CREDITRISKMONITOR COM INC

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	FORM 10-Q
x o	QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2008 TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT For the transition period from to Commission file number 1-8601
	CREDITRISKMONITOR.COM, INC.
	(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)
Neva	nda 36-2972588
	e or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) poration or organization)
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	(Address of principal executive offices)
	(845) 230-3000
	(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)
India	eate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 193

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 x No o

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

> Large accelerated filer o Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes o Nox

APPLICABLE ONLY TO ISSUERS INVOLVED IN BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Sections 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court.

Yes o Noo APPLICABLE ONLY TO CORPORATE ISSUERS

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer s classes of common stock, as of the latest practical date:

Common stock \$.01 par value 7,849,462 shares outstanding as of November 3, 2008.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

CREDITRISKMONITOR.COM, INC. BALANCE SHEETS SEPTEMBER 30, 2008 AND DECEMBER 31, 2007

		Sept. 30, 2008		Dec. 31, 2007
	J)	Unaudited)		(Note 1)
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,257,441	\$	2,973,263
Accounts receivable, net of allowance		861,057		737,436
Other current assets		160,975		260,657
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Total current assets		4,279,473		3,971,356
Property and equipment, net		235,164		149,773
Goodwill		1,954,460		1,954,460
Prepaid and other assets		26,867		27,753
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Total assets	\$	6,495,964	\$	6,103,342
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Deferred revenue	\$	3,829,548	\$	3,391,339
Accounts payable		112,783		51,119
Accrued expenses		371,193		348,745
Current portion of long-term debt			_	136,141
Total current liabilities		4,313,524		3,927,344
Long-term debt, net of current portion				150,799
Other liabilities		4,892		66,422
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Total liabilities		4,318,416		4,144,565
Stockholders equity:				
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; authorized 5,000,000 shares; none issued				
Common stock, \$.01 par value; authorized 25,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding				
7,849,462 and 7,694,462 shares, respectively		78,494		76,944
Additional paid-in capital		28,265,794		28,221,907
Accumulated deficit		(26,166,740)		(26,340,074)

Total stockholders equity	 2,177,548	1,958,777
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 6,495,964	\$ 6,103,342

See accompanying condensed notes to financial statements.

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CREDITRISKMONITOR.COM, INC. STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2008 AND 2007 (Unaudited)

	_	2008		2007
Operating revenues	\$	1,493,498	\$	1,273,983
Operating expenses:				
Data and product costs		456,891		367,944
Selling, general and administrative expenses		909,565		738,751
Depreciation and amortization		19,818		16,089
Total operating expenses	_	1,386,274		1,122,784
Income from operations		107,224		151,199
Other income		6,821		25,220
Interest expense		(80)		(8,858)
Income before income taxes Provision for income taxes		113,965 880		167,561 4,129
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Net income	\$	113,085	\$	163,432
Net income per share of common stock:				
Basic	\$	0.01	\$	0.02
Diluted	\$	0.01	\$	0.02
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:	,		,	***
Basic		7,709,139		7,694,462
Diluted See accompanying condensed notes to financia	ıl state	7,848,460		8,144,281

CREDITRISKMONITOR.COM, INC. STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2008 AND 2007 (Unaudited)

			2008		2007
Operating revenues		\$	4,263,138	\$	3,665,960
Operating expenses:					
Data and product costs			1,335,862		1,197,246
Selling, general and administrative exp	enses		2,723,308		2,195,938
Depreciation and amortization			57,829		49,416
Total operating expenses			4,116,999		3,442,600
Income from operations			146,139		223,360
Other income			40,285		62,000
Interest expense		_	(9,853)		(29,584)
Income before income taxes			176,571		255,776
Provision for income taxes			3,237		14,311
Net income		\$	173,334	\$	241,465
Net income per share of common stock	•				
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Basic		\$	0.02	\$	0.03
Diluted		\$	0.02	\$	0.03
Weighted average number of common	shares outstanding:				
Basic			7,699,466		7,694,462
Diluted			8,007,976		8,129,875
	See accompanying condensed notes to financial statements.	•			, , , , , ,
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CREDITRISKMONITOR.COM, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2008 AND 2007 (Unaudited)

		2008		2007	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income	\$	173,334	\$	241,465	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				ĺ	
Depreciation		57,829		49,416	
Deferred rent		(2,640)		(426)	
Stock-based compensation		40,422		31,016	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				,	
Accounts receivable		(123,621)		14,407	
Other current assets		99,682		164,523	
Prepaid and other assets		886		1,557	
Deferred revenue		438,209		277,280	
Accounts payable		61,664		2,910	
Accrued expenses		22,448		(171,729)	
Other liabilities		(58,890)		(5,832)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		709,323		604,587	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Purchase of property and equipment		(143,220)		(8,256)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(143,220)		(8,256)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		5,015			
Payments on long-term debt		(286,940)		(90,962)	
Payments on capitalized lease obligations				(18,437)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(281,925)		(109,399)	
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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		284,178		486,932	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		2,973,263		2,467,520	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	3,257,441	\$	2,954,452	

See accompanying condensed notes to financial statements.

