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(Mark One)

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 transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number 1-9853

EMC CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

04-2680009
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

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176 South Street

Hopkinton, Massachusetts

(Address of principal executive offices)

01748

(Zip Code)

(508) 435-1000

(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 (§232.405 of this chapter) 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 the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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 of common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of the registrant outstanding as of September 30, 2011 was 2,039,957,250.

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FACTORS THAT MAY AFFECT FUTURE RESULTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements, within the meaning of the Federal securities laws, about our business and prospects. The forward-looking statements do not include the potential impact of any mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, securities offerings or business combinations that may be announced or closed after the date hereof. 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, plans, intends, expects, goals and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these words. Our future results may differ materially from our past results and from those projected in the forward-looking statements due to various uncertainties and risks, including those described in Item 1A of Part II (Risk Factors). The forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Quarterly Report and undue reliance should not be placed on these statements. We disclaim any obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained herein after the date of this Quarterly Report.

Table of Contents**PART I****FINANCIAL INFORMATION****Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****EMC CORPORATION****CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS****(in thousands, except per share amounts)**

	September 30, 2011 (unaudited)	December 31, 2010
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,125,610	\$ 4,119,138
Short-term investments	1,635,533	1,256,175
Accounts and notes receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$60,264 and \$57,385	2,650,392	2,569,523
Inventories	1,104,143	856,405
Deferred income taxes	642,716	609,832
Other current assets	789,329	372,249
Total current assets	9,947,723	9,783,322
Long-term investments	4,499,373	4,170,742
Property, plant and equipment, net	2,756,003	2,528,432
Intangible assets, net	1,851,967	1,624,267
Goodwill	12,153,651	11,772,650
Other assets, net	1,221,954	953,871
Total assets	\$ 32,430,671	\$ 30,833,284
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,007,805	\$ 1,062,600
Accrued expenses	2,357,448	2,090,035
Income taxes payable		199,735
Convertible debt	3,280,957	3,214,771
Deferred revenue	3,325,466	2,810,873
Total current liabilities	9,971,676	9,378,014
Income taxes payable	243,206	265,549
Deferred revenue	2,398,596	1,853,263
Deferred income taxes	624,183	717,004
Other liabilities	242,967	217,449
Total liabilities	13,480,628	12,431,279
Convertible debt (See Note 4)	144,862	235,229
Commitments and contingencies (See Note 14)		
Shareholders' equity:		

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Preferred stock, par value \$0.01; authorized 25,000 shares; none outstanding		
Common stock, par value \$0.01; authorized 6,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 2,039,957 and 2,069,246 shares	20,400	20,692
Additional paid-in capital	2,818,523	3,816,681
Retained earnings	15,288,575	13,659,284
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net	(220,302)	(92,617)
Total EMC Corporation's shareholders' equity	17,907,196	17,404,040
Non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.	897,985	762,736
Total shareholders' equity	18,805,181	18,166,776
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 32,430,671	\$ 30,833,284

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**EMC CORPORATION****CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS****(in thousands, except per share amounts)****(unaudited)**

	For the		For the	
	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Revenues:				
Product sales	\$ 3,074,367	\$ 2,675,925	\$ 9,049,610	\$ 7,707,958
Services	1,905,834	1,536,346	5,383,547	4,418,502
	4,980,201	4,212,271	14,433,157	12,126,460
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of product sales	1,269,323	1,194,297	3,917,028	3,513,961
Cost of services	644,613	531,000	1,870,526	1,547,807
Research and development	548,021	483,264	1,589,020	1,395,922
Selling, general and administrative	1,612,914	1,343,325	4,684,534	3,888,260
Restructuring and acquisition-related charges	20,302	12,561	68,411	40,902
Operating income	885,028	647,824	2,303,638	1,739,608
Non-operating income (expense):				
Investment income	32,293	40,563	106,506	104,198
Interest expense	(44,322)	(44,827)	(135,777)	(132,539)
Other expense, net	(59,799)	(5,823)	(72,616)	(12,714)
Total non-operating expense	(71,828)	(10,087)	(101,887)	(41,055)
Income before provision for income taxes	813,200	637,737	2,201,751	1,698,553
Income tax provision	171,086	148,663	465,456	381,292
Net income	642,114	489,074	1,736,295	1,317,261
Less: Net income attributable to the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.	(36,465)	(16,558)	(107,004)	(45,825)
Net income attributable to EMC Corporation	\$ 605,649	\$ 472,516	\$ 1,629,291	\$ 1,271,436
Net income per weighted average share, basic attributable to EMC Corporation common shareholders	\$ 0.29	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.62
Net income per weighted average share, diluted attributable to EMC Corporation common shareholders	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.72	\$ 0.59
Weighted average shares, basic	2,054,007	2,055,876	2,060,242	2,053,026
Weighted average shares, diluted	2,207,099	2,146,753	2,244,508	2,132,948

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	For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	September 30,
	2011	2010
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from customers	\$ 15,434,151	\$ 12,733,156
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(11,577,038)	(9,567,360)
Dividends and interest received	77,706	92,834
Interest paid	(54,683)	(41,621)
Income taxes paid	(395,539)	(180,403)
Net cash provided by operating activities	3,484,597	3,036,606
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(601,177)	(541,866)
Capitalized software development costs	(342,091)	(272,492)
Purchases of short- and long-term available-for-sale securities	(5,589,382)	(5,091,454)
Sales of short- and long-term available-for-sale securities	3,945,683	2,362,878
Maturities of short- and long-term available-for-sale securities	877,510	261,631
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(536,624)	(851,380)
Increase in strategic and other related investments	(459,711)	(5,642)
Purchase of leasehold interest	(151,083)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,856,875)	(4,138,325)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Issuance of EMC's common stock from the exercise of stock options	501,627	552,846
Issuance of VMware's common stock from the exercise of stock options	285,286	355,846
EMC repurchase of EMC's common stock	(1,899,208)	(800,267)
EMC purchase of VMware's common stock	(342,201)	(289,587)
VMware repurchase of VMware's common stock	(490,916)	(285,940)
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	318,717	210,711
Payment of long-term and short-term obligations	(1,263)	(3,755)
Proceeds from long-term and short-term obligations	1,253	1,116
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,626,705)	(259,030)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	5,455	(1,158)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(993,528)	(1,361,907)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	4,119,138	6,302,499
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 3,125,610	\$ 4,940,592
Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 1,736,295	\$ 1,317,261

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Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:

Depreciation and amortization	1,048,151	862,964
Non-cash interest expense on convertible debt	76,398	78,731
Non-cash restructuring and other special charges	(2,325)	3,114
Stock-based compensation expense	613,233	484,141
Provision for doubtful accounts	8,525	18,599
Deferred income taxes, net	83,657	(41,355)
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	(318,717)	(210,711)
Other, net	(28,740)	(9,192)
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:		
Accounts and notes receivable	(56,076)	(14,380)
Inventories	(416,898)	(55,862)
Other assets	(157,024)	(127,401)
Accounts payable	(75,263)	(71,839)
Accrued expenses	51,747	(38,343)
Income taxes payable	(13,740)	242,244
Deferred revenue	1,048,545	602,477
Other liabilities	(113,171)	(3,842)
 Net cash provided by operating activities	 \$ 3,484,597	 \$ 3,036,606

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**EMC CORPORATION****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY**

(in thousands)

(unaudited)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2011:

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Non-controlling Interest in VMware	Shareholders Equity
	Shares	Par Value					
Balance, January 1, 2011	2,069,246	\$ 20,692	\$ 3,816,681	\$ 13,659,284	\$ (92,617)	\$ 762,736	\$ 18,166,776
Stock issued through stock option and stock purchase plans	39,010	391	501,236				501,627
Tax benefit from stock options exercised			358,688				358,688
Restricted stock grants, cancellations and withholdings, net	8,894	89	(110,247)				(110,158)
Repurchase of common stock	(77,193)	(772)	(1,898,436)				(1,899,208)
EMC purchase of VMware stock			(304,022)			(38,179)	(342,201)
Stock options issued in business acquisitions			3,224				3,224
Stock-based compensation			629,301				629,301
Impact from equity transactions of VMware, Inc.			(268,269)			70,203	(198,066)
Change in market value of investments					(40,665)	(3,779)	(44,444)
Change in market value of derivatives					(81,703)		(81,703)
Translation adjustment					(5,317)		(5,317)
Reclassification of convertible debt (to)/from mezzanine (Note 4)			90,367				90,367
Net income				1,629,291		107,004	1,736,295
Balance, September 30, 2011	2,039,957	\$ 20,400	\$ 2,818,523	\$ 15,288,575	\$ (220,302)	\$ 897,985	\$ 18,805,181

For the nine months ended September 30, 2010:

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Non-controlling Interest in VMware	Shareholders Equity
	Shares	Par Value					
Balance, January 1, 2010	2,052,441	\$ 20,524	\$ 3,875,791	\$ 11,759,289	\$ (105,722)	\$ 510,592	\$ 16,060,474
Stock issued through stock option and stock purchase plans	46,884	469	552,377				552,846
Tax benefit from stock options exercised			223,807				223,807
Restricted stock grants, cancellations and withholdings, net	4,861	49	(60,126)				(60,077)
Repurchase of common stock	(43,790)	(438)	(799,829)				(800,267)
EMC purchase of VMware stock			(255,638)			(33,949)	(289,587)

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Stock options issued in business acquisitions			1,841				1,841
Stock-based compensation			499,731				499,731
Impact from equity transactions of VMware, Inc.			(151,539)		177,977		26,438
Change in market value of investments				37,065	1,915		38,980
Change in market value of derivatives				(51,452)			(51,452)
Translation adjustment				(159)			(159)
Net income			1,271,436		45,825		1,317,261
Balance, September 30, 2010	2,060,396	\$ 20,604	\$ 3,886,415	\$ 13,030,725	\$ (120,268)	\$ 702,360	\$ 17,519,836

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Net income	\$ 642,114	\$ 489,074	\$ 1,736,295	\$ 1,317,261
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes (benefits):				
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(31,074)	30,292	(5,317)	(159)
Changes in market value of investments, including unrealized gains (losses) and reclassification adjustments to net income, net of taxes (benefits) of \$(16,256), \$15,481, \$(25,533) and \$22,785	(31,195)	26,734	(44,444)	38,980
Changes in market value of derivatives, net of taxes (benefits) of \$(41,494), \$(17,382), \$(51,952) and \$(29,559)	(64,748)	(31,034)	(81,703)	(51,452)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(127,017)	25,992	(131,464)	(12,631)
Comprehensive income	515,097	515,066	1,604,831	1,304,630
Less: Net income attributable to the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.	(36,465)	(16,558)	(107,004)	(45,825)
Less: Other comprehensive (income) loss attributable to the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.	312	(1,401)	3,779	(1,915)
Comprehensive income attributable to EMC Corporation	\$ 478,944	\$ 497,107	\$ 1,501,606	\$ 1,256,890

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Basis of Presentation

Company

EMC Corporation (EMC) and its subsidiaries develop, deliver and support the Information Technology (IT) industry s broadest range of information infrastructure and virtual infrastructure technologies, solutions and services.

EMC s Information Infrastructure business provides a foundation for organizations to store, manage, protect and secure their vast and ever-increasing quantities of information, improve business agility, lower cost of ownership and enhance their competitive advantage within traditional data centers, virtual data centers and cloud-based IT infrastructures. EMC s Information Infrastructure business comprises three segments Information Storage, RSA Information Security and Information Intelligence Group.

EMC s VMware Virtual Infrastructure business, which is represented by EMC s majority equity stake in VMware, Inc. (VMware), is the leading provider of virtualization and cloud infrastructure software solutions.

General

The accompanying interim consolidated financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for interim financial information. These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of EMC, its wholly owned subsidiaries and VMware, a company majority-owned by EMC. All intercompany transactions have been eliminated.

Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in our annual consolidated financial statements have been condensed or omitted. Accordingly, these interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2010 which are contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2011.

The results of operations for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected for any future period or the entire fiscal year. The interim consolidated financial statements, in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments necessary to fairly state the results as of and for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2011 and 2010.

Net Income Per Share

Basic net income per weighted average share has been computed using the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Diluted net income per weighted average share is computed using the weighted average number of common and dilutive common equivalent shares outstanding during the period. Common equivalent shares consist of stock options, restricted stock and restricted stock units, our \$1.701 billion 1.75% convertible senior notes due 2011 (the 2011 Notes), our \$1.724 billion 1.75% convertible senior notes due 2013 (the 2013 Notes and, together with the 2011 Notes, the Notes) and associated warrants. Additionally, for purposes of calculating diluted net income per weighted average share, net income is adjusted for the difference between VMware s reported diluted and basic net income per weighted average share, if any, multiplied by the number of shares of VMware held by EMC.

Reclassifications

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year s presentation.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued new guidance to achieve common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements between GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards. This new guidance amends current fair value measurement and disclosure guidance to include increased transparency around valuation inputs and investment categorization. This new guidance is effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011.

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In June 2011, the FASB issued new guidance on the presentation of comprehensive income. 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 under current accounting guidance. This new guidance is effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011.

In September 2011, the FASB issued new guidance intended to simplify goodwill impairment testing. Entities will be allowed to perform a qualitative assessment on goodwill impairment to determine whether a quantitative assessment is necessary. This new guidance is effective for goodwill impairment tests performed in interim and annual periods for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011, with early adoption permitted.

We do not believe the adoption of the new guidance above will have an impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

2. Non-controlling Interest in VMware, Inc.

The non-controlling interests' share of equity in VMware is reflected as Non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc. in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets and was \$898.0 million and \$702.4 million as of September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. At September 30, 2011, EMC held approximately 80% of the economic interest in VMware.

