egencia segment provides managed travel services to corporate customers in North America, Europe and the Asia Pacific region.

Operating Metrics

Our operating results are affected by certain metrics, such as gross bookings and revenue margin, which we believe are necessary for an understanding and evaluation of Expedia's Leisure and Egencia segments. Gross bookings represent the total retail value of transactions booked for both agency and merchant transactions, recorded at the time of booking reflecting the total price due for travel by travelers, including taxes, fees and other charges, and are generally reduced for cancellations and refunds. As travelers have increased their use of the internet to book travel arrangements, we have generally seen our gross bookings increase, reflecting the growth in the online travel industry and our business acquisitions. Revenue margin is defined as revenue as a percentage of gross bookings.

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	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
<u>Gross Bookings</u>						
Leisure	\$ 6,949	\$ 6,401	9%	\$ 20,869	\$ 18,756	11%
TripAdvisor Media Group (1)			N/A			N/A
Egencia	668	491	36%	1,993	1,451	37%
Total gross bookings	\$ 7,617	\$ 6,892	11%	\$ 22,862	\$ 20,207	13%

Revenue Margin

Leisure	14.1%	13.5%	12.1%	11.7%
TripAdvisor Media Group (1)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Egencia	6.6%	7.1%	6.7%	7.2%
Total revenue margin (1)	15.0%	14.3%	13.1%	12.6%

(1) TripAdvisor Media Group, which is comprised of media businesses that differ from both our transaction-based websites and our Egencia business, does not measure associated gross bookings or revenue margin. Third-party revenue from the TripAdvisor Media Group is included in revenue used to calculate total revenue margin.

The increase in worldwide gross bookings for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, as compared to the same periods in 2010, was primarily due to growth in room nights stayed and ADRs for hotel rooms in both periods.

The increase in revenue margin for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, as compared to the same periods in 2010, was primarily due to strong growth in our higher margin hotel business, partially offset by rising average air ticket prices as our remuneration generally does not vary with the price of the ticket.

Results of Operations**Revenue**

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
Revenue by Segment						
Leisure	\$ 977	\$ 863	13%	\$ 2,528	\$ 2,192	15%
TripAdvisor Media Group (Third-party revenue)	120	90	34%	325	244	33%
Egencia	44	35	28%	134	104	29%
Total revenue	\$ 1,141	\$ 988	15%	\$ 2,987	\$ 2,540	18%

Revenue increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, primarily due to an increase in worldwide hotel revenue within our Leisure segment as well as an increase in advertising and media revenue within our TripAdvisor Media Group segment.

Worldwide hotel revenue increased 18% and 20% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, driven by a 16% and 18% increase in room nights stayed. Revenue per room night increased 1% and 2% for the respective periods primarily due to higher ADRs of 7% and 6%. Competitive pricing actions on hotels and packages as well as accruals for loyalty programs at

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Expedia and Hotels.com offset most of the increase in ADRs.

Worldwide air revenue decreased 5% for the three months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same period in 2010, due to a 10% decrease in air tickets sold, partially offset by a 6% increase in revenue per air ticket. The decrease in air tickets sold was partially due to a 12% increase in average air ticket prices. Revenue per air ticket rose due to certain regional and interline consumer booking fees and mix shift to merchant transactions, partially offset by lower net supplier economics. Worldwide air revenue was flat for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same period in 2010, as an 8% increase in revenue per air ticket was offset by an 8% decrease in air tickets sold. The increase in revenue per ticket was

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primarily due to a 12% increase in average air ticket prices. The decrease in air tickets sold was partially due to increasing average air ticket prices and the lack of American Airlines content for the duration of first quarter 2011. American Airlines tickets were placed back on the sites in early April 2011.

The remaining worldwide revenue other than hotel and air discussed above, which includes advertising and media, car rental, destination services, insurance and agency cruise, increased by 18% and 19% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, primarily due to an increase in our advertising and media revenue and to a lesser extent an increase in fees related to our corporate travel business.

