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FORM 10-Q
(MARK ONE) ☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2001
OR
☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period fromto
Commission File No. 000-22513
AMAZON.COM, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)
Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 91-1646860 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
1200 12th Avenue South, Suite 1200, Seattle, Washington 98144-2734 (Address of principal executive offices, zip code)
(206) 266-1000 (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 □ 362,743,750 shares of \$0.01 par value common stock outstanding as of July 15, 2001
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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AMAZON.COM, INC.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	June 30, 2001	December 31, 2000
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 462,949	\$ 822,435
Marketable securities	146,020	278,087
Inventories	129,035	174,563
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	71,353	86,044
Total current assets	809,357	1,361,129
Fixed assets, net	292,422	366,416
Goodwill, net	89,002	158,990
Other intangibles, net	63,893	96,335
Investments in equity-method investees	12,223	52,073
Other equity investments	24,729	40,177
Other assets	53,410	60,049
Total assets	\$1,345,036	\$2,135,169
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 257,976	\$ 485,383
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	241,149	272,683
Unearned revenue	86,945	131,117
Interest payable	43,833	69,196
Current portion of long-term debt and other	18,337	16,577
Total current liabilities	648,240	974,956
Long-term debt and other	2,126,727	2,127,464
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' deficit:		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value:		
Authorized shares—500,000		
Issued and outstanding shares—none	_	_
Common stock, \$0.01 par value:		

Authorized shares—5,000,000		
Issued and outstanding shares—362,191 and 357,140 shares at June 30,		
2001 and December 31, 2000, respectively	3,622	3,571
Additional paid-in capital	1,356,216	1,338,303
Deferred stock-based compensation	(10,132)	(13,448)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(83,846)	(2,376)
Accumulated deficit	(2,695,791)	(2,293,301)
Total stockholders' deficit	(1,429,931)	(967,251)
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Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	\$1,345,036	\$2,135,169

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (in thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
2001	2000	2001	2000
\$ 667,625	\$ 577,876	\$1,367,981	\$1,151,765
487,905	441,812	1,005,664	887,567
179,720	136,064	362,317	264,198
85 583	87 597	183 831	187,060
			82,864
,		,	128,376
			54,513
			21,818
			163,368
58,650	2,449	172,910	4,468
319,560	316,441	718,765	642,467
(139,840)	(180,377)	(356,448)	(378,269)
			20,440
			(61,018)
			(8,046)
11,315	_	45,172	
(18,204)	(26,355)	(12,029)	(48,624)
			(426,893)
(10,315)	(110,452)	(23,490)	(198,716)
(168,359)	(317,184)	(391,967)	(625,609)
_	_	(10,523)	_
\$(168,359)	\$(317,184)	\$ (402,490)	\$ (625,609)
\$ (0.47)	\$ (0.91)	\$ (1.09) (0.03)	\$ (1.80)
Φ (0.45)	Φ. (0.00)	Φ (4.45)	Φ (1.00)
\$ (0.47)	\$ (0.91)	\$ (1.12)	\$ (1.80)
359,752	349,886	358,595	346,680
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2001	2000	2001	2000
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$ 446,944	\$ 755,133	\$ 822,435	\$ 133,309
OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net loss	(168,359)	(317,184)	(402,490)	(625,609)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	(100,557)	(317,101)	(102,170)	(023,00))
Depreciation of fixed assets and other amortization	20,794	20,682	43,867	38,862
Stock-based compensation	2,351	8,166	5,267	21,818
Equity in losses of equity-method investees, net	10,315	110,452	23,490	198,716
Amortization of goodwill and other intangibles	50,830	80,413	101,661	163,368
Non-cash restructuring-related and other	6,525	2,449	68,529	4,468
Amortization of previously unearned revenue	(31,908)	(20,203)	(65,300)	(38,688)
Loss (gain) on sale of marketable securities, net	187	1,648	214	(952)
Other gains, net	(11,315)	_	(45,172)	_
Non-cash interest expense and other	6,713	6,208	13,285	12,089
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	_	_	10,523	_
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Inventories	25,277	(103)	45,100	48,286
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(12,203)	4,104	15,131	1,037
Accounts payable	(1,632)	30,442	(231,390)	(176,787)
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities Unearned revenue	52,271 25,192	(756) 1,011	(5,491) 43,197	(32,294) 1,625
Interest payable	27,447	18,642		9,654
interest payable	27,447	16,042	(24,920)	9,034
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	2,485	(54,029)	(404,499)	(374,407)
Sales and maturities of marketable securities	66,971	68,949	161,337	449,294
Purchases of marketable securities	(26,743)	(21,930)	(57,121)	(50,786)
Purchases of fixed assets, including internal-use software and web-site development	(10,425)	(28,878)	(29,862)	(55,479)
Investments in equity-method investees and other investments	_	(8,595)	_	(56,082)
Net cash provided by investing activities	29,803	9,546	74,354	286,947
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	7,644	13,794	13,477	35,153
Proceeds from long-term debt and other		1,625	10,000	680,999
Repayment of long-term debt and other	(4,094)	(5,197)	(8,669)	(9,220)
Financing costs	_	(227)	_	(16,122)
N-6 l id-d l. C i dividi	3,550	9,995	14.808	690.810
Net cash provided by financing activities Effect of exchange-rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(19,833)	(268)	(44,149)	(16,282)
Effect of exchange-rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(19,833)	(208)	(44,149)	(10,282)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	16,005	(34,756)	(359,486)	587,068
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	\$ 462,949	\$ 720,377	\$ 462,949	\$ 720,377
SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION:				
Fixed assets acquired under capital leases	\$ 171	\$ 844	\$ 2,469	\$ 4,346
Fixed assets acquired under capital leases Fixed assets acquired under financing agreements	φ 1/1	\$ 844 293	φ 2,409	\$ 4,346 4,844
Equity securities received for commercial agreements		293	331	97,839
Stock issued in connection with business acquisitions	_	30,000	331	30,000
Cash paid for interest	1,198	7,996	87,422	43,831
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)
June 30, 2001