The effect of changes in our ownership interest in VMware on our equity was as follows (table in thousands):

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Net income attributable to EMC Corporation	\$ 1,629,291	\$ 1,271,436
Transfers (to) from the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.:		
Increase in EMC Corporation's additional paid-in-capital for VMware's equity issuances	102,612	123,970
Decrease in EMC Corporation's additional paid-in-capital for VMware's other equity activity	(370,881)	(275,509)
Net transfers to non-controlling interest	(268,269)	(151,539)
Change from net income attributable to EMC Corporation and transfers from the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.	\$ 1,361,022	\$ 1,119,897

3. Business Combinations, Intangibles and Goodwill

During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, we acquired all of the capital stock of NetWitness Corporation, a privately-held, market-leading provider of network security analysis solutions. This acquisition complements and expands our RSA Information Security segment. Additionally, during the nine months ended September 30, 2011, VMware acquired six companies. The aggregate consideration for these seven acquisitions was \$539.8 million which consisted of \$536.6 million of cash consideration, net of cash acquired and \$3.2 million for the fair value of our stock options granted in exchange for the acquirees' stock options. The consideration paid was allocated to the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on estimated fair values as of the respective acquisition dates. The allocation to goodwill, intangibles and net assets was approximately \$375.8 million, \$157.1 million and \$6.9 million, respectively. The intangible assets are being amortized based upon the pattern in which the economic benefits of the intangible assets are being utilized. The results of these acquisitions have been included in the consolidated financial statements from the date of purchase. Pro forma results of operations have not been presented as the results of the acquired companies were not material, individually or in the aggregate, to our consolidated results of operations for the three or nine months ended September 30, 2011 or 2010.

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Intangible assets, excluding goodwill, as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 consist of (tables in thousands):

	Gross Carrying Amount	September 30, 2011 Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value
Purchased technology	\$ 1,620,912	\$ (982,625)	\$ 638,287
Patents	224,865	(68,367)	156,498
Software licenses	88,993	(81,461)	7,532
Trademarks and tradenames	172,851	(88,916)	83,935
Customer relationships and customer lists	1,329,774	(560,646)	769,128
In-process research and development	43,900		43,900
Leasehold interest	151,083	(1,442)	149,641
Other	25,822	(22,776)	3,046
Total intangible assets, excluding goodwill	\$ 3,658,200	\$ (1,806,233)	\$ 1,851,967

In the quarter ended June 30, 2011, we, along with three other technology companies, acquired specific patents from Novell, Inc. The purchase price for the patent portfolio was \$450.0 million, of which we paid \$112.5 million. We assigned the patent portfolio an average life of 10 years, based on average contractual term remaining on the patents we acquired. The cash outflow was included in strategic and other related investments in the investing activities section of the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

In the quarter ended June 30, 2011, VMware closed an agreement to purchase all of the right, title and interest in a ground lease covering the property and improvements located on property adjacent to VMware's Palo Alto, California campus for \$225.0 million. Based upon the respective fair values and preliminary assumptions, \$51.9 million of the purchase price was recorded to property, plant and equipment, net on the June 30, 2011 Consolidated Balance Sheet, representing the estimated fair value of the buildings and site improvements. The remaining \$173.1 million of the purchase price was recorded to intangible assets, net on the June 30, 2011 Consolidated Balance Sheet, for the fair value of the ground lease and the right to develop additional square footage on the parcel.

In the three months ended September 30, 2011, the gross amount classified to property, plant and equipment, net was increased by \$22.0 million to \$73.9 million to reflect the final assumptions regarding VMware's intended use of the existing structures. As a result of this adjustment, the gross amount of the value attributed to the leasehold interest was decreased by the same amount. These adjustments are reflected on the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2011. Concurrent with the closing of the transaction, VMware entered into an amended and restated ground lease for the related property. The buildings and site improvements will be depreciated from the date they are placed into service through the term of the amended and restated ground lease, and intangible assets will amortize through 2046.

	Gross Carrying Amount	December 31, 2010 Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value
Purchased technology	\$ 1,509,616	\$ (873,095)	\$ 636,521
Patents	62,170	(62,134)	36
Software licenses	84,583	(72,115)	12,468
Trademarks and tradenames	171,651	(74,725)	96,926
Customer relationships and customer lists	1,275,908	(447,411)	828,497

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In-process research and development	43,900		43,900
Other	25,632	(19,713)	5,919
Total intangible assets, excluding goodwill	\$ 3,173,460	\$ (1,549,193)	\$ 1,624,267

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Changes in the carrying amount of goodwill, net, for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and the year ended December 31, 2010 consist of (tables in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011				Total
	Information Storage	Information Intelligence Group	RSA Information Security	VMware Virtual Infrastructure	
Balance, beginning of the period	\$ 7,029,341	\$ 1,467,903	\$ 1,663,213	\$ 1,612,193	\$ 11,772,650
Goodwill resulting from acquisitions			187,445	188,395	375,840
Tax deduction from exercise of stock options	(73)		(95)		(168)
Finalization of purchase price allocations	4,038		(1,982)	3,273	5,329
Balance, end of the period	\$ 7,033,306	\$ 1,467,903	\$ 1,848,581	\$ 1,803,861	\$ 12,153,651

	Year Ended December 31, 2010				Total
	Information Storage	Information Intelligence Group	RSA Information Security	VMware Virtual Infrastructure	
Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 5,045,086	\$ 1,476,520	\$ 1,529,408	\$ 1,159,362	\$ 9,210,376
Goodwill resulting from acquisitions	2,287,712		140,013	178,201	2,605,926
Tax deduction from exercise of stock options	(548)	(2,424)	(1,103)		(4,075)
Other adjustments	(275,405)			275,405	
Finalization of purchase price allocations	(27,504)	(6,193)	(5,105)	(775)	(39,577)
Balance, end of the year	\$ 7,029,341	\$ 1,467,903	\$ 1,663,213	\$ 1,612,193	\$ 11,772,650

Other adjustments to goodwill in the year ended December 31, 2010 include the transfer of the goodwill related to the Ionix information technology management business from the Information Storage segment to the VMware Virtual Infrastructure segment. The goodwill transfer related to the common control acquisition of certain software product technology and related capabilities of our Ionix business by VMware. See Note 15 for additional details.

4. Convertible Debt

In November 2006, we issued our Notes for total gross proceeds of \$3.45 billion. The Notes are senior unsecured obligations and rank equally with all other existing and future senior unsecured debt.

The 2011 Notes are currently convertible because we are within three months of their maturity. The holders of the 2013 Notes may convert their Notes at their option on any day prior to the close of business on the scheduled trading day immediately preceding September 1, 2013 only under the following circumstances: (1) during the five business-day period after any five consecutive trading-day period (the measurement period) in which the price per Note for each day of that measurement period was less than 98% of the product of the last reported sale price of our common stock and the conversion rate on each such day; (2) during any calendar quarter, if the last reported sale price of our common stock for 20 or more trading days in a period of 30 consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the immediately preceding calendar quarter exceeds 130% of the applicable conversion price in effect on the last trading day of the immediately preceding calendar quarter; or (3) upon the occurrence of certain events specified in the Notes. Additionally, the 2013 Notes will become convertible during the last three months prior to

their maturity.

Upon conversion, we will pay cash up to the principal amount of the debt converted. With respect to any conversion value in excess of the principal amount of the Notes converted, we have the option to settle the excess with cash, shares of our common stock, or a combination of cash and shares of our common stock based on a daily conversion value, determined in accordance with the indenture, calculated on a proportionate basis for each day of the relevant 20-day observation period. The initial conversion rate for the Notes will be 62.1978 shares of our common stock per one thousand dollars of principal amount of Notes, which represents a 27.5% conversion premium from the date the Notes were issued and is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$16.08

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per share of our common stock. The conversion price is subject to adjustment in some events as set forth in the indenture. In addition, if a fundamental change (as defined in the indenture) occurs prior to the maturity date, we will in some cases increase the conversion rate for a holder of Notes that elects to convert its Notes in connection with such fundamental change.

At December 31, 2010, the contingent conversion thresholds on the Notes were exceeded. As a result, the Notes became convertible at the option of the holder. Accordingly, since the terms of the Notes require the principal to be settled in cash, we reclassified from Shareholders Equity the portion of the Notes attributable to the conversion feature which had not yet been accreted to its face value, and the Notes were classified as a current liability.

At September 30, 2011, the 2011 Notes had less than three months to maturity and are therefore convertible at the option of the holder through November 30, 2011. In addition, based upon the closing price of our common stock for the prescribed measurement period during the three months ended September 30, 2011, the contingent conversion thresholds on the 2013 Notes were exceeded. As a result, the 2013 Notes are convertible at the option of the holder through December 31, 2011. We reclassified from Shareholders Equity the portion of the Notes attributable to the conversion feature which had not yet been accreted to its face value, and the Notes have been classified as a current liability. Contingencies continue to exist regarding the holders' ability to convert the 2013 Notes in future quarters. The determination of whether the 2013 Notes are convertible will be performed on a quarterly basis. Approximately \$24.2 million of the Notes have been converted as of September 30, 2011.

The carrying amount reported on the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2011 for our convertible debt was \$3,425.8 million and the fair value was \$4,707.6 million. The decrease in carrying amount during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was due to the conversion of shares. The carrying amount of the equity component was \$524.2 million at September 30, 2011.

The Notes pay interest in cash at a rate of 1.75% semi-annually in arrears on December 1 and June 1 of each year.

The following tables represent the key components of our interest expense on convertible debt (tables in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Contractual interest expense on the coupon	\$ 15,078	\$ 15,094
Amortization of the discount component recognized as interest expense	31,045	29,041
Total interest expense on the convertible debt	\$ 46,123	\$ 44,135

	For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Contractual interest expense on the coupon	\$ 45,266	\$ 45,282
Amortization of the discount component recognized as interest expense	90,367	85,128
Total interest expense on the convertible debt	\$ 135,633	\$ 130,410

As of September 30, 2011, the unamortized discount on the 2011 Notes consists of \$10.8 million which will be fully amortized by December 1, 2011, and the unamortized discount on the 2013 Notes consists of \$134.1 million, which will be fully amortized by December 1, 2013. The effective interest rate on the Notes was 5.6% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010.

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In connection with the sale of the Notes, we entered into separate convertible note hedge transactions with respect to our common stock (the Purchased Options). The Purchased Options allow us to receive shares of our common stock and/or cash related to the excess conversion value that we would pay to the holders of the Notes upon conversion. The Purchased Options will cover, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, approximately 215 million shares of our common stock. Half of the Purchased Options expire on December 1, 2011 and the remaining half of the Purchased Options expire on December 1, 2013. We paid an aggregate amount of \$669.1 million of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes for the Purchased Options that was recorded as additional paid-in-capital in Shareholders' Equity.

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We also entered into separate transactions in which we sold warrants to acquire, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, approximately 215 million shares of our common stock at an exercise price of approximately \$19.55 per share of our common stock. Half of the associated warrants have expiration dates between February 15, 2012 and March 15, 2012 and the remaining half of the associated warrants have expiration dates between February 18, 2014 and March 18, 2014. We received aggregate proceeds of \$391.1 million from the sale of the associated warrants. Upon exercise, the value of the warrants is required to be settled in shares.

The Purchased Options and associated warrants will generally have the effect of increasing the conversion price of the Notes to approximately \$19.55 per share of our common stock, representing an approximate 55% conversion premium based on the closing price of \$12.61 per share of our common stock on November 13, 2006, which was the issuance date of the Notes.

In 2010, we entered into interest rate swap contracts with an aggregate notional amount of approximately \$900 million. These swaps were designated as cash flow hedges of the forecasted issuance of debt in 2012 to replace the 2011 Notes. As such, the gain or loss on these hedges is recognized in other comprehensive loss until the underlying exposure is realized.

5. Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Our fixed income and equity investments are classified as available for sale and recorded at their fair market values. We determine fair value using the following hierarchy:

Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 Inputs other than Level 1 that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3 Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

Most of our fixed income securities are classified as Level 2 securities, with the exception of some of our U.S. government and agency obligations, which are classified as Level 1 securities, and all of our auction rate securities, which are classified as Level 3. At September 30, 2011, the vast majority of our Level 2 investments were priced by pricing vendors. These pricing vendors utilize the most recent observable market information in pricing these securities or, if specific prices are not available for these securities, use other observable inputs like market transactions involving identical or comparable securities. In the event observable inputs are not available, we assess other factors to determine the security's market value, including broker quotes or model valuations. Each month, we perform independent price verifications of all of our fixed income holdings. In the event a price fails a pre-established tolerance check, it is researched so that we can assess the cause of the variance to determine what we believe is the appropriate fair market value. Our publicly traded equity securities are classified as Level 1.

In general, investments with remaining effective maturities of 12 months or less from the balance sheet date are classified as short-term investments. Investments with remaining effective maturities of more than 12 months from the balance sheet date are classified as long-term investments. Our publicly traded equity securities are classified as long-term investments. As a result of the lack of liquidity for auction rate securities, we have classified these as long-term investments as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, all of our short- and long-term investments, excluding auction rate securities, were recognized at fair value, which was determined based upon observable inputs from our pricing vendors for identical or similar assets. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, auction rate securities were valued using a discounted cash flow model.

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The following tables summarize the composition of our short- and long-term investments at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 (tables in thousands):

	September 30, 2011			Aggregate Fair Value
	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized (Losses)	
U.S. government and agency obligations	\$ 2,294,101	\$ 14,889	\$ (2,268)	\$ 2,306,722
U.S. corporate debt securities	1,391,063	10,175	(3,595)	1,397,643
High yield corporate debt securities	448,200	4,549	(27,557)	425,192
Asset-backed securities	31,411	103	(11)	31,503
Municipal obligations	775,608	1,953	(479)	777,082
Auction rate securities	91,350		(10,259)	81,091
Foreign debt securities	1,048,249	7,391	(2,600)	1,053,040
Total fixed income securities	6,079,982	39,060	(46,769)	6,072,273
Publicly traded equity securities	58,205	4,428		62,633
Total	\$ 6,138,187	\$ 43,488	\$ (46,769)	\$ 6,134,906

We held approximately \$1.1 billion in foreign debt securities at September 30, 2011. These securities have an average credit rating of AA-, and approximately 6% of these securities are deemed sovereign debt with an average credit rating of AA. None of the securities deemed sovereign debt are from Greece, Italy, Ireland, Portugal or Spain. Additionally, we have an immaterial amount of exposure to French agencies and financial institutions.