CREDITRISKMONITOR.COM, INC. CONDENSED NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

(1) Basis of Presentation

The condensed financial statements included herein have been prepared by CreditRiskMonitor.com, Inc. (the Company or CRM), without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations, although the Company believes that the disclosures herein are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. The December 31, 2007 balance sheet has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date, but does not include all disclosures required by GAAP. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and the notes thereto in the Company s annual report on Form 10-KSB for the year ended December 31, 2007.

In the opinion of the Company, the unaudited financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary to present fairly the Company s financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the periods presented. Results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full year.

(2) Stock-Based Compensation

The Company applies Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment (SFAS 123R) to account for stock-based compensation.

The following table summarizes the stock-based compensation expense for stock options that was recorded in the Company s results of operations in accordance with SFAS 123R for the three and nine months ended September 30:

	3 Months Ended September 30,		9 Months Ended September 30,					
		2008	_	2007	_	2008		2007
Data and product costs	\$	1,952	\$	1,953	\$	5,857	\$	5,858
Selling, general and administrative expenses		11,522	_	8,929	_	34,565	_	25,158
	\$	13,474	\$	10,882	\$	40,422	\$	31,016

(3) Other Recently Issued Accounting Standards

The Financial Accounting Standards Board and the SEC had issued certain accounting pronouncements as of September 30, 2008 that will become effective in subsequent periods; however, management does not believe that any of those pronouncements would have significantly affected our financial accounting measurements or disclosures had they been in effect during the interim periods for which financial statements are included in this quarterly report.

Management also believes those pronouncements will not have a significant effect on our future financial position or results of operations.

(4) Net Income Per Share

Basic net income per share is based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted net income per share is based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding and the dilutive effect of outstanding stock options:

	3 Months Ended September 30,		9 Months Septemb	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Weighted average shares outstanding basic	7,709,139	7,694,462	7,699,466	7,694,462
Potential shares exercisable under stock option plans	527,500	695,500	647,500	695,500
LESS: Shares which could be repurchased under treasury stock method	(388,179)	(245,681)	(338,990)	(260,087)
Weighted average shares outstanding diluted	7,848,460	8,144,281	8,007,976	8,129,875

The diluted earnings per share calculation for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 excluded 55,000 shares related to stock options as the exercise price of these options was greater than their average market value, which would result in an anti-dilutive effect on diluted earnings per share.

(5) Promissory Note

In April 2008, the Company prepaid, without penalty, the remaining \$254,000 balance on the promissory note related to the January 1999 purchase of the CreditRisk Monitor credit information service from Market Guide Inc. This note provided for periodic monthly payments with the last payment due on December 31, 2009.

(6) Deferred Compensation

In April 2008, the Company paid in full the remaining deferred compensation of \$58,890 owed to its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

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

BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

The continuing uncertainty in the worldwide financial system has negatively impacted general business conditions. It is possible that a weakening economy could adversely affect our clients—need for credit information, or even their solvency, but we cannot predict whether or to what extent this will occur. To the contrary, monthly bookings of new business subscriptions for September 2008 were the highest in the Company s history supporting our belief that the need for credit information is non-cyclical (see discussion on Non-cyclical found on page 4 of our 2007 Form 10-KSB).

FINANCIAL CONDITION, LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

At September 30, 2008, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$3.26 million compared to \$2.97 million at December 31, 2007. The Company had a working capital deficit (i.e., total current liabilities in excess of total current assets) of approximately \$34,000 at September 30, 2008 compared to working capital of approximately \$44,000 at December 31, 2007. This decrement in working capital is the result of the Company s prepayment of its promissory note as well as the remaining deferred compensation balance owed, both of these actions having occurred in April 2008. The Company s cash ratio (which measures a company s ability to pay its current bills and is computed by dividing cash and cash equivalents by total current liabilities) and its current ratio (which measures a company s ability to meet its current obligations and is computed by dividing total current assets by total current liabilities) remained relatively stable from December 31, 2007 to September 30, 2008. Additionally, the main component of current liabilities at September 30, 2008 is deferred revenue of \$3.83 million, which should not require significant future cash outlay other than the cost of preparation and delivery of the applicable commercial credit reports which cost much less than the deferred revenue shown. The deferred revenue is recognized as income over the subscription term, which approximates twelve months. The Company has no bank lines of credit or other currently available credit sources.