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared by Amazon.com, Inc. ("Amazon.com" or the "Company") pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") for interim financial reporting. These consolidated financial statements are unaudited and, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments and accruals, as well as the accounting change to adopt Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," necessary for a fair presentation of the consolidated balance sheets, operating results, and cash flows for the periods presented. Operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2001 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2001 due to seasonal and other factors. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States have been omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. These consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements, and accompanying notes, included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

Loss per Share

The number of shares used in calculating loss per share for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000 was reduced by 1 million and 3 million, respectively, and the number of shares used in calculating loss per share for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000 was reduced by 1 million and 4 million, respectively. Such reductions reflect the weighted average number of outstanding shares subject to repurchase or forefeiture for the corresponding periods. The effect of stock options is antidilutive and, accordingly, is excluded from diluted loss per share.

Revenues

Amounts billed to customers for outbound shipping charges are included in net sales and were \$76 million and \$73 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$159 million and \$148 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

Service revenues were \$39 million and \$27 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$81 million and \$50 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Included in service revenues are equity-based service revenues of \$8 million and \$20 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$17 million and \$37 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Equity-based service revenues are associated with private and public securities received and amortized into results of operations.

Derivative Financial Instruments

Effective January 1, 2001, the Company adopted SFAS No. 133, which requires that all derivative instruments be recorded on the balance sheet at fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recorded each period in current results of operations or other comprehensive income (loss) depending on whether a derivative is designated as part of a hedge transaction and, if it is, the type of hedge transaction. For a derivative designated as a fair value hedge, the gain or loss of the derivative in the period of change and the offsetting loss or gain of the hedged item attributed to the hedged risk are recognized in results of operations. For a derivative designated as a cash flow hedge, the effective portion of the derivative's gain or loss is initially reported as a component of other comprehensive income (loss) and subsequently reclassified into results of operations when the hedged exposure affects results of operations. The ineffective portion of the gain or loss of a cash flow hedge is recognized immediately in results of operations. For a derivative not designated as a hedging instrument, the gain or loss is recognized currently in results of operations.