	December 31, 2010			Aggregate Fair Value
	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized (Losses)	
U.S. government and agency obligations	\$ 1,737,782	\$ 11,286	\$ (2,674)	\$ 1,746,394
U.S. corporate debt securities	1,239,325	13,608	(1,307)	1,251,626
High yield corporate debt securities	421,469	18,306	(1,943)	437,832
Asset-backed securities	34,730	152	(1)	34,881
Municipal obligations	1,095,338	3,829	(3,266)	1,095,901
Auction rate securities	155,950		(9,906)	146,044
Foreign debt securities	653,251	6,878	(714)	659,415
Total fixed income securities	5,337,845	54,059	(19,811)	5,372,093
Publicly traded equity securities	22,376	32,448		54,824
Total	\$ 5,360,221	\$ 86,507	\$ (19,811)	\$ 5,426,917

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The following table represents our fair value hierarchy for our financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value as of September 30, 2011 (in thousands):

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash	\$ 1,186,959	\$	\$	\$ 1,186,959
Cash equivalents	1,838,607	100,044		1,938,651
U.S. government and agency obligations	1,277,304	1,029,418		2,306,722
U.S. corporate debt securities		1,397,643		1,397,643
High yield corporate debt securities		425,192		425,192
Asset-backed securities		31,503		31,503
Municipal obligations		777,082		777,082
Auction rate securities			81,091	81,091
Foreign debt securities		1,053,040		1,053,040
Publicly traded equity securities	62,633			62,633
Total cash and investments	\$ 4,365,503	\$ 4,813,922	\$ 81,091	\$ 9,260,516

Other items:

Foreign exchange derivative assets	\$	\$ 60,341	\$	\$ 60,341
Foreign exchange derivative liabilities		(58,617)		(58,617)
Commodity derivative liabilities		(708)		(708)
Interest rate swap contracts		(145,934)		(145,934)

In 2010, EMC entered into interest rate swap contracts with an aggregate notional amount of approximately \$900 million. These swaps were designated as cash flow hedges for the forecasted issuance of debt in 2012 to replace the 2011 Notes. As such, the gain or loss on these hedges is recognized in other comprehensive loss until the underlying exposure is realized. As of September 30, 2011, the interest rate swaps have unrealized losses of \$145.9 million primarily due to the change in interest rates since the contracts inception.

Our auction rate securities are predominantly rated AAA and are primarily collateralized by student loans. The underlying loans of all but two of our auction rate securities, with a market value of \$18.4 million, have partial guarantees by the U.S. government as part of the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP) through the U.S. Department of Education. FFELP guarantees at least 95% of the loans which collateralize the auction rate securities. The two securities whose underlying loans are not guaranteed by the U.S. government have credit enhancements and are insured by third party agencies. We believe the quality of the collateral underlying all of our auction rate securities will enable us to recover our principal balance in full.

To determine the estimated fair value of our investment in auction rate securities, we used a discounted cash flow model. The assumptions used in preparing the discounted cash flow model include an incremental discount rate for the lack of liquidity in the market (liquidity discount margin) for an estimated period of time. The discount rate we selected was based on AA-rated banks as the majority of our portfolio is invested in student loans where EMC acts as a financier to these lenders. The liquidity discount margin represents an estimate of the additional return an investor would require for the lack of liquidity of these securities over an estimated five-year holding period. The rate used for the discount margin was 2% at September 30, 2011 compared to 1% at December 31, 2010 due to the widening of credit spreads on AA-rated banks during 2011.

The following table provides a summary of changes in fair value of our Level 3 financial assets for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 (table in thousands):

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	Three Months Ended September 30, 2011	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011
Balance, beginning of the period	\$ 99,154	\$ 146,044
Calls at par value	(13,100)	(64,600)
Decrease in previously recognized unrealized losses included in other comprehensive income	(4,963)	(353)
Balance, end of the period	\$ 81,091	\$ 81,091

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Unrealized losses on investments at September 30, 2011 by investment category and length of time the investment has been in a continuous unrealized loss position are as follows (table in thousands):

	Less Than 12 Months		12 Months or Greater		Total	
	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses
U.S. government and agency obligations	\$ 747,809	\$ (2,122)	\$ 6,491	\$ (146)	\$ 754,300	\$ (2,268)
U.S. corporate debt securities	549,667	(3,595)			549,667	(3,595)
High yield corporate debt securities	306,934	(27,557)			306,934	(27,557)
Asset-backed securities	7,047	(10)	5	(1)	7,052	(11)
Municipal obligations	304,076	(472)	8,147	(7)	312,223	(479)
Auction rate securities			81,091	(10,259)	81,091	(10,259)
Foreign debt securities	326,419	(2,600)			326,419	(2,600)
Total	\$ 2,241,952	\$ (36,356)	\$ 95,734	\$ (10,413)	\$ 2,337,686	\$ (46,769)

As of September 30, 2011, there were no publicly traded equity securities in a continuous unrealized loss position. For all of our securities for which the amortized cost basis was greater than the fair value at September 30, 2011, we have concluded that currently we neither plan to sell the security nor is it more likely than not that we would be required to sell the security before its anticipated recovery. In making the determination as to whether the unrealized loss is other-than-temporary, we considered the length of time and extent the investment has been in an unrealized loss position, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuers, the issuers' credit rating, third party guarantees and the time to maturity.

During the three months ended June 30, 2011, a realized gain of \$56.0 million was recorded in other expense, net on the Consolidated Income Statements for the sale of VMware's investment in Terremark Worldwide, Inc.

Contractual Maturities

The contractual maturities of fixed income securities held at September 30, 2011 are as follows (table in thousands):

	September 30, 2011	
	Amortized Cost Basis	Aggregate Fair Value
Due within one year	\$ 1,602,305	\$ 1,604,979
Due after 1 year through 5 years	3,661,373	3,678,241
Due after 5 years through 10 years	356,779	346,741
Due after 10 years	459,525	442,312
Total	\$ 6,079,982	\$ 6,072,273

Short-term investments on the Consolidated Balance Sheet include \$30.6 million of variable rate demand notes, which have contractual maturities ranging from 2013 through 2045, and are not classified within investments due within one year above.

6. Inventories

Inventories consist of (table in thousands):

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
Work-in-process	\$ 555,343	\$ 508,426
Finished goods	548,800	347,979
	\$ 1,104,143	\$ 856,405

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Our accounts and notes receivable are recorded at cost. The portion of our notes receivable due in one year or less are included in accounts and notes receivable and the long-term portion is included in other assets, net. Lease receivables arise from sales-type leases of products. We typically sell, without recourse, the contractual right to the lease payment stream and assets under lease to third parties. For certain customers, we retain the lease.

The contractual amounts due under the leases we retained as of September 30, 2011 were as follows (table in thousands):

Year	Contractual Amounts Due Under Leases
Due within one year	\$ 106,198
Due within two years	90,288
Due within three years	74,466
Thereafter	2,302
Total	273,254
Less amounts representing interest	(6,362)
Present value	266,892
Current portion (included in accounts and notes receivable)	94,111
Long-term portion (included in other assets, net)	\$ 172,781

Subsequent to September 30, 2011, we sold \$12.2 million of these notes to third parties without recourse.

We maintain an allowance for credit losses on our accounts and notes receivable. The allowance is based on the credit worthiness of our customers, including an assessment of the customer's financial position, operating performance and their ability to meet their contractual obligation. We assess the credit scores for our customers each quarter. In addition, we consider our historical experience, the age of the receivable and current market and economic conditions. Uncollectible amounts are charged against the allowance account.

In the event we determine that a lease may not be paid, we include in our allowance an amount for the outstanding balance related to the lease receivable. As of September 30, 2011, amounts from lease receivables past due for more than 90 days were not significant.

The following table presents the activity of our allowance for credit losses related to lease receivables for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (table in thousands):

	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Balance, beginning of the period	\$ 44,661	\$ 40,200
Recoveries	(27,539)	(20,991)
Provisions	10,066	22,084
Balance, end of the period	\$ 27,188	\$ 41,293

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Gross lease receivables totaled \$273.3 million and \$221.4 million as of September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, before the allowance. The components of these balances were individually evaluated for impairment.

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Property, plant and equipment consist of (table in thousands):

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 166,214	\$ 156,644
Equipment	4,618,877	4,112,000
Buildings and improvements	1,728,750	1,617,154
Land	117,500	115,899
Building construction in progress	50,138	70,114
	6,681,479	6,071,811
Accumulated depreciation	(3,925,476)	(3,543,379)
	\$ 2,756,003	\$ 2,528,432

Building construction in progress at September 30, 2011 includes \$65.8 million for facilities not yet placed in service that we are holding for future use.

9. Joint Ventures*VCE Company LLC*

In 2009, Cisco and EMC formed VCE Company LLC (VCE). VMware and Intel are also investors in VCE. VCE, through Vblock infrastructure platforms, delivers an integrated IT offering that combines network, computing, storage, management, security and virtualization technologies for converged infrastructures and cloud based computing models. As of September 30, 2011, we have contributed \$242.9 million in funding and \$10.0 million in stock-based compensation to VCE since inception and own approximately 58% of VCE s outstanding equity. In October 2011, EMC contributed an additional \$94.7 million to VCE.

We consider VCE a variable interest entity. Authoritative guidance related to variable interest entities states that the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity must have both of the following characteristics: (a) the power to direct the activities of a variable interest entity that most significantly will impact the entity s economic performance; and (b) the obligation to absorb losses that could be potentially significant to the variable interest entity or the right to receive benefits from the entity that could potentially be significant to the variable interest entity. Since the power to direct the activities of VCE which most significantly impact its economic performance are determined by its board of directors, which is comprised of equal representation of EMC and Cisco, and all significant decisions require the approval of the minority shareholders, we have determined we are not the primary beneficiary, and as such we account for the investment under the equity method.

Our portion of VCE s gains and losses is recognized in other expense, net, in the Consolidated Income Statements. As of September 30, 2011, we have recorded net accumulated losses from VCE of \$182.5 million since inception, of which \$50.2 million and \$138.7 million were recorded in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively.

We perform certain administrative services, pursuant to an administrative services agreement, on behalf of VCE and we pay certain operating expenses on behalf of VCE. Accordingly, we have a receivable from VCE related to the administrative services agreement of \$67.2 million as of September 30, 2011, which is included in other current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

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Accrued expenses consist of (table in thousands):

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
Salaries and benefits	\$ 863,668	\$ 884,243
Product warranties	248,975	236,131
Restructuring, current	50,569	61,933
Derivatives	205,259	36,879
Other	988,977	870,849
	\$ 2,357,448	\$ 2,090,035

Product Warranties

Systems sales include a standard product warranty. At the time of the sale, we accrue for systems warranty costs. The initial systems warranty accrual is based upon our historical experience, expected future costs and specific identification of systems requirements. Upon sale or expiration of the initial warranty, we may sell additional maintenance contracts to our customers. Revenue from these additional maintenance contracts is included in deferred revenue and recognized ratably over the service period. The following represents the activity in our warranty accrual for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 (table in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Balance, beginning of the period	\$ 248,395	\$ 249,090	\$ 236,131	\$ 271,594
Provision	42,535	28,155	130,775	86,897
Amounts charged to the accrual	(41,955)	(37,726)	(117,931)	(118,972)
Balance, end of the period	\$ 248,975	\$ 239,519	\$ 248,975	\$ 239,519

The provision includes amounts accrued for systems at the time of shipment, adjustments for changes in estimated costs for warranties on systems shipped in the period and changes in estimated costs for warranties on systems shipped in prior periods. It is not practicable to determine the amounts applicable to each of the components.

11. Income Taxes

Our effective income tax rates were 21.0% and 21.1% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. Our effective income tax rates were 23.3% and 22.4% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively. The effective income tax rate is based upon the estimated income for the year, the composition of the income in different countries, and adjustments, if any, in the applicable quarterly periods for the potential tax consequences, benefits or resolutions of tax audits or other tax contingencies. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, the effective tax rate varied from the statutory tax rate principally as a result of the mix of income attributable to foreign versus domestic jurisdictions. Our aggregate income tax rate in foreign jurisdictions is lower than our income tax rate in the United States; substantially all of our income before provision for income taxes from foreign operations has been earned by our Irish

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subsidiaries. We do not believe that any recent or currently expected developments in non-U.S. tax jurisdictions are reasonably likely to have a material impact on our effective rate.

Our effective income tax rate decreased in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 from the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 due primarily to an increase in benefit from favorable discrete tax items and the reenactment of the U.S. federal research and development (R&D) tax credit which occurred during the fourth quarter of 2010, partially offset by a reduction of the mix of income attributable to foreign versus domestic jurisdictions and non-deductible permanent differences.

We have concluded all U.S. federal income tax matters for years through 2008. We also have income tax audits in process in numerous state, local and international jurisdictions. Based on the timing and outcome of examinations of EMC, the result of the

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expiration of statutes of limitations for specific jurisdictions or the timing and result of ruling requests from taxing authorities, it is reasonably possible that the related unrecognized tax benefits could change from those recorded in our statement of financial position. We anticipate that several of these audits may be finalized within the next 12 months. Based on the status of these examinations, and the protocol of finalizing such audits, it is not possible to estimate the impact of the amount of such changes, if any, to our previously recorded uncertain tax positions.

At December 31, 2010, we reasonably anticipated that up to \$41.4 million of individually-insignificant unrecognized tax positions may be recognized within one year. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, net reductions in uncertain tax positions of \$17.1 million were recognized for the resolution of the U.S. federal tax audit for tax years 2007 and 2008.