In addition to the above segment and product revenue discussion, our revenue by business model is as follows:

<i>Revenue by Business Model</i>	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
Merchant	\$ 777	\$ 675	15%	\$ 1,983	\$ 1,674	19%
Agency	217	196	10%	598	543	10%
Advertising and media (1)	147	117	26%	406	323	26%
Total revenue	\$ 1,141	\$ 988	15%	\$ 2,987	\$ 2,540	18%

(1) Includes third-party revenue from TripAdvisor Media Group as well as our Leisure transaction-based websites.

Merchant revenue increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, due to the increase in merchant hotel revenue primarily driven by an increase in room nights stayed.

Agency revenue increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, primarily due to growth in our agency hotel business and to a lesser extent higher fees related to our corporate travel business and destination service revenue.

Advertising and media revenue increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, primarily due to a 34% and 33% increase in advertising revenue at TripAdvisor Media Group. For the three months ended September 30, 2011, the increase in revenue compared to the prior year period was primarily driven by an increase in international click-based advertising revenue. TripAdvisor Media Group experienced accelerated growth during the nine month period ended September 30, 2011 in click-based revenue, display advertising revenue and growth in other revenue, primarily comprised of subscription-based products.

Cost of Revenue

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
Customer operations	\$ 97	\$ 85	15%	\$ 275	\$ 245	12%
Credit card processing	70	63	11%	188	161	17%
Data center and other	43	42	1%	123	111	11%
Total cost of revenue	\$ 210	\$ 190	10%	\$ 586	\$ 517	13%
% of revenue	18.4%	19.2%		19.6%	20.3%	

Cost of revenue primarily consists of (1) customer operations, including our customer support and telesales as well as fees to air ticket fulfillment vendors, (2) credit card processing, including merchant fees, charge backs and fraud, and (3) other costs, primarily including data center costs to support our websites, certain promotions, destination supply and stock-based compensation.

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During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, the primary drivers of the increase in cost of revenue expense were higher credit card processing costs related to our merchant transaction growth as well as higher call and data center costs, partially offset by credit card rebates.

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	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
Direct costs	\$ 300	\$ 255	18%	\$ 829	\$ 674	23%
Indirect costs	108	89	22%	314	248	27%
Total selling and marketing	\$ 408	\$ 344	19%	\$ 1,143	\$ 922	24%
% of revenue	35.8%	34.8%		38.3%	36.3%	

Selling and marketing expense primarily relates to direct costs, including traffic generation costs from search engines and internet portals, television, radio and print spending, private label and affiliate program commissions, public relations and other costs. The remainder of the expense relates to indirect costs, including personnel and related overhead in our Partner Services Group (PSG), TripAdvisor Media Group and Egencia and stock-based compensation costs.

Selling and marketing expenses increased \$64 million during the three months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same period in 2010, driven by increases in affiliate and offline marketing expenses at Expedia Affiliate Network, Expedia and Hotels.com as well as higher personnel expenses driven by additional headcount across most of our brands, primarily at the Expedia brand, TripAdvisor Media Group and PSG. Selling and marketing expenses increased \$221 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same period in 2010, driven by increases in both online marketing expenses at Hotels.com and the TripAdvisor Media Group and offline marketing expenses at Expedia and Hotels.com as well as higher personnel expenses driven by additional headcount across most of our brands.

Technology and Content

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
Personnel and overhead	\$ 63	\$ 48	31%	\$ 181	\$ 139	30%
Depreciation and amortization of technology assets	26	20	28%	71	56	26%
Other	28	25	11%	78	73	9%
Total technology and content	\$ 117	\$ 93	25%	\$ 330	\$ 268	23%
% of revenue	10.2%	9.4%		11.1%	10.5%	

Technology and content expense includes product development and content expense, as well as information technology costs to support our infrastructure, back-office applications and overall monitoring and security of our networks, and is principally comprised of personnel and overhead, depreciation and amortization of technology assets including hardware, and purchased and internally developed software, and other costs including licensing and maintenance expense and stock-based compensation.