In February 2000, the Company completed an offering of 690 million Euros of 6.875% Euro-denominated Convertible Subordinated Notes due February 16, 2010 (referred to as "PEACS"). The Company uses derivative financial instruments to hedge the risk of fluctuations in foreign exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and the Euro associated with a portion of its PEACS. Specifically, the Company has designated a cross-currency swap agreement as a cash flow hedge of the foreign exchange rate risk on a portion of the PEACS. Under the swap agreement, the Company agreed to pay at inception and receive upon maturity 75 million Euros in exchange for receiving at inception and paying at maturity \$67 million. In addition, the Company agreed to receive in February of each year 27 million Euros for interest payments on 390 million Euros in principal of the PEACS and, simultaneously, to pay \$32 million. This agreement is cancelable, in whole or in part, at the Company's option at no cost on or after February 20, 2003 if the Company's stock price is greater than or equal to 84.883 Euros, the conversion price of the PEACS. Each period, a portion of the swap gain or loss included in "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" is reclassified to "Other gains, net" to offset the foreign currency loss or gain attributable to remeasurement of the hedged portion of the PEACS. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2001, currency swap losses of \$3 million and \$7 million, respectively, were reclassified to offset \$3 million and \$7 million of currency gains on the PEACS, respectively. The terms of the swap contract have been structured to match the terms of the hedged portion of the PEACS. No ineffectiveness was recognized in results of operations for the three months or six months ended June 30, 2001.

The Company also designated forward purchase agreements as cash flow hedges of the foreign exchange rate risk on a portion of the PEACS's interest payment paid on February 16, 2001. Under the forward purchase agreements, the Company agreed to pay \$18 million and receive 21 million Euros. The impact on results of operations, relating to forward purchase agreements for the six months ended June 30, 2001, was not significant. There was no activity related to forward purchase agreements during the three months ended June 30, 2001.

The Company holds strategic investments in warrants to purchase equity securities of other companies. Warrants that can be exercised and settled by delivery of net shares such that the Company pays no cash upon exercise ("net share warrants") are deemed derivative financial instruments. Net share warrants are not designated as hedging instruments; accordingly, gains or losses resulting from changes in fair value are recognized in "Other gains, net" in the period of change. The Company determines the fair value of its warrants through option-pricing models using current market price and volatility assumptions, including public-company market comparables for its private-company warrants. For the three months ended June 30, 2001, net warrant losses recognized were not significant. Net warrant gains of \$1 million were recognized for the six months ended June 30, 2001.

The adoption of SFAS No. 133 on January 1, 2001 resulted in cumulative transition losses of \$11 million included in the results of operations and a stockholders' deficit adjustment of \$12 million. Transition losses included in "Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle" are attributable to approximately \$3 million in losses reclassified from "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" on warrants previously reported at fair value and classified as available-for-sale, and approximately \$8 million in losses on warrants previously reported at cost. No warrant investments are designated as hedging instruments. Transition losses in "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" are attributable to approximately \$15 million in losses on the swap agreement designated as a cash flow hedge of a portion of the PEACS offset by the approximately \$3 million in losses reclassified to results of operations on derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments.

Effective January 1, 2001, currency gains and losses arising from the remeasurement of the PEACS's principal from Euros to U.S. dollars each period are recorded to "Other gains, net." Prior to January 1, 2001, PEACS's principal of 615 million Euros was designated as a hedge of an equivalent amount of Euro-denominated investments classified as available-for-sale; accordingly, currency gains and losses on the PEACS were recorded to "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" as hedging offsets to currency gains and losses on the Euro-denominated investments. As the hedge does not qualify for hedge accounting under the provisions of SFAS 133, commencing January 1, 2001, the foreign currency change resulting from the portion of the PEACS previously hedging the available-for-sale securities is now being recorded in the statements of operations. Gains resulting from the remeasurement of the PEACS's principal were \$23 million and \$69 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2001 the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 141 "Business Combinations" and SFAS No. 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." SFAS No. 141 requires business combinations initiated after June 30, 2001 to be accounted for using the purchase method of accounting, and broadens the criteria for recording intangible assets separate from goodwill. Recorded goodwill and intangibles will be evaluated against this new criteria and may result in certain intangibles being subsumed into goodwill, or alternatively, amounts initially recorded as goodwill may be separately identified and recognized apart from goodwill. SFAS No. 142 requires the use of a nonamortization approach to account for purchased goodwill and certain intangibles. Under a nonamortization approach, goodwill and certain intangibles will not be amortized into results of operations, but instead would be reviewed for impairment and written down and charged to results of operations only in the periods in which the recorded value of goodwill and certain intangibles is more than its fair value. The provisions of each statement which apply to goodwill and intangible assets acquired prior to June 30, 2001 will be adopted by the Company on January 1, 2002. We expect the adoption of these accounting standards will result in certain of our intangibles being subsumed into goodwill and will have the impact of reducing our amortization of goodwill and intangibles commencing January 1, 2002; however, impairment reviews may result in future periodic write-downs.