12. Stockholders Equity

The reconciliation from basic to diluted earnings per share for both the numerators and denominators is as follows (table in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
Numerator:				
Net income attributable to EMC Corporation	\$ 605,649	\$ 472,516	\$ 1,629,291	\$ 1,271,436
Incremental dilution from VMware	(3,233)	(2,365)	(11,178)	(6,302)
Net income dilution attributable to EMC Corporation	\$ 602,416	\$ 470,151	\$ 1,618,113	\$ 1,265,134
Denominator:				
Weighted average shares, basic	2,054,007	2,055,876	2,060,242	2,053,026
Weighted common stock equivalents	46,629	48,764	55,418	48,639
Assumed conversion of the Notes and associated warrants	106,463	42,113	128,848	31,283
Weighted average shares, diluted	2,207,099	2,146,753	2,244,508	2,132,948

Due to the cash settlement feature of the principal amount of the Notes, we only include the impact of the premium feature in our diluted earnings per share calculation when the Notes are convertible due to maturity or when the average stock price exceeds the conversion price of the Notes.

Concurrent with the issuance of the Notes, we also entered into separate transactions in which we sold warrants to acquire, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments, approximately 215 million shares of our common stock at an exercise price of approximately \$19.55 per share of our common stock. We also include the impact of the sold warrants in our diluted earnings per share calculation when the average stock price exceeds the exercise price.

Restricted stock units and options to acquire shares of our common stock in the amount of 17.6 million and 15.4 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, and 57.1 million and 64.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively, were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because they were antidilutive. The incremental dilution from VMware represents the impact of VMware's dilutive securities on EMC's consolidated diluted net income per share and is calculated by multiplying the difference between VMware's basic and diluted earnings per share by the number of VMware shares owned by EMC.

Repurchases of Common Stock

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We utilize both authorized and unissued shares (including repurchased shares) for all issuances under our equity plans. In 2008, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of 250.0 million shares of our common stock. Of the 250.0 million shares authorized for repurchase, we have repurchased 191.2 million shares at a total cost of \$3.6 billion, leaving a remaining balance of 58.8 million shares authorized for future repurchases. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, we spent \$1,899.2 million to repurchase 77.2 million shares of our common stock. We plan to spend up to \$2.0 billion in 2011 on common stock repurchases.

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Accumulated other comprehensive loss, which is presented net of tax, consists of the following (table in thousands):

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ (12,300)	\$ (6,983)
Unrealized losses on temporarily impaired investments, net of tax benefits of \$(16,732) and \$(7,278)	(30,037)	(12,533)
Unrealized gains on investments, net of taxes of \$16,605 and \$32,684	26,883	53,823
Unrealized losses on derivatives, net of tax benefits of \$(55,355) and \$(3,403)	(87,637)	(5,934)
Recognition of actuarial net loss from pension and other postretirement plans, net of tax benefits of \$(70,388) and \$(70,388)	(117,058)	(117,058)
	(220,149)	(88,685)
Less: accumulated other comprehensive income attributable to the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.	(153)	(3,932)
	\$ (220,302)	\$ (92,617)

13. Restructuring and Acquisition-Related Charges

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, we incurred restructuring and acquisition-related charges of \$20.3 million and \$68.4 million, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred restructuring and acquisition-related charges of \$12.6 million and \$40.9 million, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, we incurred \$16.9 million and \$58.1 million, respectively, of restructuring charges, primarily related to our current year restructuring programs and \$3.4 million and \$10.3 million, respectively, of charges in connection with acquisitions for financial advisory, legal and accounting services. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred \$9.7 million and \$35.4 million, respectively, of restructuring charges, primarily related to our 2008 restructuring program and \$2.9 million and \$5.5 million, respectively, of charges in connection with acquisitions for financial advisory, legal and accounting services.

In the third, second and first quarters of 2011, we implemented separate restructuring programs to create further operational efficiencies which will result in a workforce reduction of 208, 205 and 33 positions, respectively. The actions will impact positions around the globe covering our Information Storage, RSA Information Security and Information Intelligence Group segments. All of these actions are expected to be completed by the end of 2011. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, we recognized \$1.9 million and \$24.3 million, respectively, of lease termination costs for facilities vacated in the period in accordance with our plan as part of all of our restructuring programs. These costs are expected to be utilized by the end of 2015.

The activity for the restructuring programs is presented below (tables in thousands):

Three Months Ended September 30, 2011

2011 Programs Category	September 30, Balance as of June 30,	September 30, 2011 Charges	September 30, Utilization	September 30, Balance as of September 30,
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	2011			2011			
Workforce reductions	\$	14,967	\$	14,734	\$ (6,703)	\$	22,998
Consolidation of excess facilities		324		528			852
Total	\$	15,291	\$	15,262	\$ (6,703)	\$	23,850

Other Programs Category	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,				
	Balance as of June 30, 2011	2011 Charges	Utilization	Balance as of September 30, 2011				
Workforce reductions	\$	21,595	\$	243	\$	(7,029)	\$	14,809
Consolidation of excess facilities and other contractual obligations		35,062		1,376		(4,123)		32,315
Total	\$	56,657	\$	1,619	\$	(11,152)	\$	47,124

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	September 30,0	September 30,0	September 30,0	September 30,0
2011 Programs	Balance as of December 31, 2010	2011 Charges	Utilization	Balance as of September 30, 2011
Category				
Workforce reductions	\$	\$ 34,160	\$ (11,162)	\$ 22,998
Consolidation of excess facilities		1,212	(360)	852
Total	\$	\$ 35,372	\$ (11,522)	\$ 23,850

	September 30,0	September 30,0	September 30,0	September 30,0
Other Programs	Balance as of December 31, 2010	2011 Charges	Utilization	Balance as of September 30, 2011
Category				
Workforce reductions	\$ 53,946	\$ (408)	\$ (38,729)	\$ 14,809
Consolidation of excess facilities and other contractual obligations	27,818	23,114	(18,617)	32,315
Total	\$ 81,764	\$ 22,706	\$ (57,346)	\$ 47,124

Three Months Ended September 30, 2010

	00000000000 Balance as of June 30, 2010	00000000000 2010 Charges	00000000000 Utilization	00000000000 Balance as of September 30, 2010
Category				
Workforce reductions	\$ 36,676	\$ 5,286	\$ (14,806)	\$ 27,156
Consolidation of excess facilities and other contractual obligations	33,652	4,407	(7,218)	30,841
Total	\$ 70,328	\$ 9,693	\$ (22,024)	\$ 57,997

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010

	September 30,0 Balance as of December 31, 2009	September 30,0 2010 Charges	September 30,0 Utilization	September 30,0 Balance as of September 30, 2010
Category				

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Workforce reductions	\$ 87,238	\$ 6,008	\$ (66,090)	\$ 27,156
Consolidation of excess facilities and other contractual obligations	18,522	29,377	(17,058)	30,841
Total	\$ 105,760	\$ 35,385	\$ (83,148)	\$ 57,997

14. Commitments and Contingencies

Line of Credit

We have available for use a credit line of \$50.0 million in the United States. As of September 30, 2011, we had no borrowings outstanding on the line of credit. The credit line bears interest at the bank's base rate and requires us, upon utilization of the credit line, to meet certain financial covenants with respect to limitations on losses. In the event the covenants are not met, the lender may require us to provide collateral to secure the outstanding balance. At September 30, 2011, we were in compliance with the covenants.

RSA Special Charge

In March 2011, RSA was the target of a sophisticated cyber attack which resulted in information related to RSA's SecurID products being compromised. In the first quarter of 2011, we incurred and accrued costs associated with investigating the attack, hardening our systems and working with our customers to implement remediation programs. In the second quarter of 2011, we recorded a \$66.3 million charge in cost of sales related to the expansion of the customer remediation programs. We expanded our customer remediation programs in June 2011 to respond to heightened customer concerns resulting from press coverage relating to an unsuccessful cyber attack on one of our defense sector customers, as well as broad media coverage of cyber attacks on other

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high profile organizations. At September 30, 2011, we had a remaining reserve of \$59.0 million included in accrued liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. We considered whether additional losses might result from the pending remediation efforts beyond our existing accrual and concluded that no additional material losses related to the remediation efforts are reasonably possible. We expect that the remediation efforts will be substantially completed by the end of the second quarter of 2012.

Litigation

We are involved in a variety of claims, demands, suits, investigations, and proceedings, including those identified below, that arise from time to time relating to matters incidental to the ordinary course of our business, including actions with respect to contracts, intellectual property, product liability, employment, benefits and securities matters. As required by authoritative guidance, we have estimated the amount of probable losses that may result from all currently pending matters, and such amounts are reflected in our consolidated financial statements. These recorded amounts are not material to our consolidated financial position or results of operations and no additional material losses related to these pending matters are reasonably possible. While it is not possible to predict the outcome of these matters with certainty, we do not expect the results of any of these actions to have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition. Because litigation is inherently unpredictable, however, the actual amounts of loss may prove to be larger or smaller than the amounts reflected in our consolidated financial statements, and we could incur judgments or enter into settlements of claims that could adversely affect our operating results or cash flows in a particular period.

We have received three derivative demand letters sent on behalf of purported EMC shareholders. The letters refer to a now-settled civil action in which EMC was named as a defendant and in which the United States (acting through the Civil Division of the Department of Justice (DoJ)) intervened. The civil action involved allegations concerning EMC's compliance with the terms and conditions of certain agreements pursuant to which we sold products and services to the federal government and EMC's fee arrangements with partners and systems integrators in federal government transactions. EMC reached a settlement of all claims asserted in this action effective as of May 4, 2010, without any admission of liability or wrongdoing. The derivative demand letters contend that the existence of the civil action serves as evidence that certain EMC officers and directors failed to exercise due care and/or failed to oversee compliance with certain federal laws.

The matters relating to the demand letters were referred to a Special Committee of independent directors of the Board of Directors, which investigated and made a determination regarding such allegations. At the conclusion of their investigation, the Special Committee determined in good faith that commencing or maintaining derivative proceedings based on the allegations would not be in the best interests of EMC. In October 2009, one of the purported shareholders filed a complaint in the Superior Court for Middlesex County in Massachusetts alleging claims for breach of fiduciary duty against EMC directors and certain officers based on the same allegations set forth in the demand letter. In May 2010, another purported shareholder filed a complaint in the same court making virtually identical allegations. In September 2011, the court entered a judgment of dismissal with prejudice as to both pending actions.

15. Segment Information

We manage our business in two broad categories: EMC Information Infrastructure and VMware Virtual Infrastructure. EMC Information Infrastructure operates in three segments: Information Storage, Information Intelligence Group and RSA Information Security, while VMware Virtual Infrastructure operates in a single segment. Our management measures are designed to assess performance of these operating segments excluding certain items. As a result, the corporate reconciling items are used to capture the items excluded from the segment operating performance measures, including stock-based compensation expense and acquisition-related intangible asset amortization expense. Additionally, in certain instances, restructuring and acquisition-related charges, transition costs and infrequently occurring gains or losses are also excluded from the measures used by management in assessing segment performance. The VMware Virtual Infrastructure amounts represent the revenues and expenses of VMware as reflected within EMC's consolidated financial statements. R&D expenses, selling, general and administrative, and other income associated with the EMC Information Infrastructure business are not allocated to the segments within the EMC Information Infrastructure business, as they are managed centrally at the corporate level. For the three segments within the EMC Information Infrastructure business, gross profit is the segment operating performance measure.

In April 2010, VMware acquired certain software product technology and expertise from the EMC Information Infrastructure segment's Ionix information technology management business for cash consideration of \$175.0 million. EMC retained the Ionix

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brand and will continue to offer customers the products acquired by VMware, pursuant to the ongoing reseller agreement between EMC and VMware. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, \$1.9 million and \$14.4 million, respectively, of contingent amounts were paid to EMC in accordance with the asset purchase agreement. These payments were recorded by VMware as a reduction to the capital contribution from EMC. As of September 30, 2011, all contingent payments under the agreement had been made. The acquisition of the Ionix net assets and related capabilities was accounted for as a business combination between entities under common control. We did not revise our segment presentation for prior periods, as the historical impact of the acquired business was not material to the VMware Virtual Infrastructure segment.