The Company believes that it will have sufficient resources to meet its working capital and capital expenditure needs for the foreseeable future.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Company is not a party to any off-balance sheet arrangements.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

3 Months Ended September 30,

	200	8	2007			
	Amount	% of Total Operating Revenues	Amount	% of Total Operating Revenues		
Operating revenues	\$ 1,493,498	100.00%	\$ 1,273,983	100.00%		
Operating expenses:						
Data and product costs	456,891	30.59%	367,944	28.88%		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	909,565	60.90%	738,751	57.99%		
Depreciation and amortization	19,818	1.33%	16,089	1.26%		
Total operating expenses	1,386,274	92.82%	1,122,784	88.13%		
Income from operations	107,224	7.18%	151,199	11.87%		
Other income	6,821	0.46%	25,220	1.98%		
Interest expense	(80)	(0.01%)	(8,858)	(0.70%)		
Income before income taxes	113,965	7.63%	167,561	13.15%		
Provision for income taxes	880	0.06%	4,129	0.32%		
Net income	\$ 113,085	7.57%	\$ 163,432	12.83%		

Operating revenues increased 17% for the three months ended September 30, 2008. This increase was primarily due to an increase in the number of subscribers and increased revenue from existing subscribers to the Company s Internet subscription service as the market became more aware of the Company s enhanced service, offset in part by a decrease in the number of subscribers to the Company s third-party international credit report subscription service.

Data and product costs increased 24% for the third quarter of 2008 compared to the same period of fiscal 2007. This increase was primarily due to higher consulting fees, higher salary and related employee benefits, including the hiring of an additional senior programmer, and the higher cost of third-party content due to price increases.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased 23% for the third quarter of fiscal 2008 compared to the same period of fiscal 2007. This increase was primarily due to higher salary and related employee benefit costs, resulting from an increase in the Company s sales force during the past 12 months, and higher marketing expenses. New salespeople require a learning curve to understand and sell the Company s service. Thus, there is a lag between the increase in the Company s sales force and anticipated higher sales.

Depreciation and amortization increased 23% for the third quarter of fiscal 2008 compared to the same period of fiscal 2007. This increase is due to a higher depreciable asset base reflecting the replacement of computer equipment that had been in operation past its depreciable life.

Other income decreased 73% for third quarter of fiscal 2008 compared to the same period last year. This decrease was due to a decrease in interest rates.

Interest expense decreased 99% for the third quarter of fiscal 2008 compared to the same period of fiscal 2007. This decrease was primarily due to the Company prepaying its long-term debt in April 2008.

Nine Months Ended September 30,

% of Total Operating Revenues
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100.00%
46 32.66%
38 59.90%
1.35%
93.91%
6.09%
00 1.70%
(0.81%)
76 6.98%
0.39%
65 6.59%

Operating revenues increased 16% for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 versus the first nine months of 2007. This increase was primarily due to an increase in the number of subscribers and increased revenue from existing subscribers to the Company s Internet subscription service as the market became more aware of the Company s enhanced service, offset in part by a decrease in the number of subscribers to the Company s third-party international credit report subscription service.

Data and product costs increased 12% for the first nine months of fiscal 2008 compared to the same period of fiscal 2007. This increase was primarily due to higher salary and related employee benefits, including the hiring of additional quality control personnel, higher consulting fees as well as the cost of new third-party content added to the Company s website.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased 24% for the first nine months of fiscal 2008 compared to the same period of fiscal 2007. This increase was primarily due to higher salary and related employee benefit costs, due to an increase in the Company s sales force during the past 12 months. New salespeople require a learning curve to understand and sell the Company s service. Thus, there is a lag between the increase in the Company s sales force and anticipated higher sales.

Depreciation and amortization increased by 17% for the first nine months of fiscal 2008 compared to the same period of fiscal 2007. This increase is due to a higher depreciable asset base reflecting the replacement of computer equipment that had been in operation past its depreciable life.