Note 2. Marketable Securities

Marketable securities, at fair value, consist of the following (in thousands):

	June 30, 2001	December 31, 2000
Corporate notes and bonds	\$ 14,898	\$ 17,447
Asset-backed and agency securities	34,346	82,571
Treasury notes and bonds	83,950	142,085
Equity securities	12,826	35,984
	\$146,020	\$278,087

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Note 3. Fixed assets

Fixed assets, at cost, consist of the following (in thousands):

	June 30, 2001	December 31, 2000	
Computers, equipment and software	\$ 270,593	\$317,806	

Leasehold improvements Leased assets Construction in progress	102,924 54,341 2,330	107,367 51,969 4,122
Less accumulated depreciation Less accumulated amortization on leased assets	430,188 (116,744) (21,022)	481,264 (99,244) (15,604)
Fixed assets, net	\$ 292,422	\$366,416

For the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, depreciation of fixed assets was \$21 million and \$20 million, respectively, which includes amortization of fixed assets acquired under capital lease obligations of \$3 million for each period. For the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, depreciation of fixed assets was \$44 million and \$38 million, respectively, which includes amortization of fixed assets acquired under capital lease obligations of \$6 million and \$5 million, respectively.

Note 4. Unearned Revenue

During the six months ended June 30, 2001, activity in unearned revenue was as follows (in thousands):

Balance, December 31, 2000	\$131,117
Cash received or cash receivable	43,197
Fair value of equity securities received	331
Amortization to revenue	(65,300)
Contract termination, Kozmo.com	(22,400)
Balance, June 30, 2001	\$ 86,945

Note 5. Stock-Based Compensation

During the first quarter of 2001, the Company offered a limited non-compulsory exchange of employee stock options. The exchange resulted in the voluntary cancellation of employee stock options to purchase 31 million shares of common stock with varying exercise prices in exchange for 12 million employee stock options with an exercise price of \$13.375. The option exchange offer resulted in variable accounting treatment for, at the time of the exchange, approximately 15 million stock options, which includes options granted under the exchange offer and all options, with a weighted average exercise price of \$52.41, that were subject to the exchange offer but were not exchanged. Variable accounting will continue until all options subject to variable accounting treatment are exercised, cancelled or expired. At June 30, 2001, approximately 13 million shares remain under variable accounting treatment, which includes 12 million options granted under the exchange offer and all other options, with a weighted average exercise price of \$47.61, that were subject to the exchange offer but were not exchanged. Variable accounting treatment will result in unpredictable charges or credits, recorded to "Stock-based compensation," dependent on fluctuations in quoted prices for the Company's common stock.

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Stock-based compensation includes stock-based charges resulting from variable accounting treatment, option-related deferred compensation recorded at the Company's initial public offering, as well as certain other compensation and severance arrangements. Stock-based compensation also includes the portion of acquisition-related consideration conditioned on the continued tenure of key employees of certain acquired businesses, which must be classified as compensation expense rather than as a component of purchase price under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Stock-based compensation was \$2 million and \$8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$5 million and \$22 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The declines in stock-based compensation during the three and six months ended June 30, 2001 resulted from the full vesting and corresponding full amortization of deferred stock-based compensation by employees associated with certain acquired businesses and the termination of certain acquisition-related employees prior to vesting in stock-based compensation awards, which had the effect of reducing stock-based compensation in comparison with the same periods in the prior year. Stock-based compensation related to variable accounting treatment was \$4 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001.

As of June 30, 2001, the number of shares of common stock subject to vested and unvested employee stock options was approximately 42 million, or 12% of the Company's outstanding common stock.