Our segment information for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 is as follows (tables in thousands, except percentages):

	EMC Information Infrastructure				VMware Virtual Infrastructure within EMC	Corp Reconciling Items	Consolidated
	Information Storage	Information Intelligence Group	RSA Information Security	EMC Information Infrastructure			
Three Months Ended:							
September 30, 2011							
Revenues:							
Product revenues	\$ 2,462,722	\$ 53,056	\$ 115,685	\$ 2,631,463	\$ 442,904	\$	\$ 3,074,367
Services revenues	1,190,340	118,398	99,215	1,407,953	497,881		1,905,834
Total consolidated revenues	3,653,062	171,454	214,900	4,039,416	940,785		4,980,201
Cost of sales	1,580,155	63,008	69,664	1,712,827	130,683	70,426	1,913,936
Gross profit	\$ 2,072,907	\$ 108,446	\$ 145,236	2,326,589	810,102	(70,426)	3,066,265
Gross profit percentage	56.7%	63.3%	67.6%	57.6%	86.1%		61.6%
Research and development				316,380	148,576	83,065	548,021
Selling, general and administrative				1,099,329	368,187	145,398	1,612,914
Restructuring and acquisition-related charges						20,302	20,302
Total costs and expenses				1,415,709	516,763	248,765	2,181,237
Operating income				910,880	293,339	(319,191)	885,028
Other income (expense), net				(43,223)	197	(28,802)	(71,828)
Income before provision for income taxes				867,657	293,536	(347,993)	813,200
Income tax provision				237,936	22,949	(89,799)	171,086
Net income				629,721	270,587	(258,194)	642,114
Net income attributable to the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.					(54,622)	18,157	(36,465)

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Net income attributable to EMC
Corporation

\$ 629,721 \$ 215,965 \$ (240,037) \$ 605,649

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	EMC Information Infrastructure				VMware Virtual Infrastructure within EMC	Corp Reconciling Items	Consolidated
	Information Storage	Information Intelligence Group	RSA Information Security	EMC Information Infrastructure			
Three Months Ended:							
September 30, 2010							
Revenues:							
Product revenues	\$ 2,172,875	\$ 59,078	\$ 102,442	\$ 2,334,395	\$ 341,530	\$	\$ 2,675,925
Services revenues	966,414	116,713	83,290	1,166,417	369,929		1,536,346
Total consolidated revenues	3,139,289	175,791	185,732	3,500,812	711,459		4,212,271
Cost of sales	1,434,431	66,495	54,968	1,555,894	108,654	60,749	1,725,297
Gross profit	\$ 1,704,858	\$ 109,296	\$ 130,764	1,944,918	602,805	(60,749)	2,486,974
Gross profit percentage	54.3%	62.2%	70.4%	55.6%	84.7%		59.0%
Research and development				279,404	129,924	73,936	483,264
Selling, general and administrative				936,316	288,682	118,327	1,343,325
Restructuring and acquisition-related charges						12,561	12,561
Total costs and expenses				1,215,720	418,606	204,824	1,839,150
Operating income				729,198	184,199	(265,573)	647,824
Other income (expense), net				14,865	2,013	(26,965)	(10,087)
Income before provision for income taxes				744,063	186,212	(292,538)	637,737
Income tax provision				201,643	25,192	(78,172)	148,663
Net income				542,420	161,020	(214,366)	489,074
Net income attributable to the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.					(31,475)	14,917	(16,558)
Net income attributable to EMC Corporation				\$ 542,420	\$ 129,545	\$ (199,449)	\$ 472,516

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	EMC Information Infrastructure				VMware Virtual Infrastructure within EMC	Corp Reconciling Items	Consolidated
	Information Storage	Information Intelligence Group	RSA Information Security	EMC Information Infrastructure			
<u>Nine Months Ended:</u>							
<u>September 30, 2011</u>							
Revenues:							
Product revenues	\$ 7,275,194	\$ 142,655	\$ 305,138	\$ 7,722,987	\$ 1,326,623	\$	\$ 9,049,610
Services revenues	3,367,229	358,456	280,150	4,005,835	1,377,712		5,383,547
Total consolidated revenues	10,642,423	501,111	585,288	11,728,822	2,704,335		14,433,157
Cost of sales	4,722,584	187,306	277,817	5,187,707	390,438	209,409	5,787,554
Gross profit	\$ 5,919,839	\$ 313,805	\$ 307,471	6,541,115	2,313,897	(209,409)	8,645,603
Gross profit percentage	55.6%	62.6%	52.5%	55.8%	85.6%		59.9%
Research and development				932,581	412,575	243,864	1,589,020
Selling, general and administrative				3,179,639	1,057,615	447,280	4,684,534
Restructuring and acquisition-related charges						68,411	68,411
Total costs and expenses				4,112,220	1,470,190	759,555	6,341,965
Operating income				2,428,895	843,707	(968,964)	2,303,638
Other income (expense), net				(76,169)	4,466	(30,184)	(101,887)
Income before provision for income taxes				2,352,726	848,173	(999,148)	2,201,751
Income tax provision				620,453	103,711	(258,708)	465,456
Net income				1,732,273	744,462	(740,440)	1,736,295
Net income attributable to the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.					(151,612)	44,608	(107,004)
Net income attributable to EMC Corporation				\$ 1,732,273	\$ 592,850	\$ (695,832)	\$ 1,629,291

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	EMC Information Infrastructure				VMware Virtual Infrastructure within EMC	Corp Reconciling Items	Consolidated
	Information Storage	Information Intelligence Group	RSA Information Security	EMC Information Infrastructure			
Nine Months Ended:							
September 30, 2010							
Revenues:							
Product revenues	\$ 6,267,044	\$ 185,069	\$ 279,132	\$ 6,731,245	\$ 976,713	\$	\$ 7,707,958
Services revenues	2,790,262	347,320	241,404	3,378,986	1,039,516		4,418,502
Total consolidated revenues	9,057,306	532,389	520,536	10,110,231	2,016,229		12,126,460
Cost of sales	4,222,546	191,825	160,748	4,575,119	306,673	179,976	5,061,768
Gross profit	\$ 4,834,760	\$ 340,564	\$ 359,788	5,535,112	1,709,556	(179,976)	7,064,692
Gross profit percentage	53.4%	64.0%	69.1%	54.7%	84.8%		58.3%
Research and development				834,854	352,138	208,930	1,395,922
Selling, general and administrative				2,717,978	811,551	358,731	3,888,260
Restructuring and acquisition-related charges						40,902	40,902
Total costs and expenses				3,552,832	1,163,689	608,563	5,325,084
Operating income				1,982,280	545,867	(788,539)	1,739,608
Other income (expense), net				46,712	(8,130)	(79,637)	(41,055)
Income before provision for income taxes				2,028,992	537,737	(868,176)	1,698,553
Income tax provision				515,849	95,887	(230,444)	381,292
Net income				1,513,143	441,850	(637,732)	1,317,261
Net income attributable to the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.					(85,372)	39,547	(45,825)
Net income attributable to EMC Corporation				\$ 1,513,143	\$ 356,478	\$ (598,185)	\$ 1,271,436

Our revenues are attributed to the geographic areas according to the location of the customers. Revenues by geographic area are included in the following table (table in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010
United States	\$ 2,674,626	\$ 2,292,790	\$ 7,552,800	\$ 6,558,393
Europe, Middle East and Africa	1,355,474	1,178,927	4,149,828	3,504,869

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Asia Pacific and Japan	695,443	508,504	1,944,808	1,413,684
Latin America, Mexico and Canada	254,658	232,050	785,721	649,514
Total	\$ 4,980,201	\$ 4,212,271	\$ 14,433,157	\$ 12,126,460

No country other than the United States accounted for 10% or more of revenues during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 or 2010.

Long-lived assets, excluding financial instruments, deferred tax assets, goodwill and intangible assets, in the United States were \$3,393.1 million at September 30, 2011 and \$2,936.8 million at December 31, 2010. Internationally, long-lived assets, excluding financial instruments and deferred tax assets, were \$584.9 million at September 30, 2011 and \$600.3 million at December 31, 2010. No country other than the United States accounted for 10% or more of total long-lived assets, excluding financial instruments and deferred tax assets, at September 30, 2011 or December 31, 2010.

Table of Contents**Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

This Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of Financial Condition and Results of Operations should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto which appear elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. The following discussion contains forward-looking statements and should also be read in conjunction with the risk factors set forth in Item 1A of Part II. The forward-looking statements do not include the potential impact of any mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, securities offerings or business combinations that may be announced or closed after the date hereof.

All dollar amounts expressed numerically in this MD&A are in millions.

Certain tables may not add due to rounding.

INTRODUCTION

We manage our business in two broad categories: EMC Information Infrastructure and VMware Virtual Infrastructure.

EMC Information Infrastructure

Our EMC Information Infrastructure business consists of three segments: Information Storage, Information Intelligence Group and RSA Information Security. The objective for our EMC Information Infrastructure business is to simultaneously increase our market share, invest in the business and improve our financial returns. During 2011, we will continue to innovate and invest in expanding our total addressable market opportunity through internal research and development (R&D) efforts and acquisitions to capitalize on the continued growth of enterprise data. Because of these investments and our focus on providing customers with the technology to transform their Information Technology (IT) infrastructures and applications, we believe we are well-positioned in the largest IT transformation in history which is creating enormous opportunities in Cloud Computing and Big Data. Cloud Computing leverages an on-demand, self-managed, virtualized infrastructure to deliver IT-as-a-Service in a more efficient, flexible and cost-effective manner. While the fundamental transition to Cloud Computing architectures is still gaining traction, customers recognize that their ability to compete is increasingly tied to the efficiency and agility of their IT operations and that transitioning to cloud architectures to increase their efficiencies and make them more flexible and agile will be a key component to their success. We believe our offerings are well-suited to capitalize on this trend as it unfolds over the next several years. Big Data, which is a primary contributor to the pace of overall data growth, refers to the large repositories of corporate and external data, including unstructured information created by new applications (e.g. medical, entertainment, energy and geophysical), social media and other web repositories. With the investments we made in 2010 by acquiring Isilon and Greenplum, as well as our internally developed Atmos offering, we believe we are well-positioned in this market to continue assisting our customers in unlocking the value contained within this information. To help customers in transitioning to Cloud Computing and benefitting from Big Data, we are leveraging our own services organization, as well as our channel and services partners and service providers. Additionally, momentum continues to build at VCE Company LLC, our joint venture with Cisco and other investors VMware and Intel, which offers the Vblock converged infrastructure product for building out cloud data centers.

Our focus on Cloud Computing and Big Data combined with our portfolio of differentiated solutions within these secular trends, our disciplined operational execution and control and deepening of our relationships with partners continue to drive our success. As a result, we continue to believe we will grow faster than the markets we serve and increase our 2011 earnings at a rate faster than the rate at which we will grow our revenue, as well as reinforce our position as the provider of choice for enterprise data, cloud infrastructure and Big Data solutions in the next year and beyond.

VMware Virtual Infrastructure

VMware's financial focus is on long-term revenue growth to generate cash flows to fund its expansion of industry segment share and evolve its virtualization-based products for data centers, desktop computers and cloud computing through a combination of internal development and acquisitions. VMware expects to grow its business by broadening its virtualization infrastructure software solutions technology and product portfolio, increasing product awareness, promoting the adoption of virtualization and building long-term relationships with its customers through the adoption of enterprise license agreements (ELAs). Since the introduction in 2009 of VMware vSphere and VMware View 4, VMware has introduced more products that build on the vSphere foundation including in the third quarter of 2011, VMware vSphere 5 and a comprehensive suite of cloud infrastructure technologies, as well as VMware View 5. VMware plans to continue to introduce additional products in the future. Additionally, VMware has made, and expects to continue to make, acquisitions designed to strengthen its product offerings and/or extend its strategy to deliver solutions that can be hosted at customer data centers or at service providers.

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strong global demand for vSphere. For both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, VMware observed an increase in the volume of ELAs as compared with the respective periods in 2010 due to growing customer interest as well as strong renewals from existing ELA customers.

The Information Intelligence Group segment's product revenues declined 10.2% and 22.9% to \$53.1 and \$142.7 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. The decrease in product revenues was primarily attributable to changing

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	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010	% Change
United States	\$ 7,552.8	\$ 6,558.4	15.2%
Europe, Middle East and Africa	4,149.8	3,504.9	18.4
Asia Pacific and Japan	1,944.8	1,413.7	37.6
Latin America, Mexico and Canada	785.7	649.5	21.0
Total revenues	\$ 14,433.2	\$ 12,126.5	19.0%

Revenues increased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods in 2010 in all of our markets due to greater demand for our products and services offerings.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND
RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - (Continued)**

	For the Nine Months Ended		\$ Change	% Change
	September 30, 2011	September 30, 2010		
Cost of revenue:				
Information Storage	\$ 4,722.6	\$ 4,222.5	\$ 500.1	11.8%
Information Intelligence Group	187.3	191.8	(4.5)	(2.3)
RSA Information Security	277.8	160.7	117.1	72.9
VMware Virtual Infrastructure	390.4	306.7	83.7	27.3
Corporate reconciling items	209.4	180.0	29.4	16.3
Total cost of revenue	5,787.6	5,061.8	725.8	14.3
Gross margins:				
Information Storage	5,919.8	4,834.8	1,085.0	22.4
Information Intelligence Group	313.8	340.6	(26.8)	(7.9)
RSA Information Security	307.5	359.8	(52.3)	(14.5)
VMware Virtual Infrastructure	2,313.9	1,709.6	604.3	35.3
Corporate reconciling items	(209.4)	(180.0)	(29.4)	16.3
Total gross margin	8,645.6	7,064.7	1,580.9	22.4
Operating expenses:				
Research and development (3)	1,589.0	1,395.9	193.1	13.8
Selling, general and administrative (4)	4,684.5	3,888.3	796.2	20.5
Restructuring and acquisition-related charges	68.4	40.9	27.5	67.2
Total operating expenses	6,342.0	5,325.1	1,016.9	19.1
Operating income	2,303.6	1,739.6	564.0	32.4
Investment income, interest expense and other expenses	(101.9)	(41.1)	(60.8)	147.9
Income before income taxes	2,201.8	1,698.6	503.2	29.6
Income tax provision	465.5	381.3	84.2	22.1
Net income	1,736.3	1,317.3	419.0	31.8
Less: Net income attributable to the non-controlling interest in VMware, Inc.	(107.0)	(45.8)	(61.2)	133.6
Net income attributable to EMC Corporation	\$ 1,629.3	\$ 1,271.4	\$ 357.9	28.2%

- (1) Amount includes corporate reconciling items of \$83.1 and \$73.9 for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.
(2) Amount includes corporate reconciling items of \$145.4 and \$118.3 for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.
(3) Amount includes corporate reconciling items of \$243.9 and \$208.9 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.
(4) Amount includes corporate reconciling items of \$447.3 and \$358.7 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Gross Margins

Overall our gross margin percentages were 61.6% and 59.0% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The increase in the gross margin percentage in the third quarter of 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was attributable to the VMware Virtual Infrastructure segment, which increased overall gross margins by 152 basis points, the Information Storage segment, which increased overall gross margins by 126 basis points, and the Information Intelligence Group segment, which increased overall gross margins by 4 basis points,

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partially offset by the RSA Information Security segment, which decreased overall gross margins by 7 basis points. The increase in corporate reconciling items, consisting of stock-based compensation, acquisition-related intangible asset amortization, restructuring and acquisition-related charges and transition costs, decreased the consolidated gross margin percentage by 22 basis points. Transition costs represent the incremental costs incurred to streamline our current cost structure.

