
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT FILED PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 7, 1999

CMGI, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-22846 (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 Brickstone Square, Andover, MA 01810 (Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

(978) 684-3600 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events.

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On May 7, 1999, CMGI, Inc. issued a news release relating to the restatement of its results for its third and fourth quarters of fiscal 1998 ended April 30, 1998 and July 31, 1998, respectively, and its first and second quarters of fiscal 1999 ended October 31, 1998 and January 31, 1999, respectively. A copy of the news release containing such announcement is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

No financial statements or pro forma financial information are filed as a part of this report. The exhibit filed as part of this report is listed in the Exhibit index hereto.

Exhibit	
No	

No.	Description	
99.1	News release dated May 7, 1999, issued by CMGI, Inc.	

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

CMGI, INC. (Registrant)

/s/ Andrew J. Hajducky III
-----Andrew J. Hajducky III, CPA
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

May 7, 1999

For Immediate Release: May 7, 1999

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CMGI, Inc. Announces Revaluation of In-Process Research and Development Acquisition Charges

Andover, MA--- CMGI, Inc. (NASDAQ: CMGI) today announced that it has completed a review of its previously reported acquisition-related charges, including the impact of the recently announced adjustments made to in-process research and development charges by Lycos, Inc., and the in-process research and development charge recorded in the third quarter of fiscal year 1998 in conjunction with CMGI's acquisition of Accipiter, Inc.

On April 16, 1999, Lycos, Inc. announced that in connection with the filing of a Registration Statement on Form S-4 with the Securities and Exchange Commission, it had reviewed its accounting treatment for in-process research and development in four completed 1998 acquisitions. In light of the SEC's recent interpretation of the accounting for acquired in-process technology resulting from acquisitions using the purchase method of accounting, Lycos, like many other technology and Internet companies, reduced its cumulative one-time in-process research and development charges from those acquisitions and adjusted the related amortization of intangible assets for the subsequent quarters accordingly. The adjustments recorded involve only non-cash charges and do not affect Lycos' previously reported revenues, EBITDA or cash flows for any of the periods. During such periods, CMGI's ownership in Lycos ranged from approximately 46% to approximately 22%, and CMGI accounted for its investment in Lycos under the equity method of accounting, whereby CMGI's portion of the net operating performance of Lycos was reflected in equity in losses of affiliates. Additionally, during such periods CMGI recorded gains on sales of portions of its Lycos stock holdings, and recorded gains on issuances of stock by Lycos. As a result of the Lycos restatements, CMGI has accordingly restated previously reported equity in losses of Lycos, gains on sales of Lycos stock and gains on issuance of stock by Lycos for CMGI's fiscal quarters ended April 30, 1998, July 31, 1998, October 31, 1998 and January 31, 1999.

Such restatements resulted in net increases in pre-tax income of \$18,631,000 and \$283,000 for the quarters ended April 30, 1998 and October 31, 1998, respectively, and net decreases in pre-tax income of \$6,467,000 and \$1,125,000 for the quarters ended July 31, 1998 and January 31, 1999, respectively. Lycos' reduction of previously recorded in-process research and development charges resulted in higher gains on Lycos stock issuances recorded by CMGI, thereby increasing CMGI's book basis in its Lycos investment and resulting in lower gains on sales of Lycos stock and reduced gains on Lycos stock issuances in subsequent quarters. Related higher amortization charges recorded by Lycos in subsequent quarters resulted in higher equity in loss of affiliates amounts recorded by CMGI.

Beginning in January, 1999, CMGI's ownership in Lycos was reduced below 20%, and accordingly CMGI began accounting for its investment in Lycos as available-for-sale securities, carried at fair value. Since CMGI's investment in Lycos is now carried at fair value, CMGI's future operating results will not be affected by resultant increased amortization charges to be recorded in Lycos' stand-alone financial statements.

Similarly, using revised guidelines and assumptions generally suggested by the SEC and as clarified through existing practice, CMGI has voluntarily adjusted the amount originally allocated to in-process

research and development for its acquisition of Accipiter, Inc. during the third fiscal quarter of 1998. As a result, the third quarter pre-tax charge for acquired in-process research and development was decreased from the \$18 million amount previously recorded to the amount of \$9.2 million. Correspondingly, the value of goodwill recorded on the balance sheet related to the acquisition of Accipiter was increased from \$11.5 million to \$18.4 million, completed technologies were valued at \$1.6 million, and other intangibles were valued at \$300,000. These adjustments to the purchase price allocation of Accipiter have no effect upon the cash flows, financial condition or liquidity of the Company.