The increase of \$24 million and \$62 million in technology and content expense during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, was primarily due to higher personnel costs for additional headcount to support our corporate technology function, the Expedia brand, PSG and the TripAdvisor Media Group as well as increased depreciation and amortization of technology assets.

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	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
Personnel and overhead	\$ 57	\$ 46	23%	\$ 156	\$ 129	21%
Professional fees and other	47	30	60%	115	97	20%
Total general and administrative	\$ 104	\$ 76	37%	\$ 271	\$ 226	20%

% of revenue 9.1% 7.7% 9.1% 8.9%

General and administrative expense consists primarily of personnel-related costs, including our executive leadership, finance, legal and human resource functions as well as fees for external professional services including legal, tax and accounting, and other costs including stock-based compensation.

The \$28 million and \$45 million increase in general and administrative expense during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, was due primarily to higher personnel expenses resulting from an increase in headcount as well as an increase in legal costs and related reserves and consulting fees.

Amortization of Intangible Assets

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
Amortization of intangible assets	\$ 8	\$ 8	(2%)	\$ 23	\$ 25	(10%)
% of revenue	0.7%	0.8%		0.8%	1.0%	

Spin-off Costs

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, we recognized \$4 million and \$7 million in non-recurring expenses incurred to affect the spin-off of TripAdvisor Media Group.

Operating Income

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
Operating income	\$ 289	\$ 277	5%	\$ 625	\$ 583	7%
% of revenue	25.4%	28.0%		20.9%	22.9%	

Operating income increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, primarily due to a growth in revenue, partially offset by increased costs and expenses including a growth in selling and marketing expense, technology and content expense and general and administrative expense in excess of revenue growth. General and administrative expenses included a \$12 million increase in legal costs and related reserves, which negatively impacted operating income during the third quarter of 2011.

Interest Income and Expense

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change

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	(\$ in millions)				(\$ in millions)					
Interest income	\$	6	\$	2	140%	\$	15	\$	4	248%
Interest expense		(32)		(27)	19%		(95)		(68)	38%

Interest income increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, primarily due to higher average cash and cash equivalent balances as well as higher yields on cash and cash equivalents. Interest expense increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, compared to the same periods in 2010, primarily resulting from additional interest on the \$750 million senior unsecured notes issued in August 2010.

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Other, net changed from loss of \$14 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010 to a gain of \$8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011 primarily due to net foreign exchange rate gains during the period versus losses in the prior year period. Other, net changed from loss of \$12 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 to a loss of \$3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 primarily due to lower net foreign exchange rate losses.

Provision for Income Taxes

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,		
	2011	2010	% Change	2011	2010	% Change
	(\$ in millions)			(\$ in millions)		
Provision for income taxes	\$ 61	\$ 61	0%	\$ 138	\$ 152	(9%)
Effective tax rate	22.4%	25.4%		25.5%	30.1%	

We determine our provision for income taxes for interim periods using an estimate of our annual effective rate. We record any changes to the estimated annual rate in the interim period in which the change occurs, including discrete tax items.

The decrease in the effective rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 as compared to the same periods in 2010 was primarily due to an increase in estimated earnings in jurisdictions outside the United States and to a lesser extent adjustments resulting from a reconciliation of the prior year's income tax return to our provision for income taxes.

Our effective tax rate was 22.4% and 25.5% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, which was lower than the 35% federal statutory rate primarily due an increase in estimated earnings in jurisdictions outside the United States and to a lesser extent adjustments resulting from a reconciliation of the prior year's income tax return to our provision for income taxes, partially offset by state income taxes.