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Our gross margin percentages were 59.9% and 58.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The increase in the gross margin percentage for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was attributable to the VMware Virtual Infrastructure segment, which increased overall gross margins by 150 basis points, and the Information Storage segment, which increased overall gross margins by 112 basis points, partially offset by the RSA Information Security segment, which decreased overall gross margins by 69 basis points, and the Information Intelligence Group segment, which decreased overall gross margins by 6 basis points. Additionally, the increase in corporate reconciling items decreased the consolidated gross margin percentage by 22 basis points.

For segment reporting purposes, stock-based compensation, restructuring and acquisition-related charges, acquisition-related intangible asset amortization and transition costs are recognized as corporate expenses and are not allocated among our various operating segments. The increase of \$9.7 in the corporate reconciling items for the three months ended September 30, 2011, when compared to the same period in 2010, was attributable to a \$0.8 increase in stock-based compensation expense, a \$8.7 increase in acquisition-related intangible asset amortization expense and a \$0.2 increase in transition costs. The increase of \$29.4 in the corporate reconciling items for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, when compared to the same period in 2010, was attributable to a \$12.2 increase in stock-based compensation expense and a \$17.9 increase in intangible asset amortization expense, partially offset by a \$0.7 decrease in transition costs.

The gross margin percentages for the Information Storage segment were 56.7% and 54.3% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 55.6% and 53.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The increase in gross margin percentage for both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same periods in 2010 was primarily attributable to improved product gross margins, driven by a shift in product mix towards higher margin products, higher sales volume and an improved cost structure. The increase in gross margin percentage for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was also due to improvements in service gross margins.

The gross margin percentages for the VMware Virtual Infrastructure segment were 86.1% and 84.7% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 85.6% and 84.8% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The increase in gross margin percentage for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was primarily attributable to improvements in license gross margins resulting from decreased software capitalization amortization expense.

The gross margin percentages for the Information Intelligence Group segment were 63.3% and 62.2% for three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 62.6% and 64.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The increase in gross margin percentage for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was attributable to an increase in both product margins and service margins. The decrease in gross margin percentage for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was attributable to an increase in the mix of service revenue as a percentage of total revenue, slightly offset by an increase in service gross margins.

The gross margin percentages for the RSA Information Security segment were 67.6% and 70.4% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 52.5% and 69.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The decrease in gross margin percentage for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was due to a decrease in service margins. The decrease in gross margin percentage for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 was due to a decrease in product margins. The decrease in product margins was caused by costs accrued associated with working with our customers to implement remediation programs in the first quarter of 2011 and to the \$66.3 charge related to the expansion of the customer remediation programs that we recorded in the second quarter of 2011. In June 2011, we expanded our customer remediation programs as a result of the heightened customer concerns resulting from press coverage related to an unsuccessful cyber attack on one of our defense sector customers, as well as broad media coverage of cyber attacks on other high profile organizations.

Research and Development

As a percentage of revenues, R&D expenses were 11.0% and 11.5% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 11.0% and 11.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. R&D expenses increased \$64.8 and \$193.1 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2010 primarily due to an increase in personnel-related costs, which are expenses driven by incremental headcount from

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strategic hiring and business acquisitions, depreciation expense and travel costs, partially offset by greater levels of software capitalization. Personnel-related costs increased by \$76.8 and \$224.9, depreciation expense increased by \$3.6 and \$10.7 and travel costs increased by \$2.9 and \$8.0 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. Partially offsetting these increased costs was an increase in capitalized software development costs of \$26.3 and \$74.5, which reduce R&D expense, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively.

Corporate reconciling items within R&D, which consist of stock-based compensation, intangible asset amortization and transition costs, increased \$9.1 and \$35.0 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2010. Stock-based compensation expense increased \$9.7 and \$40.4, intangible asset amortization decreased \$2.0 and \$4.8 and transition costs increased \$1.4 and decreased \$0.7 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2010. The increase in stock-based compensation expense was primarily due to the Isilon acquisition, which was consummated in the fourth quarter of 2010.

R&D expenses within EMC's Information Infrastructure business, as a percentage of EMC's Information Infrastructure business revenues, were 7.8% and 8.0% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 8.0% and 8.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. R&D expenses increased \$37.0 and \$97.7 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, primarily due to increases in personnel-related costs, which are expenses driven by incremental headcount from strategic hiring and business acquisitions, depreciation expense and travel costs. Personnel-related costs increased by \$37.0 and \$105.1, depreciation expense increased by \$4.8 and \$13.3 and travel costs increased by \$1.6 and \$5.4 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. Partially offsetting these increased costs was an increase in capitalized software development costs of \$12.2 and \$45.3, which reduce R&D expense, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. The increase in capitalized software development costs is primarily due to the timing of products reaching technological feasibility.

R&D expenses within the VMware Virtual Infrastructure business, as a percentage of VMware's revenues, were 15.8% and 18.3% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 15.3% and 17.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. VMware's R&D expenses as a percentage of revenues decreased year over year due to significant revenue growth which outpaced increases in personnel-related expenses. R&D expenses increased \$18.7 and \$60.4 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2010 largely due to increases in personnel-related costs of \$28.7 and \$80.1 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, which are driven by increased personnel-related costs resulting from strategic hiring and acquisitions. Additionally, capitalized software development costs increased \$14.1 and \$29.2 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2010 primarily due to the timing of products reaching technological feasibility. This increase was partially offset by reductions as VMware ceased capitalization on other products due to their general release.

Selling, General and Administrative

As a percentage of revenues, selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses were 32.4% and 31.9% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 32.5% and 32.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. SG&A expenses increased by \$269.6 and \$796.3 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2010 primarily due to increases in personnel-related costs, which are expenses driven by incremental headcount from strategic hiring and business acquisitions, travel costs and commissions. Personnel-related costs increased by \$194.2 and \$576.1, travel costs increased by \$16.0 and \$57.8 and commissions increased by \$14.7 and \$43.2 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively.

Corporate reconciling items within SG&A, which consist of stock-based compensation, intangible asset amortization and transition costs, increased \$27.1 and \$88.5 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2010. Stock-based compensation expense increased \$17.9 and \$69.9, intangible asset amortization increased \$8.5 and \$27.6 and transition costs increased \$0.7 and decreased \$9.0 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively. The increase in stock-based compensation expense was primarily due to the Isilon acquisition, which was consummated in the fourth quarter of 2010.

SG&A expenses within EMC's Information Infrastructure business, as a percentage of EMC's Information Infrastructure business revenues, were 27.2% and 26.7% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 27.1%

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and 26.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. SG&A expenses increased \$163.0 and \$461.7 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2010 primarily due to increases in personnel-related costs, which are expenses driven by incremental headcount from strategic hiring and business acquisitions, travel costs and commissions. Personnel-related costs increased by \$109.4 and \$330.9, travel costs increased by \$12.6 and \$43.9 and commissions increased by \$8.8 and \$22.1 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively.

SG&A expenses within the VMware Virtual Infrastructure business, as a percentage of VMware's revenues, were 39.1% and 40.6% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and were 39.1% and 40.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. SG&A expenses increased \$79.5 and \$246.1 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2010 primarily due to growth in personnel-related expenses driven by incremental headcount.

Restructuring and Acquisition-Related Charges

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, we incurred restructuring and acquisition-related charges of \$20.3 and \$68.4, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred restructuring and acquisition-related charges of \$12.6 and \$40.9, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, we incurred \$16.9 and \$58.1, respectively, of restructuring charges, primarily related to our current year restructuring programs and \$3.4 and \$10.3, respectively, of charges in connection with acquisitions for financial advisory, legal and accounting services. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, we incurred \$9.7 and \$35.4, respectively, of restructuring charges, primarily related to our 2008 restructuring program and \$2.9 and \$5.5, respectively, of charges in connection with acquisitions for financial advisory, legal and accounting services.

Investment Income

Investment income was \$32.3 and \$106.5 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, and was \$40.6 and \$104.2 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively. Investment income decreased for the three months ended September 30, 2011 when compared to the same period in 2010 primarily due to a decrease in realized gains on investments, though for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 when compared to the same period in 2010, realized gains were slightly higher. Net realized gains were \$3.5 and \$16.5 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, and were \$7.6 and \$10.4 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively.

Interest Expense

Interest expense was \$44.3 and \$44.8 for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and was \$135.8 and \$132.5 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Interest expense consists primarily of interest on the convertible senior debt of our \$1,701 1.75% convertible senior notes due 2011 and our \$1,724 1.75% convertible senior notes due 2013. Included in interest expense are non-cash interest charges related to amortization of the debt discount attributable to the conversion feature of \$27.5 and \$26.6 for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and \$81.8 and \$78.7 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, as we are accreting the Notes to their stated values over their term. See Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Other Expense, Net

Other expense, net was \$59.8 and \$5.8 for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and was \$72.6 and \$12.7 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Other expense in 2011 primarily consists of our consolidated share of the losses from our converged infrastructure joint venture, VCE Company LLC, partially offset by the non-recurring gain on the sale of VMware's investment in Terremark Worldwide, Inc. in the second quarter of 2011 of \$56.0. Our consolidated share of the losses from VCE was \$50.2 and \$138.7 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, respectively, and \$11.7 and \$18.1 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively. This joint venture is accounted for under the equity method.

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cash received from customers was attributable to an increase in sales volume and higher cash proceeds from the sale of maintenance contracts, which are typically billed and paid in advance of services being rendered. Cash

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Free cash flow represents a non-GAAP measure related to operating cash flows. In contrast, our GAAP measure of cash flow consists of three components. These are cash flows provided by operating activities of \$3,484.6 and \$3,036.6 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, cash used in investing activities of \$2,856.9 and \$4,138.3 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively, and net cash used in financing activities of \$1,626.7 and \$259.0 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

All of the foregoing non-GAAP financial measures have limitations. Specifically, the non-GAAP financial measures that exclude the items noted above do not include all items of income and expense that affect EMC's operations or cash flows. Further, these non-GAAP financial measures are not prepared in accordance with GAAP, may not be comparable to non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies and do not reflect any benefit that such items may confer on EMC. Management compensates for these limitations by also considering EMC's financial results as determined in accordance with GAAP.

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Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

For quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk affecting us, see Item 7A Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 28, 2011. Our exposure to market risks has not changed materially from that set forth in our Annual Report.

Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. Our management, with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)), as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based on such evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that as of such date, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II

OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are involved in a variety of claims, demands, suits, investigations, and proceedings, including those identified below, that arise from time to time relating to matters incidental to the ordinary course of our business, including actions with respect to contracts, intellectual property, product liability, employment, benefits and securities matters. As required by authoritative guidance, we have estimated the amount of probable losses that may result from all currently pending matters, and such amounts are reflected in our consolidated financial statements. These recorded amounts are not material to our consolidated financial position or results of operations and no additional material losses related to these pending matters are reasonably possible. While it is not possible to predict the outcome of these matters with certainty, we do not expect the results of any of these actions to have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition. Because litigation is inherently unpredictable, however, the actual amounts of loss may prove to be larger or smaller than the amounts reflected in our consolidated financial statements, and we could incur judgments or enter into settlements of claims that could adversely affect our operating results or cash flows in a particular period.

We have received three derivative demand letters sent on behalf of purported EMC shareholders. The letters refer to a now-settled civil action in which EMC was named as a defendant and in which the United States (acting through the Civil Division of the Department of Justice (DoJ)) intervened. The civil action involved allegations concerning EMC's compliance with the terms and conditions of certain agreements pursuant to which we sold products and services to the federal government and EMC's fee arrangements with partners and systems integrators in federal government transactions. EMC reached a settlement of all claims asserted in this action effective as of May 4, 2010, without any admission of liability or wrongdoing. The derivative demand letters contend that the existence of the civil action serves as evidence that certain EMC officers and directors failed to exercise due care and/or failed to oversee compliance with certain federal laws.

The matters relating to the demand letters were referred to a Special Committee of independent directors of the Board of Directors, which investigated and made a determination regarding such allegations. At the conclusion of their investigation, the Special Committee determined in good faith that commencing or maintaining derivative proceedings based on the allegations would not be in the best interests of EMC. In October 2009, one of the purported shareholders filed a complaint in the Superior Court for Middlesex County in Massachusetts alleging claims for breach of fiduciary duty against EMC directors and certain officers based on the same allegations set forth in the demand letter. In May 2010, another purported shareholder filed a complaint in the same court making virtually identical allegations. In September 2011, the court entered a judgment of dismissal with prejudice as to both pending actions.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

The risk factors that appear below could materially affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. This description includes any material changes to and supersedes the description of the risk factors associated with our business previously disclosed in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only risks and uncertainties facing us. Our business is also subject to general risks and uncertainties that affect many other companies.

Our business could be materially adversely affected as a result of general economic and market conditions.

We are subject to the effects of general global economic and market conditions. If these conditions remain challenging or deteriorate, our business, results of operations or financial condition could be materially adversely affected. Possible consequences from uncertainty or further deterioration due to the recent global macroeconomic downturn on our business, including insolvency of key suppliers resulting in product delays, inability of customers to obtain credit to finance purchases of our products, customer insolvencies, increased risk that customers may delay payments, fail to pay or default on credit extended to them, and counterparty failures negatively impacting our treasury operations, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial condition.

Our business could be materially adversely affected as a result of a lessening demand in the information technology market.

Our revenue and profitability depend on the overall demand for our products and services. Delays or reductions in IT spending, domestically or internationally, could materially adversely affect demand for our products and services which could result in decreased revenues or earnings.

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Our customers operate in a variety of markets. Any adverse effects to such markets could materially adversely affect demand for our products and services which could result in decreased revenues or earnings.

Competitive pricing, sales volume, mix and component costs could materially adversely affect our revenues, gross margins and earnings.

Our gross margins are impacted by a variety of factors, including competitive pricing, component and product design costs as well as the volume and relative mixture of product and services revenues. Increased component costs, increased pricing pressures, the relative and varying rates of increases or decreases in component costs and product price, changes in product and services revenue mixture or decreased volume could have a material adverse effect on our revenues, gross margins or earnings.