The following table shows the amounts of stock-based compensation that would have been recorded under the following income statement categories had stock-based compensation not been separately stated in the consolidated statements of operations (in thousands):

Three Months Ended	Six Months Ended
June 30,	June 30,

	2001	2000	2001	2000
Cost of sales	\$ 43	<u> </u>	\$ 43	\$ —
Fulfillment	736	(1,627)	738	(1,612)
Marketing	456	36	480	352
Technology and content	(212)	9,331	2,656	22,160
General and administrative	1,328	426	1,350	918
	\$2,351	\$ 8,166	\$5,267	\$21,818

Note 6. Restructuring-related and other

Restructuring-related and other expenses were \$59 million and \$2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$173 million and \$4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. In the first quarter of 2001, the Company announced and began implementation of its operational restructuring plan to reduce operating costs, streamline its organizational structure, and consolidate certain of its fulfillment and customer service operations. As a result of this operational restructuring, the Company recorded restructuring and other charges of \$114 million during the three months ended March 31, 2001, and additional charges of \$59 million during the three months ended June 30, 2001. This initiative involves the reduction of employee staff by approximately 1,300 positions throughout the Company in managerial, professional, clerical, technical and fulfillment roles; consolidation of its Seattle, Washington corporate office locations; closure of its McDonough, Georgia fulfillment center; seasonal operation of its Seattle, Washington fulfillment center; closure of its customer service centers in Seattle, Washington and The Hague, Netherlands; and migration of a large portion of its technology infrastructure to a Linux-based operating platform, which entails ongoing lease obligations for technology infrastructure no longer being utilized. Each component of the restructuring plan has been substantially completed as of June 30, 2001. As of June 30, 2001, 1,297 employees had been terminated, and actual termination benefits paid were \$11 million.

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Costs that relate to ongoing operations are not part of restructuring charges and are not included in "Restructuring-related and other." In accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force 96-9, "Classification of Inventory Markdowns and Other Costs Associated with a Restructuring," all inventory adjustments that may result from the closure or seasonal operation of our fulfillment centers are classified in "Cost of goods sold" on the consolidated statements of operations. As of June 30, 2001, there have been no significant inventory writedowns resulting from the restructuring, and none are anticipated.

The charges associated with the restructuring were as follows (in thousands):

	Months Ended June 30, 2001	Six Months Ended June 30, 2001
Asset impairments	\$ 7,225	\$ 65,973
Continuing lease obligations	49,713	84,005
Termination benefits Broker commissions, professional fees and other	(327)	14,761
miscellaneous restructuring costs	2,039	8,171
	\$58,650	\$172,910

Asset impairments primarily relate to the closure of the McDonough, Georgia fulfillment center, the write-off of leasehold improvements in vacated corporate office space, and the other-than-temporary decline in the fair value of assets in the Seattle, Washington fulfillment center. For assets to be disposed of, the Company estimated the fair value based on expected salvage value less costs to sell. For assets held for continued use, the decline in fair value was measured using discounted estimates of future cash flows. The Company is actively seeking third-party buyers for the assets held for disposal.

Continuing lease obligations primarily relate to heavy equipment previously used in the McDonough, Georgia fulfillment center, vacated corporate office space, technology infrastructure no longer being utilized, and the unutilized portion of our back-up data center. Where possible, the Company is actively seeking third parties to sub-lease abandoned equipment and facilities. Amounts expensed represent estimates of undiscounted future cash outflows, offset by anticipated third-party sub-leases. Amounts expensed during the second quarter of 2001 primarily relate to technology infrastructure no longer being utilized.

Termination benefits are comprised of severance-related payments for all employees to be terminated in connection with the operational restructuring, as well as \$2.5 million of the Company's common stock contributed to a trust fund for the benefit of terminated employees. Termination benefits do not include any amounts for employment-related services prior to termination. Other restructuring costs include professional fees, decommissioning costs of vacated facilities, broker commissions and other miscellaneous expenses directly attributable to the restructuring.