Our effective tax rate was 25.4% and 30.1% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, which is lower than the 35% federal statutory rate primarily due to a reversal of accruals for uncertain tax positions resulting from the conclusion of 2005 to 2007 IRS audits and an increase in estimated earnings in jurisdictions outside the United States, partially offset by state income taxes.

Financial Position, Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal sources of liquidity are cash flows generated from operations; our cash and cash equivalents and short-term investment balances, which were \$2.0 billion and \$1.2 billion at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, including \$290 million and \$153 million of cash and cash equivalents and short-term investment balances of majority-owned subsidiaries; and our \$750 million revolving credit facility. As of September 30, 2011, \$730 million was available under the facility representing the total \$750 million facility less \$20 million of outstanding stand-by letters of credit.

In August 2011, we amended the revolving credit facility to, among other things, extend the maturity date of the revolving credit facility to August 2016, reduce the interest rate spread on drawn amounts thereunder and reduce the commitment fee on undrawn amounts thereunder. The facility bears interest based on the Company's credit ratings, with drawn amounts bearing interest at LIBOR plus 150 basis points and the commitment fee on undrawn amounts at 22.5 basis points as of September 30, 2011.

Our credit ratings are periodically reviewed by rating agencies. In October 2009, our long-term ratings from Moody's and Standard and Poor's were raised to Ba1 and BBB-, respectively. In August 2010, in conjunction with our 5.95% senior notes offering, Fitch issued a BBB- rating for Expedia. Standard and Poor's maintained a stable ratings outlook and Moody's changed its outlook to positive in August 2010. In April 2011, in response to our announcement of the TripAdvisor spin-off, Moody's affirmed its Ba1 rating and changed its outlook to stable, while S&P and Fitch placed the Company's ratings on Credit Watch Negative and Rating Watch Negative, respectively. In July 2011, S&P announced that they were likely to affirm Expedia's ratings at BBB-, assuming the spin-off is completed as proposed. In October 2011, Fitch affirmed its rating

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at BBB- with an outlook of stable. Changes in our operating results, cash flows, or financial position could impact the ratings assigned by the various rating agencies. Should our credit ratings be adjusted downward, we may incur higher costs to borrow, which could have a material impact on our financial condition and results of operations.

The indenture governing our \$400 million aggregate principal amount of outstanding 8.5% senior notes due 2016 contains certain covenants that could restrict implementation of the proposed TripAdvisor spin-off. In light of such covenants, we anticipate that we will redeem the 8.5% notes and, prior to consummation of the spin-off, such notes will be discharged or defeased. The redemption price will be equal to 100% of the principal amount plus a make-whole premium as of, and accrued and unpaid interest to, the redemption date. The one-time charge related to this redemption, which includes the make-whole premium as well as the write-off of unamortized debt issue costs, is estimated at approximately \$45 million (or \$29 million net of tax) as of September 30, 2011.

Under the merchant model, we receive cash from travelers at the time of booking and we record these amounts on our consolidated balance sheets as deferred merchant bookings. We pay our airline suppliers related to these merchant model bookings generally within a few weeks after completing the transaction, but we are liable for the full value of such transactions until the flights are completed. For most other merchant bookings, which is primarily our merchant hotel business, we pay after the travelers use and subsequent billing from the hotel suppliers. Therefore, generally we receive cash from the traveler prior to paying our suppliers, and this operating cycle represents a working capital source of cash to us. As long as the merchant hotel business grows, we expect that changes in working capital related to merchant hotel transactions will positively impact operating cash flows. However, we continue to evaluate the use of the merchant model versus the agency model in each of our markets. If the merchant hotel model declines relative to our other business models that generally consume working capital such as agency hotel, managed corporate travel or media, or if there are changes to the merchant model or booking patterns which compress the time of receipts of cash from travelers to payment to suppliers, our overall working capital benefits could be reduced, eliminated, or even reversed.