The costs of third-party components comprise a significant portion of our product costs. While we generally have been able to manage our component and product design costs, we may have difficulty managing such costs if supplies of certain components become limited or component prices increase. Any such limitation could result in an increase in our component costs. An increase in component or design costs relative to our product prices could have a material adverse effect on our gross margins and earnings. Moreover, certain competitors may have advantages due to vertical integration of their supply chain, which may include disk drives, microprocessors, memory components and servers.

The markets in which we do business are highly competitive, and we may encounter aggressive price competition for all of our products and services from numerous companies globally. There also has been and may continue to be a willingness on the part of certain competitors to reduce prices or provide information infrastructure and virtual infrastructure products or services, together with other IT products or services, at minimal or no additional cost in order to preserve or gain market share. Such price competition may result in pressure on our product and service prices, and reductions in product and service prices may have a material adverse effect on our revenues, gross margins and earnings.

If our suppliers are not able to meet our requirements, we could have decreased revenues and earnings.

We purchase or license many sophisticated components and products from one or a limited number of qualified suppliers, including some of our competitors. These components and products include disk drives, high density memory components, power supplies and software developed and maintained by third parties. We have experienced delivery delays from time to time because of high industry demand or the inability of some vendors to consistently meet our quality or delivery requirements. Current or future social and environmental regulations or critical issues, such as those relating to the sourcing of conflict minerals from the Democratic Republic of the Congo or the need to eliminate environmentally sensitive materials from our products, could restrict the supply of resources used in production or increase our costs. If any of our suppliers were to cancel or materially change contracts or commitments with us or fail to meet the quality or delivery requirements needed to satisfy customer orders for our products, we could lose time-sensitive customer orders, be unable to develop or sell certain products cost-effectively or on a timely basis, if at all, and have significantly decreased quarterly revenues and earnings, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. Additionally, we periodically transition our product line to incorporate new technologies. The importance of transitioning our customers smoothly to new technologies, along with our historically uneven pattern of quarterly sales, intensifies the risk that the failure of a supplier to meet our quality or delivery requirements will have a material adverse impact on our revenues and earnings. An economic crisis may also negatively affect our suppliers' solvency, which could, in turn, result in product delays or otherwise materially adversely affect our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Our financial performance may be impacted by the financial performance of VMware.

Because we consolidate VMware's financial results in our results of operations, our financial performance will be impacted by the financial performance of VMware. VMware's financial performance may be affected by a number of factors, including, but not limited to:

general economic conditions in their domestic and international markets and the effect that these conditions have on VMware's customers' capital budgets and the availability of funding for software purchases;

fluctuations in demand, adoption rates, sales cycles and pricing levels for VMware's products and services;

fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates;

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changes in customers' budgets for information technology purchases and in the timing of their purchasing decisions;

VMware's ability to compete with existing or increased competition;

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the timing of recognizing revenues in any given quarter, which, as a result of software revenue recognition policies, can be affected by a number of factors, including product announcements, beta programs and product promotions that can cause revenue recognition of certain orders to be deferred until future products to which customers are entitled become available;

the sale of VMware's products in the timeframes anticipated, including the number and size of orders in each quarter;

VMware's ability to develop, introduce and ship in a timely manner new products and product enhancements that meet customer demand, certification requirements and technical requirements;

the introduction of new pricing and packaging models for VMware's product offerings;

the timing of the announcement or release of upgrades or new products by VMware or by its competitors;

VMware's ability to maintain scalable internal systems for reporting, order processing, license fulfillment, product delivery, purchasing, billing and general accounting, among other functions;

VMware's ability to control costs, including its operating expenses;

changes to VMware's effective tax rate;

the increasing scale of VMware's business and its effect on VMware's ability to maintain historical rates of growth;

VMware's ability to attract and retain highly skilled employees, particularly those with relevant experience in software development and sales;

VMware's ability to conform to emerging industry standards and to technological developments by its competitors and customers;

renewal rates for enterprise license agreements, or ELAs, as original ELA terms expire;

the timing and amount of software development costs that are capitalized beginning when technological feasibility has been established and ending when the product is available for general release;

unplanned events that could affect market perception of the quality or cost-effectiveness of VMware's products and solutions; and

the recoverability of benefits from goodwill and intangible assets and the potential impairment of these assets.

Our stock price is volatile and may be affected by the trading price of VMware Class A common stock and/or speculation about the possibility of future actions we might take in connection with our VMware stock ownership.

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Our stock price, like that of other technology companies, is subject to significant volatility because of factors such as:

the announcement of acquisitions, new products, services or technological innovations by us or our competitors;

quarterly variations in our operating results;

changes in revenue or earnings estimates by the investment community; and

speculation in the press or investment community.

The trading price of our common stock has been and likely will continue to be affected by various factors related to VMware, including:

the trading price for VMware Class A common stock;

actions taken or statements made by us, VMware, or others concerning the potential separation of VMware from us, including by spin-off, split-off or sale; and

factors impacting the financial performance of VMware, including those discussed in the prior risk factor.

In addition, although we own a majority of VMware and consolidate their results, our stock price may not reflect our pro rata ownership interest of VMware.

We may be unable to keep pace with rapid industry, technological and market changes.

The markets in which we compete are characterized by rapid technological change, frequent new product introductions, evolving industry standards and changing needs of customers. There can be no assurance that our existing products will be properly

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positioned in the market or that we will be able to introduce new or enhanced products into the market on a timely basis, or at all. We spend a considerable amount of money on research and development and introduce new products from time to time. There can be no assurance that enhancements to existing products and solutions or new products and solutions will receive customer acceptance. As competition in the IT industry increases, it may become increasingly difficult for us to maintain a technological advantage and to leverage that advantage toward increased revenues and profits. In addition, there can be no assurance that our vision of enabling hybrid cloud computing through infrastructure and application transformation will be accepted or validated in the marketplace.

Risks associated with the development and introduction of new products include delays in development and changes in data storage, networking virtualization, infrastructure management, information security and operating system technologies which could require us to modify existing products. Risks inherent in the transition to new products include:

the difficulty in forecasting customer preferences or demand accurately;

the inability to expand production capacity to meet demand for new products;

the impact of customers' demand for new products on the products being replaced, thereby causing a decline in sales of existing products and an excessive, obsolete supply of inventory; and

delays in initial shipments of new products.

Further risks inherent in new product introductions include the uncertainty of price-performance relative to products of competitors, competitors' responses to the introductions and the desire by customers to evaluate new products for extended periods of time. Our failure to introduce new or enhanced products on a timely basis, keep pace with rapid industry, technological or market changes or effectively manage the transitions to new products or new technologies could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

The markets we serve are highly competitive and we may be unable to compete effectively.

We compete with many companies in the markets we serve, certain of which offer a broad spectrum of IT products and services and others which offer specific information storage, protection, security, management, virtualization and intelligence products or services. Some of these companies (whether independently or by establishing alliances) may have substantially greater financial, marketing and technological resources, larger distribution capabilities, earlier access to customers and greater opportunity to address customers' various IT requirements than us. In addition, as the IT industry consolidates, companies may improve their competitive position and ability to compete against us. We compete on the basis of our products' features, performance and price as well as our services. Our failure to compete on any of these bases could affect demand for our products or services, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Companies may develop new technologies or products in advance of us or establish business models or technologies disruptive to us. Our business may be materially adversely affected by the announcement or introduction of new products, including hardware and software products and services by our competitors, and the implementation of effective marketing or sales strategies by our competitors. The material adverse effect to our business could include a decrease in demand for our products and services and an increase in the length of our sales cycle due to customers taking longer to compare products and services and to complete their purchases.

We may have difficulty managing operations.

Our future operating results will depend on our overall ability to manage operations, which includes, among other things:

retaining and hiring, as required, the appropriate number of qualified employees;

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managing, protecting and enhancing, as appropriate, our infrastructure, including but not limited to, our information systems (and such systems' ability to protect confidential information residing on the systems) and internal controls;

accurately forecasting revenues;

training our sales force to sell more software and services;

successfully integrating new acquisitions;

managing inventory levels, including minimizing excess and obsolete inventory, while maintaining sufficient inventory to meet customer demands;

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controlling expenses;

managing our manufacturing capacity, real estate facilities and other assets; and

executing on our plans.

An unexpected decline in revenues without a corresponding and timely reduction in expenses or a failure to manage other aspects of our operations could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Our investment portfolio could experience a decline in market value which could adversely affect our financial results.

We held \$6.1 billion in short- and long-term investments as of September 30, 2011. The investments are invested primarily in investment grade debt securities, and we limit the amount of investment with any one issuer. A further deterioration in the economy, including a tightening of credit markets, increased defaults by issuers, or significant volatility in interest rates, including due to downgrades in U.S. government debt, could cause the investments to decline in value or could impact the liquidity of the portfolio. If market conditions deteriorate significantly, our results of operations or financial condition could be materially adversely affected.

Our business may suffer if we are unable to retain or attract key personnel.

Our business depends to a significant extent on the continued service of senior management and other key employees, the development of additional management personnel and the hiring of new qualified employees. There can be no assurance that we will be successful in retaining existing personnel or recruiting new personnel. The loss of one or more key or other employees, our inability to attract additional qualified employees or the delay in hiring key personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Our quarterly revenues and earnings could be materially adversely affected by uneven sales patterns and changing purchasing behaviors.

Our quarterly sales have historically reflected an uneven pattern in which a disproportionate percentage of a quarter's total sales occur in the last month and weeks and days of each quarter. This pattern makes prediction of revenues, earnings and working capital for each financial period especially difficult and uncertain and increases the risk of unanticipated variations in quarterly results and financial condition. We believe this uneven sales pattern is a result of many factors including:

the relative dollar amount of our product and services offerings in relation to many of our customers' budgets, resulting in long lead times for customers' budgetary approval, which tends to be given late in a quarter;

the tendency of customers to wait until late in a quarter to commit to purchase in the hope of obtaining more favorable pricing from one or more competitors seeking their business;

the fourth quarter influence of customers' spending their remaining capital budget authorization prior to new budget constraints in the first nine months of the following year; and

seasonal influences.

Our uneven sales pattern also makes it extremely difficult to predict near-term demand and adjust manufacturing capacity or our supply chain accordingly. If predicted demand is substantially greater than orders, there will be excess inventory. Alternatively, if orders substantially exceed predicted demand, the ability to assemble, test and ship orders received in the last weeks and days of each quarter may be limited, which could materially adversely affect quarterly revenues and earnings.

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In addition, our revenues in any quarter are substantially dependent on orders booked and shipped in that quarter and our backlog at any particular time is not necessarily indicative of future sales levels. This is because:

we assemble our products on the basis of our forecast of near-term demand and maintain inventory in advance of receipt of firm orders from customers;

we generally ship products shortly after receipt of the order; and

customers may generally reschedule or cancel orders with little or no penalty.

Loss of infrastructure, due to factors such as an information systems failure, loss of public utilities, natural disasters or extreme weather conditions, could impact our ability to ship products in a timely manner. Delays in product shipping or an

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unexpected decline in revenues without a corresponding and timely slowdown in expenses, could intensify the impact of these factors on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

In addition, unanticipated changes in our customers' purchasing behaviors such as customers taking longer to negotiate and complete their purchases or making smaller, incremental purchases based on their current needs, also make the prediction of revenues, earnings and working capital for each financial period difficult and uncertain and increase the risk of unanticipated variations in our quarterly results and financial condition.

Risks associated with our distribution channels may materially adversely affect our financial results.

In addition to our direct sales force, we have agreements in place with many distributors, systems integrators, resellers and original equipment manufacturers to market and sell our products and services. We may, from time to time, derive a significant percentage of our revenues from such distribution channels. Our financial results could be materially adversely affected if our contracts with channel partners were terminated, if our relationship with channel partners were to deteriorate, if the financial condition of our channel partners were to weaken, if our channel partners were not able to timely and effectively implement their planned actions or if the level of demand for our channel partners' products and services were to decrease. In addition, as our market opportunities change, we may have an increased reliance on channel partners, which may negatively impact our gross margins. There can be no assurance that we will be successful in maintaining or expanding these channels. If we are not successful, we may lose sales opportunities, customers and market share. Furthermore, the partial reliance on channel partners may materially reduce the visibility to our management of potential customers and demand for products and services, thereby making it more difficult to accurately forecast such demand. In addition, there can be no assurance that our channel partners will not develop, market or sell products or services or acquire other companies that develop, market or sell products or services in competition with us in the future.

In addition, as we focus on new market opportunities and additional customers through our various distribution channels, including small-to-medium sized businesses, we may be required to provide different levels of service and support than we typically provided in the past. We may have difficulty managing directly or indirectly through our channels these different service and support requirements and may be required to incur substantial costs to provide such services which may adversely affect our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Due to the global nature of our business, political, economic or regulatory changes or other factors in a specific country or region could impair our international operations, future revenue or financial condition.

A substantial portion of our revenues is derived from sales outside the United States including, increasingly, in rapid growth markets such as Brazil, Russia, India and China. In addition, a substantial portion of our products is manufactured outside of the United States. Accordingly, our future results could be materially adversely affected by a variety of factors relating to our operations outside the United States, including, among others, the following:

changes in foreign currency exchange rates;

changes in a specific country's or region's economic conditions;

political or social unrest;

trade restrictions;

import or export licensing requirements;

the overlap of different tax structures or changes in international tax laws;

changes in regulatory requirements;

difficulties in staffing and managing international operations;

stringent privacy policies in some foreign countries;

compliance with a variety of foreign laws and regulations; and

longer payment cycles in certain countries.

Foreign operations, particularly in those countries with developing economies, are also subject to risks of violations of laws prohibiting improper payments and bribery, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and similar regulations in foreign jurisdictions. Although we implement policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance with these laws, our employees,

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contractors and agents may take actions in violation of our policies. Any such violations, even if prohibited by our policies, could subject us to civil or criminal penalties or otherwise have an adverse effect on our business and reputation.