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At June 30, 2001, the accrued liability associated with the restructuring charges for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30, 2001 was \$85 million and consisted of the following (in thousands):

	Balance at March 31, 2001	Accruals	Non-Cash Settlements and Other Adjustments	Payments	Total	Due Within 12 Months	Due After 12 Months
Lease obligations Termination benefits Broker commissions, professional fees and other miscellaneous restructuring	\$34,667 8,445	\$49,713 —	\$(2,693) (2,449)	\$ (5,257) (4,663)	\$76,430 1,333	\$52,055 1,333	\$24,375 —
costs	4,121	1,996	1,559	(886)	6,790	5,376	1,414
	\$47,233	\$51,709	\$(3,583)	\$(10,806)	\$84,553	\$58,764	\$25,789

Note 7. Other Gains, Net

Other gains, net consisted of the following (in thousands):

	Ended June 30, 2001	Ended June 30, 2001
Contract termination, Kozmo.com	\$ —	\$ 22,400
Foreign-currency gain on PEACS	22,876	68,690
Foreign-currency losses on conversion of Euro-denominated		
investments	(6,216)	(6,216)
Other-than-temporary impairment losses, equity investments	(4,858)	(41,026)
Warrant remeasurements and other	(487)	1,324
	\$11,315	\$ 45,172

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Effective January 1, 2001, currency gains and losses arising from the remeasurement of the PEACS's principal from Euros to U.S. dollars each period are recorded to "Other gains, net." Prior to January 1, 2001, PEACS's principal of 615 million Euros was designated as a hedge of an equivalent amount of Euro-denominated investments classified as available-for-sale; accordingly, currency gains and losses on the PEACS were recorded to "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" as hedging offsets to currency gains and losses on the Euro-denominated investments. As the hedge does not qualify for hedge accounting under the provisions of SFAS 133, commencing January 1, 2001, the foreign currency change resulting from the portion of the PEACS previously hedging the available-for-sale securities is now being recorded in the statements of operations. During the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, the gain resulting from the remeasurement of the PEACS was \$23 million and \$69 million, respectively.

Effective February 5, 2001, the Company terminated its commercial agreement with Kozmo.com and recorded a non-cash gain of \$22 million, representing the amount of unearned revenue associated with the contract. Since services had not yet been performed under the contract, no amounts associated with this commercial agreement were recognized in "Net sales" during any period. Furthermore, during 1999, the Company made a cash investment of \$60 million to acquire preferred stock of Kozmo.com and accounted for its investment under the equity method of accounting. Pursuant to the equity method of accounting, the Company recorded its share of Kozmo.com losses, which, during 2000, reduced the Company's recorded basis in the investment to zero. Accordingly, when Kozmo.com announced its intentions to cease operations on April 12, 2001, the Company did not have any further loss exposure relating to its investment. The Company does not expect to recover any portion of its investment in Kozmo.com.

The Company also recorded impairment losses of \$5 million and \$41 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively, relating to other-than-temporary declines in the fair value of Webvan Group, Inc, Sotheby's Holdings, Inc., WeddingChannel.com, Ashford, Inc., and drugstore.com. These impairments were recorded to reflect the investments at fair value. As of June 30, 2001, the Company's recorded basis in its investment in Webvan Group, Inc. was reduced to zero as Webvan Group, Inc. ceased operations and announced their intentions to file for bankruptcy. The Company does not expect to recover any portion of its investment in Webvan Group, Inc.

No comparable amounts of other gains, net were recorded during the comparable periods of the prior year.

As of June 30, 2001, the Company's recorded basis in equity securities was \$50 million, including \$13 million classified as "Marketable

Note 8. Commitments and Contingencies

Legal Proceedings

During the first quarter of 2000, *Supnick v. Amazon.com and Alexa Internet* and four similar class action complaints were filed against the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary, Alexa Internet. The complaints, which were consolidated in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, alleged that Alexa Internet's tracking and storage of Internet Web usage paths violated federal and state statutes prohibiting computer fraud, unfair competition, and unauthorized interception of private electronic communications, as well as common law proscriptions against trespass and invasion of privacy. On or about April 20, 2001, the Court preliminarily approved a settlement of the consolidated class action. The settlement is subject to final approval by the Court and will not have a material effect on the results of operations or financial condition of the Company.

As previously reported, the Company has received informal inquiries from the Securities and Exchange Commission Staff ("SEC Staff") with respect to the Company's accounting treatment and disclosures for some of its initial strategic partner transactions and has been cooperating with the SEC Staff in responding to those inquiries. The Company has reviewed its accounting treatment for the transactions with the Company's independent auditors and the SEC Staff, and believes its accounting treatment and disclosures were appropriate.