Seasonal fluctuations in our merchant hotel bookings affect the timing of our annual cash flows. During the first half of the year, hotel bookings have traditionally exceeded stays, resulting in much higher cash flow related to working capital. During the second half of the year, this pattern reverses and cash flows are typically negative. While we expect the impact of seasonal fluctuations to continue, merchant hotel growth rates, changes to the model or booking patterns, as well as changes in the relative mix of merchant hotel transactions compared with transactions in our working capital consuming businesses may counteract or intensify the anticipated seasonal fluctuations.

As of September 30, 2011, we had a deficit in our working capital of \$18 million, compared to a deficit of \$188 million as of December 31, 2010.

We continue to invest in the development and expansion of our operations. Ongoing investments include but are not limited to improvements to infrastructure, which include our servers, networking equipment and software, release improvements to our software code, platform migrations and consolidation and search engine marketing and optimization efforts. Our future capital requirements may include capital needs for acquisitions, share repurchases, dividend payments or expenditures in support of our business strategy; thus reducing our cash balance and/or increasing our debt.

Our cash flows are as follows:

	Nine months ended September 30,		\$ Change
	2011	2010 (In millions)	
Cash provided by (used in):			
Operating activities	\$ 1,225	\$ 938	\$ 287
Investing activities	(310)	(849)	539
Financing activities	(163)	241	(404)
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(13)	(21)	8

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For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, net cash provided by operating activities increased by \$287 million primarily due to increased benefits from working capital changes.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, net cash used in investing activities decreased by \$539 million primarily due to lower net purchases of investments of \$597 million and lower cash used for acquisitions of \$20 million, partially offset by higher capital expenditures of \$61 million.

Cash used in financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 primarily included cash paid to acquire shares of \$209 million, including the repurchased shares under the 2010 authorization discussed below, as well as \$58 million in cash dividend payments, partially offset by a net \$71 million inflow related to the May 2011 eLong transaction and our purchase of additional interests in another subsidiary and \$23 million of proceeds from the exercise of equity awards. Cash provided by financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 primarily included net proceeds of \$743 million from the 5.95% senior notes issued in August 2010 and \$39 million of proceeds from the exercise of equity awards, partially offset by cash paid to acquire shares of \$394 million, including the repurchased shares under the 2006 authorization discussed below, \$78 million paid to acquire additional interests in certain majority owned subsidiaries, as well as \$60 million in cash dividend payments.

In 2006, our Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase of up to 20 million outstanding shares of our common stock. In October 2010, the Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Directors, authorized an additional repurchase of up to 20 million outstanding shares of our common stock. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, we repurchased, through open market transactions, 7.6 million shares and 16.6 million shares under these authorizations for a total cost of \$199 million and \$382 million, excluding transaction costs, representing an average repurchase price of \$26.39 and \$23.02 per share. As of September 30, 2011, 11.8 million shares remain authorized for repurchase under the October 2010 authorization. As of November 7, 2011, subsequent to the end of the third quarter of 2011, we repurchased an additional 2.4 million shares for a total cost of \$65 million, excluding transaction costs, representing an average repurchase price of \$26.74 per share.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Directors, declared and we paid the following dividends:

Declaration Date	Dividend Per Share	Record Date	Total Amount (in thousands)	Payment Date
Nine months ended September 30, 2011:				
February 9, 2011	\$ 0.07	March 11, 2011	\$ 19,352	March 31, 2011
April 27, 2011	0.07	May 27, 2011	19,232	June 17, 2011
July 26, 2011	0.07	August 26, 2011	19,148	September 16, 2011
Nine months ended September 30, 2010:				
February 10, 2010	\$ 0.07	March 11, 2010	\$ 20,220	March 31, 2010
April 27, 2010	0.07	May 27, 2010	19,902	June 17, 2010
July 26, 2010	0.07	August 26, 2010	19,703	September 16, 2010

In addition, on October 26, 2011, the Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Directors, declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.07 per share of outstanding common stock to stockholders of record as of the close of business on November 18, 2011. Future declarations of dividends are subject to final determination of our Board of Directors.