The Company plans to amortize the value of goodwill over five years and the values of completed technologies and other intangible assets over their estimated useful lives of five and two years, respectively, commencing as of April 1998. As a result of these changes, amortization of Accipiter acquisition-related intangible assets in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1998 increased to \$1 million from \$0.6 million previously reported. Amortization of acquisition-related intangible assets during fiscal 1999 is expected to be \$1 million per quarter and will continue at this level through the second quarter of fiscal 2003, with a final charge of \$0.7 million in the third quarter of fiscal year 2003.

The combined impact of the Lycos and Accipiter related restatements on the third quarter of fiscal 1998 is to reduce the previously recorded net loss of \$11.7 million, or (\$0.27) per diluted share, to a net income of \$7.9 million, or \$0.17 per diluted share. Similarly, the impact of recorded adjustments to fourth quarter fiscal 1998 is to reduce the previously recorded net income of \$31.4 million, or \$0.64 per diluted share, to a net income of \$27.1 million, or \$0.55 per diluted share. First quarter fiscal 1999 net income of \$38.6 million, or \$0.77 per diluted share was reduced to \$38.3 million, remaining at \$0.77 per diluted share, and second quarter fiscal 1999 net income of \$14.1 million, or \$0.28 per diluted share was reduced to \$13 million, or \$0.25 per diluted share.

The combined changes to the Company's previously reported consolidated statements of operations as a result of these adjustments are shown in the attached financial tables. Due to the Company's decision to sell its CMG Direct subsidiary, which comprised the Company's list and database business segment, amounts presented in both "As Restated" and "As Reported" in the financial tables include the results of CMG Direct's operations and the Company's previously reported gain on sale of data warehouse product rights as discontinued operations for all periods presented. In connection with SEC guidelines, the Company's annual report on Form 10K for the year ended July 31, 1998, and the quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for the third quarter of fiscal year 1998 and first and second quarters of fiscal year 1999 will be amended and restated to reflect these changes.

CMGI, Inc. is a leading provider of direct marketing services, investing in and integrating advanced Internet, interactive media and database technologies.

Forward looking statements in this release are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Act. Investors are cautioned that actual results could differ materially from those anticipated by such statements and are advised to consult CMGI's current SEC filings for additional information concerning risk factors that affect the Company's business.

Three	Мс	nths		Ended
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	April 30, 1996		
		Restated	
Net revenues	\$ 18,145	\$ 18,145	
Operating expenses:			
Cost of revenues	17,203	17,230	
Research and development	3,849	3,849	
In-process research and development	18,060	9,250	
Selling	6,203	6,203	
General and administrative	4,987	5,114	
Total operating expenses	50,302	41,646	
Operating loss	(32,157)	(23,501)	
Other income (deductions):			
Gain on sale of Lycos, Inc. stock	26,092	24,850	
Gain on stock issuance by Lycos, Inc.	4,082	24,294	
Equity in losses of affiliates		(4,247)	
Interest income	573	573	
Interest expense	(775)	(775)	
Total	26,064	44,695	
Income (loss) from continuing operations before			
income taxes	(6,093)	21,194	
Income tax expense	5,454	13,125	
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(11,547)	8,069	
Loss from discontinued operations of lists and			
database services segment, net of income taxes	(147)	(147)	
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Net income (loss)	\$(11,694) ======	\$ 7,922 ======	

	Three Months Ended April 30, 1998		
	As Reported	Restated	
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share: Income (loss) from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment	\$ (0.27) -	\$ 0.19	
Net income (loss)	\$ (0.27) ======	\$ 0.19 ======	
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share: Income (loss) from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment	\$ (0.27)	\$ 0.17	
Net income (loss)	\$ (0.27) ======	\$ 0.17 ======	
Shares used in computing earnings (loss) per share: Basic	42 , 836	42,836 ======	
Diluted	42,836 ======	46,344 ======	

	Three Months Ended July 31, 1998		Year Ending July 31, 1998	
	As	Restated	As	Restated
Net revenues	\$ 25,946	\$ 25,946	\$ 81,916	\$ 81,916
Operating expenses: Cost of revenues Research and development In-process research and development Selling General and administrative	4,814 200 6,931 6,773	200 6,931 7,154	19,223 19,135 28,882 20,287	19,223 10,325 28,882 20,795
Total operating expenses	46,408	46,869	160,370	152 , 175
Operating loss	(20,462)	(20,923)	(78,454)	(70,259)
Other income (deductions): Gain on sale of Lycos, Inc. stock Gain on sale of Premiere Technologies, Inc. stock Gain on stock issuance by Lycos, Inc. Minority interest Equity in losses of affiliates Interest income Interest expense Total	24,305 - (3,397) 714 (1,035)	(4,108)	4,174 28,301 (28) (11,821) 2,426 (3,296)	4,174 46,285 (28) (12,871) 2,426 (3,296)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes Income tax expense Income from continuing operations	54,103 22,448	47,175 19,785	38,460 26,547	58,819 31,555
Discontinued operations, net of income taxes: Loss from operations of lists and database services segment Gain on sale of data warehouse product rights	(259) - 		(338) 4,978	(338)
Net income	\$ 31,396 ======			\$ 31,904 ======