In addition, we hold a significant portion of our cash and investments in our international subsidiaries. Potential regulations could impact our ability to transfer the cash and investments to the United States. Should we desire to repatriate cash, we may incur a significant tax obligation.

We operate a Venezuelan sales subsidiary in which the Bolivar is the functional currency. Due to limitations in accessing the dollar at the official exchange rate, we have utilized the System for Transactions in Foreign Currency Securities or SITME rate, which is the available market rate in the country to translate the foreign currency denominated balance sheet. Our operations in Venezuela include U.S. dollar-denominated assets and liabilities which we remeasure to Bolivars. The remeasurement may result in transaction gains or losses. We have used either the official exchange rate or the parallel exchange rate to remeasure these balances based upon the expected rate at which we believe the items will be settled. As a result of continued hyper-inflation in Venezuela, effective in 2010, we have modified the functional currency to be the U.S. dollar. As a result of this change, Bolivar-denominated transactions will be subject to exchange gains and losses that may impact our earnings. While we do not believe this change will have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows, these items could be adversely affected if there is a significant change in exchange rates.

Security breaches could expose us to liability and our reputation and business could suffer.

We retain sensitive data, including intellectual property, books of record and personally identifiable information, in our secure data centers and on our networks. It is critical to our business strategy that our infrastructure remains secure and is perceived by customers and partners to be secure. Despite our security measures, our infrastructure may be vulnerable to attacks by hackers or other disruptive problems. Any such security breach may compromise information stored on our networks. Such an occurrence could negatively affect our reputation as a trusted provider of information infrastructure by adversely affecting the market's perception of the security or reliability of our products or services.

Undetected problems in our products could directly impair our financial results.

If flaws in design, production, assembly or testing of our products (by us or our suppliers) were to occur, we could experience a rate of failure in our products that would result in substantial repair, replacement or service costs and potential damage to our reputation. Continued improvement in manufacturing capabilities, control of material and manufacturing quality and costs and product testing are critical factors in our future growth. There can be no assurance that our efforts to monitor, develop, modify and implement appropriate test and manufacturing processes for our products will be sufficient to permit us to avoid a rate of failure in our products that results in substantial delays in shipment, significant repair or replacement costs or potential damage to our reputation, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Our business could be materially adversely affected as a result of the risks associated with alliances.

We have alliances with leading information technology companies and we plan to continue our strategy of developing key alliances in order to expand our reach into markets. There can be no assurance that we will be successful in our ongoing strategic alliances or that we will be able to find further suitable business relationships as we develop new products and strategies. Any failure to continue or expand such relationships could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

There can be no assurance that companies with which we have strategic alliances, certain of which have substantially greater financial, marketing or technological resources than us, will not develop or market products in competition with us in the future, discontinue their alliances with us or form alliances with our competitors.

Our business may suffer if we cannot protect our intellectual property.

We generally rely upon patent, copyright, trademark and trade secret laws and contract rights in the United States and in other countries to establish and maintain our proprietary rights in our technology and products. However, there can be no assurance that any of our proprietary rights will not be challenged, invalidated or circumvented. In addition, the laws of certain countries do not protect our proprietary rights to the same extent as do the laws of the United States. Therefore, there can be no assurance that we will be able to adequately protect our proprietary technology against unauthorized third-party copying or use, which could adversely affect our competitive position. Further, there can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain licenses to any technology that we may require to conduct our business or that, if obtainable, such technology can be licensed at a reasonable cost.

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From time to time, we receive notices from third parties claiming infringement by our products of third-party patent or other intellectual property rights. Responding to any such claim, regardless of its merit, could be time-consuming, result in costly litigation, divert management's attention and resources and cause us to incur significant expenses. In the event there is a temporary or permanent injunction entered prohibiting us from marketing or selling certain of our products or a successful claim of infringement against us requiring us to pay royalties to a third party, and we fail to develop or license a substitute technology, our business, results of operations or financial condition could be materially adversely affected.

In addition, although we believe we have adequate security measures, if our network security is penetrated and our intellectual property or other sensitive data is misappropriated, we could suffer monetary and other losses and reputational harm, which could materially adversely affect our business, results of operations or financial condition.

We may become involved in litigation that may materially adversely affect us.

From time to time, we may become involved in various legal proceedings relating to matters incidental to the ordinary course of our business, including patent, commercial, product liability, employment, class action, whistleblower and other litigation and claims, and governmental and other regulatory investigations and proceedings. Such matters can be time-consuming, divert management's attention and resources and cause us to incur significant expenses. Furthermore, because litigation is inherently unpredictable, there can be no assurance that the results of any of these actions will not have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Issues arising during the upgrade of our enterprise resource planning system could affect our operating results and ability to manage our business effectively.

We are in the process of upgrading our enterprise resource planning, or ERP, computer system to enhance operating efficiencies and provide more effective management of our business operations. The upgrade, or our failure to implement the upgrade, could cause substantial business interruption that could adversely impact our operating results. We are investing significant financial and personnel resources into this project. However, there is no assurance that the design will meet our current and future business needs or that it will operate as designed. We are heavily dependent on such computer systems, and any significant failure or delay in the system upgrade, if encountered, could cause a substantial interruption to our business and additional expense which could result in an adverse impact on our operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

We may have exposure to additional income tax liabilities.

As a multinational corporation, we are subject to income taxes in both the United States and various foreign jurisdictions. Our domestic and international tax liabilities are subject to the allocation of revenues and expenses in different jurisdictions and the timing of recognizing revenues and expenses. Additionally, the amount of income taxes paid is subject to our interpretation of applicable tax laws in the jurisdictions in which we file and changes to tax laws. From time to time, we are subject to income tax audits. While we believe we have complied with all applicable income tax laws, there can be no assurance that a governing tax authority will not have a different interpretation of the law and assess us with additional taxes. Should we be assessed with additional taxes, there could be a material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial condition.

In February 2010, President Obama, as part of the Administration's FY 2011 budget, proposed changing certain of the U.S. tax rules for U.S. corporations doing business outside the United States. The proposed changes include limiting the ability of U.S. corporations to deduct certain expenses attributable to offshore earnings, modifying the foreign tax credit rules and taxing currently certain transfers of intangibles offshore. In August 2010, President Obama signed into law H.R. 1586 (commonly known as the Education Jobs and Medicaid Assistance Act), which included several international tax provisions with minimal impact on the Company's effective tax rate. As part of its FY 2012 budget, the Administration has re-proposed, with certain modifications, a number of tax provisions that were not adopted during the previous Congress. Although the scope of future changes remains unclear, revisions to the taxation of international income continue to be a topic of conversation for the Obama Administration and the U.S. Congress. As the enactment of some or all of these proposals could increase the Company's effective tax rate and adversely affect our profitability, we will continue to monitor them.

During 2010, the IRS announced and finalized Schedule UTP, Uncertain Tax Positions Statement. This schedule is an annual disclosure of certain federal UTPs, ranked in order of magnitude. According to the IRS, the disclosure is to include a concise description of the tax position, including a description of the relevant facts affecting the tax treatment of the position and information that reasonably can be expected to apprise the Service of the identity of the tax position. As a result of this disclosure, the amount of taxes we would have to pay in the future could increase.

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In December 2010, the President signed into law H.R. 4853, Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010, which included an extension of a number of expired tax provisions retroactively to 2010 and prospectively through 2011. Among the extended tax provisions was the research and development tax credit, which provides a significant reduction in our effective tax rate. The renewal of this credit beyond 2011 is uncertain.

Changes in regulations could materially adversely affect us.

Our business, results of operations or financial condition could be materially adversely affected if laws, regulations or standards relating to us or our products are newly implemented or changed. In addition, our compliance with existing regulations may have a material adverse impact on us. Under applicable federal securities laws, including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, we are required to evaluate and determine the effectiveness of our internal control structure and procedures for financial reporting. Should we or our independent auditors determine that we have material weaknesses in our internal controls, our results of operations or financial condition may be materially adversely affected or our stock price may decline. In March 2010, President Obama signed into law a comprehensive health care reform package. We cannot currently determine the impact that such legislation could have on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Changes in generally accepted accounting principles may materially adversely affect us.

From time to time, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) promulgates new accounting principles that could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations or financial condition. The FASB is currently contemplating a number of new accounting pronouncements which, if approved, could materially change our reported results. Such changes could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations and financial position.

Our business could be materially adversely affected as a result of the risks associated with acquisitions and investments.

As part of our business strategy, we seek to acquire businesses that offer complementary products, services or technologies. These acquisitions are accompanied by the risks commonly encountered in an acquisition of a business, which may include, among other things:

the effect of the acquisition on our financial and strategic position and reputation;

the failure of an acquired business to further our strategies;

the failure of the acquisition to result in expected benefits, which may include benefits relating to enhanced revenues, technology, human resources, cost savings, operating efficiencies and other synergies;

the difficulty and cost of integrating the acquired business, including costs and delays in implementing common systems and procedures and costs and delays caused by communication difficulties or geographic distances between the two companies' sites;

the assumption of liabilities of the acquired business, including litigation-related liability;

the potential impairment of acquired assets;

the lack of experience in new markets, products or technologies or the initial dependence on unfamiliar supply or distribution partners;

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the diversion of our management's attention from other business concerns;

the impairment of relationships with customers or suppliers of the acquired business or our customers or suppliers;

the potential loss of key employees of the acquired company; and

the potential incompatibility of business cultures.

These factors could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition. To the extent that we issue shares of our common stock or other rights to purchase our common stock in connection with any future acquisition, existing shareholders may experience dilution. Additionally, regardless of the form of consideration issued, acquisitions could negatively impact our net income and our earnings per share.

In addition to the risks commonly encountered in the acquisition of a business as described above, we may also experience risks relating to the challenges and costs of closing a transaction. Further, the risks described above may be exacerbated as a result of managing multiple acquisitions at the same time.

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We also seek to invest in businesses that offer complementary products, services or technologies. These investments are accompanied by risks similar to those encountered in an acquisition of a business.

Our pension plan assets are subject to market volatility.

We have a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan assumed as part of our Data General acquisition. The plan's assets are invested in common stocks, bonds and cash. The expected long-term rate of return on the plan's assets is 6.75%. This rate represents the average of the expected long-term rates of return weighted by the plan's assets as of December 31, 2010. We have begun to shift, and may continue to shift in the future, its asset allocation to lower the percentage of investment in equity securities and increase the percentage of investments in fixed-income securities. The effect of such change could result in a reduction in the long-term rate on plan assets and an increase in future pension expense. As of December 31, 2010, the ten-year historical rate of return on plan assets was 4.1%, and the inception to date return on plan assets was 9.8%. In 2010, we experienced a 12.6% gain on plan assets. Should we not achieve the expected rate of return on the plan's assets or if the plan experiences a decline in the fair value of its assets, we may be required to contribute assets to the plan which could materially adversely affect our results of operations or financial condition.

Our business could be materially adversely affected by changes in regulations or standards regarding energy use of our products.

We continually seek ways to increase the energy efficiency of our products. Recent analyses have estimated the amount of global carbon emissions that are due to information technology products. As a result, governmental and non-governmental organizations have turned their attention to development of regulations and standards to drive technological improvements and reduce such amount of carbon emissions. There is a risk that the development of these standards will not fully address the complexity of the technology developed by the IT industry or will favor certain technological approaches. Depending on the regulations or standards that are ultimately adopted, compliance could materially adversely affect our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Our business could be materially adversely affected as a result of war, acts of terrorism or natural disasters.

Terrorist acts, acts of war, natural disasters, such as the recent flooding in Thailand, or other indirect effects of climate change may cause damage or disruption to our employees, facilities, customers, partners, suppliers, distributors and resellers, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition. Such events may also cause damage or disruption to transportation and communication systems and to our ability to manage logistics in such an environment, including receipt of components and distribution of products.

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ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2011

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased ⁽¹⁾	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
July 1, 2011				
July 31, 2011	2,619,818	\$ 26.85	2,566,601	91,843,880
August 1, 2011				
August 31, 2011	23,851,302	22.51	22,390,227	69,453,653
September 1, 2011				
September 30, 2011	10,664,265	21.37	10,664,236	58,789,417
Total	37,135,385 ⁽²⁾	\$ 22.49	35,621,064	58,789,417

(1) Except as noted in note (2), all shares were purchased in open-market transactions pursuant to our previously announced authorization by our Board of Directors in April 2008 to repurchase 250.0 million shares of our common stock. This repurchase authorization does not have a fixed termination date.

(2) Includes an aggregate of 1,514,321 shares withheld from employees for the payment of taxes.

Item 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

Item 4. RESERVED**Item 5. OTHER INFORMATION**

None.

Item 6. EXHIBITS

(a) Exhibits

See index to Exhibits on page 53 of this report.

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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.

EMC CORPORATION

Date: November 3, 2011

By: /s/ DAVID I. GOULDEN
David I. Goulden
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

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EXHIBIT INDEX

3.1	Restated Articles of Organization of EMC Corporation. (1)
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of EMC Corporation. (2)
4.1	Form of Stock Certificate. (3)
4.2	Indenture with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as trustee, dated as of November 17, 2006. (4)
4.3	Registration Rights Agreement with Goldman, Sachs & Co., Lehman Brothers Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., dated as of November 17, 2006. (4)
31.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. (filed herewith)
31.2	Certification of Principal Financial Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. (filed herewith)
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. (filed herewith)
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. (filed herewith)
101.INS*	XBRL Instance Document. (filed herewith)
101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema. (filed herewith)
101.CAL*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase. (filed herewith)
101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase. (filed herewith)
101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase. (filed herewith)
101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase. (filed herewith)

* Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, these interactive data files shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to liability under that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

- (1) Incorporated by reference to EMC Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed February 27, 2009 (No. 1-9853).
- (2) Incorporated by reference to EMC Corporation's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed May 5, 2011 (No. 1-9853).
- (3) Incorporated by reference to EMC Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed February 29, 2008 (No. 1-9853).
- (4) Incorporated by reference to EMC Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed November 17, 2006 (No. 1-9853).