In our opinion, available cash, funds from operations and available borrowings will provide sufficient capital resources to meet our foreseeable liquidity needs. There can be no assurance, however, that the cost or availability of future borrowings, including refinancings, if any, will be available on terms acceptable to us.

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Contractual Obligations, Commercial Commitments and Off-balance Sheet Arrangements

There have been no material changes outside the normal course of business to our contractual obligations and commercial commitments since December 31, 2010. Other than our contractual obligations and commercial commitments, we did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as of September 30, 2011 or December 31, 2010.

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Part I. Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Market Risk Management

There has been no material change in our market risk during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011. For additional information, see Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk, in Part II of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

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Part I. Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

As required by Rule 13a-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), our management, including our Chairman and Senior Executive, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act). Based upon that evaluation, our Chairman and Senior Executive, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

Changes in internal control over financial reporting.

There were no changes to our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2011 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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Part II. Item 1. Legal Proceedings

In the ordinary course of business, Expedia and its subsidiaries are parties to legal proceedings and claims involving property, personal injury, contract, alleged infringement of third party intellectual property rights and other claims. A discussion of certain legal proceedings can be found in the section titled "Legal Proceedings," of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 and our subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. The following are developments regarding such legal proceedings:

Litigation Relating to Hotel Occupancy Taxes

Actions Filed by Individual States, Cities and Counties

San Diego, California Litigation. On September 6, 2011, the court handling the California consolidated cases overturned the city of San Diego's administrative decision that was in the city's favor and held that the online travel companies are not liable for hotel occupancy taxes.

Columbus, Georgia Litigation. The judge who has presided over the case since its inception resigned amid a Judicial Qualifications Commission investigation and the case has been assigned to a new judge. Expedia's motion for removal of the case to federal court was denied and the case shall now proceed in front of a new judge.

City of Houston, Texas Litigation. On October 25, 2011, the Texas state court of appeals held that online travel companies are not liable to pay hotel occupancy taxes to the city of Houston on their services.

Jacksonville, Florida Litigation. The parties have reached a settlement regarding convention development taxes.

Lyndhurst, New Jersey Litigation. A federal appeals court affirmed the trial court decision dismissing, on standing grounds, a putative class action seeking occupancy taxes brought by the town of Lyndhurst, on behalf of itself and similarly situated municipalities, townships and counties in New Jersey.

County of Genesee, County of Calhoun, County of Ingham and County of Saginaw, Michigan Litigation. The parties have reached a settlement in principle.

Rosemont, Illinois Litigation. On October 14, 2011, the court granted summary judgment in favor of the town of Rosemont and denied the online travel companies' motion for summary judgment.

Palm Beach, Florida Litigation. The parties have reached a settlement in principle.

Lawrence County, Pennsylvania Litigation. On August 4, 2011, a state appeals court issued an order affirming in part, and reversing in part, a lower court's dismissal of a putative class action against the online travel companies brought by Lawrence County on behalf of all Pennsylvania counties. The court is allowing the municipalities' claims for declaratory judgment to proceed.

Hamilton County, Ohio Litigation. The court held that the online travel companies are not liable under the hotel occupancy ordinances of the three jurisdictions in the suit, including the city of Cincinnati, and granted in part and denied in part the online travel companies' motion to dismiss.

Montgomery County, Maryland Litigation. The court granted in part and denied in part the online travel companies' motion to dismiss. The court dismissed the county's claims for unjust enrichment and failure to separately state taxes.

District of Columbia Litigation. On October 12, 2011, the court denied the online travel companies' motion to dismiss. The District of Columbia has filed a motion for summary judgment.

Volusia County, Florida Litigation. On September 13, 2011, the court denied the online travel companies' motion to dismiss.