	Three Months Ended July 31, 1998		Year Ending July 31, 1998	
	As		As Reported	Restated
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share: Income from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment Gain on sale of data warehouse product rights	\$ 0.69 - -	\$ 0.60	,	\$ 0.65 (0.01) 0.12
Net income	\$ 0.69 ======	\$ 0.60 ======	\$ 0.40 =====	\$ 0.76
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share: Income from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment Gain on sale of data warehouse product rights Net income	\$ 0.64 - - - \$ 0.64 ======	\$ 0.55 - - - \$ 0.55		\$ 0.61 (0.01) 0.11 \$ 0.71
Shares used in computing earnings (loss) per share: Basic Diluted	=======	45,588 ==================================	41,666 45,030	=======

		ths Ended 31, 1998
	As Reported	Restated
Net revenues	\$ 37,405	\$ 37,405
Operating expenses: Cost of revenues Research and development Selling General and administrative	5,353 8,238 7,936	35,625 5,353 8,238 8,317
Total operating expenses Operating loss		57,533 (20,128)
Other income (deductions): Gain on sale of Lycos, Inc. stock Gain on stock issuance by Lycos, Inc. Gain on stock issuance by GeoCities Gain on sale of investment in Sage Enterprises, Inc. Gain on sale of investment in Reel.com, Inc. Minority interest Equity in losses of affiliates Interest income Interest expense Total	19,182 24,132 19,057 23,158 101 (2,589) 559 (1,068)	(3,359) 559 (1,068)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes Income tax expense	26 , 199	64,705 26,316
Income from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment, net of income taxes	,	(131)
Net income	\$ 38,553 =======	•

	Three Months Ended October 31, 1998		
	As Reported	Restated	
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share: Income from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.83	
Net income	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.83	
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share: Income from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.77	
Net income	\$ 0.77 =======	\$ 0.77 ========	
Shares used in computing earnings (loss) per share: Basic	46,082 =======	46 , 082	
Diluted	49 , 932	- ,	

	Three Months Ended January 31, 1999		Six Months Ended January 31, 1999		
	As Reported	Restated		As Restated	
Net revenues	\$ 38,972	\$ 38,972	\$ 76 , 377	\$ 76 , 377	
Operating expenses:					
Cost of revenues	37,043	37,123 5,239	72,588	72,748	
Research and development	5,239	5,239	10,592	10,592	
Selling	6,932	6,932 10,747	15,170	15,170	
General and administrative	10,366	10,747	18,302	19,064	
Total operating expenses		60,041			
Operating loss	(20,608)	(21,069)	(40,275)	(41,197)	
Other income (deductions):					
Gain on sale of Lycos, Inc. stock	44,503	43,596	46,521	45,475	
Gain on sale of Amazon.com, Inc. stock	7,002	7,002	7,002	7,002	
Gain (loss) on stock issuance by Lycos, Inc.	(21)	(121)	19,161	20,253	
Gain on stock issuance by GeoCities	4,382	7,002 (121) 4,382	28,514	28,514	
Gain on sale of investment in Sage Enterprises, Inc.	_	_	19,057	19 , 057	
Gain on sale of investment in Reel.com, Inc.	=	=	19,057 23,158 204	23,158	
Minority interest					
Equity in losses of affiliates	(6 , 071)	(6,189)	(8,660)	(9 , 548)	
Interest income	748	748	1,307	1,307	
Interest expense		(1,165)	(2,233)	(2,233)	
Total		48,356			
Income from continuing operations before					
income taxes	28,873	27,287	93,756	91,992	
Income tax expense		14,138	40,800		
Income from continuing operations		13,149			
Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment, net of income taxes	, ,	(148)	, ,	, ,	
Net income		\$ 13,001			
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	Three Months Ended January 31, 1999		Six Months Ended January 31, 1999	
	As	Restated	Reported	As Restated
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share: Income from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment	\$ 0.30 -	\$ 0.28	\$ 1.14 (0.01)	\$ 1.11 (0.01)
Net income	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.28	\$ 1.13	\$ 1.10
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share: Income from continuing operations Loss from discontinued operations of lists and database services segment Net income	\$ 0.28 \$ 0.28 	\$ 0.25 \$ 0.25	\$ 1.05 (0.01) \$ 1.04	\$ 1.02 (0.01) \$ 1.01
Shares used in computing earnings (loss) per share: Basic	46 , 260	•	46 , 160	46 , 160
Diluted		51,257 ======	50,650 =====	50,650 =====