Other income decreased 35% for the first nine months of fiscal 2008 compared to the same period last year. This decrease was due to a decrease in interest rates.

Interest expense decreased 67% for the first nine months of fiscal 2008 compared to the same period of fiscal 2007. This decrease was primarily due to the Company prepaying its long-term debt in April 2008, as well as a lower outstanding long-term debt balance during the first quarter of 2008.

FUTURE OPERATIONS

The Company over time intends to expand its operations by expanding the breadth and depth of its product and service offerings and introducing new and complementary products. Gross margins attributable to new business areas may be lower than those associated with the Company s existing business activities.

Due to the evolving nature of the markets in which it competes, the Company s ability to accurately forecast its revenues, gross profits and operating expenses as a percentage of net sales is limited. The Company s current and future expense levels are based largely on its investment plans and estimates of future revenues. To a large extent these costs do not vary with revenue. Sales and operating results generally depend on the Company s ability to attract and retain customers and the volume of and timing of customer subscriptions for the Company s services, which are difficult to forecast. The Company may be unable to adjust spending in a timely manner to compensate for any unexpected revenue shortfall. Accordingly, any significant shortfall in revenues in relation to the Company s planned expenditures would have an immediate adverse effect on the Company s business, prospects, financial condition and results of operations. Further, as a strategic response to changes in the competitive environment, the Company may from time to time make certain pricing, service, marketing or acquisition decisions that could have a material adverse effect on its business, prospects, financial condition and results of operations.

Achieving greater profitability depends on the Company s ability to generate and sustain increased revenue levels. The Company believes that its success will depend in large part on its ability to (i) increase its brand awareness, (ii) provide its customers with outstanding value, thus encouraging customer renewals, and (iii) achieve sufficient sales volume to realize economies of scale. Accordingly, the Company intends to continue to increase the size of its sales force, invest in product development, operating infrastructure, marketing and promotion. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to achieve these objectives within a meaningful time frame.

The Company expects to experience significant fluctuations in its future quarterly operating results due to a variety of factors, some of which are outside the Company s control. Factors that may adversely affect the Company s quarterly operating results include, among others, (i) the Company s ability to retain existing customers, attract new customers at a steady rate and maintain customer satisfaction, (ii) the Company s ability to maintain gross margins in its existing business and in future product lines and markets, (iii) the development of new services and products by the Company and its competitors, (iv) price competition, (v) the level of use of the Internet and online services and increasing acceptance of the Internet and other online services for the purchase of products such as those offered by the Company, (vi) the Company s ability to upgrade and develop its systems and infrastructure, (vii) the Company s ability to attract new personnel in a timely and effective manner, (viii) the level of traffic on the Company s website, (ix) the Company s ability to manage effectively its development of new business segments and markets, (x) the Company s ability to successfully manage the integration of operations and technology of acquisitions or other business combinations, (xi) technical difficulties, system downtime or Internet brownouts, (xii) the amount and timing of operating costs and capital expenditures relating to expansion of the Company s business, operations and infrastructure, (xiii) governmental regulation and taxation

policies, (xiv) disruptions in service by common carriers due to strikes or otherwise, (xv) risks of fire or other casualty, (xvi) litigation costs or other unanticipated expenses, (xvii) interest rate risks and inflationary pressures, and (xviii) general economic conditions and economic conditions specific to the Internet and online commerce.

Due to the foregoing factors and the Company s limited forecasting abilities, the Company believes that period-to-period comparisons of its revenues and operating results are not necessarily meaningful and should not be relied on as an indication of future performance.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q may contain forward-looking statements, including statements regarding future prospects, industry trends, competitive conditions and litigation issues. Any statements contained herein that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. Without limiting the foregoing, the words believes, expects, anticipates, plans or words of similar meaning a intended to identify forward-looking statements. This notice is intended to take advantage of the safe harbor provided by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 with respect to such forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Among others, factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the Company s beliefs or expectations are those listed under Results of Operations and other factors referenced herein or from time to time as risk factors or otherwise in the Company s Registration Statements or Securities and Exchange Commission reports.

Item 4T. Controls and Procedures

The Company s management, with the participation of the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of the Company s disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of such period, the Company s disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

There have not been any changes in the Company s internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) during our most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 6. Exhibits

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SIGNATURES

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

 $\begin{array}{c} CREDITRISKMONITOR.COM, INC.\\ (REGISTRANT) \end{array}$

Date: November 14, 2008 By: /s/ Lawrence Fensterstock

Lawrence Fensterstock Chief Financial Officer

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