In addition, the following cases were filed and/or served during the third quarter of 2011:

City of Breckenridge, Colorado Litigation. On July 25 2011, Breckenridge, Colorado brought suit against a

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number of online travel companies, including Hotels.com, Expedia and Hotwire, on behalf of itself and, purportedly, other similarly situated Colorado home rule municipalities. *Town of Breckenridge v. Colorado Travel Co., LLC, et al.*, Case No. 2011 CV420 (In the District Court, Summit County, Colorado). The complaint includes claims for declaratory judgment, violation of ordinance, conversion, civil conspiracy, and unjust enrichment. The online travel companies have filed a motion to dismiss.

Nassau County, New York Litigation. On September 26, 2011, Nassau County re-filed its suit against a number of online travel companies, including Hotels.com, Expedia and Hotwire, in New York state court, on behalf of itself and, purportedly, other similarly situated New York cities, counties and local governmental entities. *County of Nassau v. Expedia, Inc., et al.* (In the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Nassau). The complaint includes claims for violation of hotel tax laws, conversion, unjust enrichment and imposition of constructive trust. Nassau County's prior federal court action was dismissed for lack of jurisdiction.

Notices of Audit or Tax Assessments

At various times, the Company has also received notices of audit, or tax assessments from municipalities and other taxing jurisdictions concerning our possible obligations with respect to state and local hotel occupancy or related taxes, which are listed in the section titled "Legal Proceedings" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 and our subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. In addition, the States of Arkansas, Colorado, Maryland and Georgia have begun or attempted to pursue formal or informal audits or administrative procedures, or stated that they may assert claims against us relating to allegedly unpaid state or local hotel occupancy or related taxes.

The Company believes that the claims discussed above lack merit and will continue to defend vigorously against them.

Actions Filed by Expedia

Broward County, Florida Litigation. On September 16, 2011, the court denied Broward County's motion to amend its claims to assert a claim for punitive damages.

North Carolina/Durham County Litigation. The defendants have moved to dismiss the plaintiff online travel companies' complaint.

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Part II. Item 1A. Risk Factors

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the factors discussed below and in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2011, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. The risks described below and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K are not the only risks facing the Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results.

Table of Contents**Part II. Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds*****Share Repurchase***

In October 2010, the Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Board of Directors, authorized a repurchase of up to 20 million outstanding shares of our common stock. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, we repurchased 7.6 million shares under this authorization for a total cost of \$199 million, excluding transaction costs, representing an average repurchase price of \$26.39 per share. As of September 30, 2011, 11.8 million shares remain authorized for repurchase under the October 2010 authorization. There is no fixed termination date for the repurchases.

A summary of the repurchase activity for the third quarter of 2011 is as follows:

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share (In thousands, except per share data)	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
July 1-31, 2011		\$		17,384
August 1-31, 2011	2,600	27.95	2,600	14,784
September 1-30, 2011	2,958	29.07	2,958	11,826
Total	5,558	28.55	5,558	

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Part II. Item 6. Exhibits

The exhibits listed below are filed as part of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Exhibit No.	Exhibit Description	Filed		Incorporated by Reference		
		Herewith	Form	SEC File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date
10.1	Executive Release of Claims Agreement between Expedia, Inc. (Washington) and Michael Adler, dated as of September 28, 2011		S-4/A	333-175828	10.15	10/24/11
10.2	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between Expedia, Inc. and Mark D. Okerstrom, effective as of October 20, 2011		S-4/A	333-175828	10.18	10/31/11
31.1	Certification of the Chairman and Senior Executive Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	X				
31.2	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	X				
31.3	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	X				
32.1	Certification of the Chairman and Senior Executive pursuant Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	X				
32.2	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	X				
32.3	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	X				
101	The following financial statements from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, formatted in XBRL: (i) Consolidated Statements of Operations, (ii) Consolidated Balance Sheets, (iii) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and (iv) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.					

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Signature

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

November 7, 2011

Expedia, Inc.

By: /s/ MARK D. OKERSTROM
Mark D. Okerstrom
Chief Financial Officer

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