On April 12, 2001 the Company received a request from the SEC Staff for the voluntary production of documents and information concerning, among other things, previously reported sales of the Company's common stock by Jeffrey Bezos on February 2 and 5, 2001. The Company is cooperating with the SEC Staff's continuing inquiry.

A number of purported class action complaints were filed by holders of Amazon.com equity and debt securities against the Company, its directors and certain of its senior officers during the six months ended June 30, 2001, in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, alleging that the defendants made false and misleading statements regarding the Company's financial and accounting disclosures in 2000 and early 2001, including disclosures regarding certain of the Company's strategic partner transactions. The complaints further allege that the defendants' conduct violated securities laws and seek compensatory damages and injunctive relief against all defendants. The Company disputes the allegations of wrongdoing in these complaints and intends to vigorously defend itself in these matters.

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Depending on the amount and the timing, an unfavorable resolution of some or all of these matters could materially affect the Company's business, future results of operations, financial position or cash flows in a particular period.

From time to time, the Company is subject to other legal proceedings and claims in the ordinary course of business, including claims of alleged infringement of trademarks, copyrights, patents and other intellectual property rights. The Company is not currently aware of any such legal proceedings or claims that it believes will have, individually or in the aggregate, a material adverse effect on its business, prospects, financial condition or operating results.

Note 9. Comprehensive Loss

The components of comprehensive loss were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Mor June	nths Ended e 30,	Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2001	2000	2001	2000	
Net Loss Other Comprehensive Loss:	\$(168,359)	\$(317,184)	\$(402,490)	\$(625,609)	
Cumulative effect of accounting change to adopt SFAS No. 133	_	_	(12,294)	_	
Reclassification of currency gains on PEACS Unrealized losses on Euro-based currency	(2.724)	_	(9,811)	_	
swap Unrealized losses on available-for-sale securities, net	(2,724)	(38,029)	(9,024) (48,960)	(82,979)	
Foreign currency translation gains (losses), net	(727)	(333)	(1,381)	24	
	\$(189,087)	\$(355,546)	\$(483,960)	\$(708,564)	

Activity in other comprehensive loss relating to the Euro-based currency swap was as follows (in thousands):

	Ended June 30, 2001	Ended June 30, 2001
Remeasurement of swap to fair value Reclassification of losses to offset currency gains on hedged portion of	\$(5,514)	\$(16,246)
PEACS	2,790	7,222
	\$(2,724)	\$ (9,024)

Note 10. Segment Information

In January 2001, the Company began presenting information to its chief operating decision maker in four segments: U.S. Books, Music and DVD/Video; U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen; Services and International. Accordingly, the Company is now disclosing its segment financial information along these lines. Allocation methodologies are consistent with past presentations, and prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform with current period presentation. The U.S. Books, Music and DVD/Video segment includes revenues, direct costs, and cost allocations associated with retail sales from www.amazon.com for books, music and DVD/video products, including amounts earned on sales of similar products sold through Amazon Marketplace and will include gross product revenue from the Company's forthcoming strategic alliance with Borders Group, Inc. The U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segment includes revenues, direct costs, and cost allocations associated with www.amazon.com retail sales of consumer electronics, camera and photo items, software, computer and video games, cell phones and related service, tools and hardware, outdoor living items, kitchen

and housewares products and toys sold other than through the Company's Toysrus.com strategic alliance and new initiatives. The U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segment also includes amounts earned on sales of similar products sold through Amazon Marketplace. The Services segment includes revenues, direct costs, and cost allocations associated with the Company's business-to-business strategic relationships, including the Company's strategic alliance with Toysrus.com, and miscellaneous advertising revenues, as well as amounts earned from Auctions, zShops and Payments. The International segment includes all revenues, direct costs, and cost allocations associated with the retail sales of the Company's four internationally-focused sites: www.amazon.co.uk, www.amazon.de, www.amazon.fr and www.amazon.co.jp.

Service revenues during the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001 related primarily to commercial agreements with Toysrus.com and drugstore.com. Included in service revenues are equity-based service revenues of \$8 million and \$20 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$17 million and \$37 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

The Company measures the results of operations of its reportable segments using a pro forma measure. Pro forma results from operations, which excludes stock-based compensation, amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, and restructuring-related and other charges are not in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Information on reportable segments and reconciliation to consolidated net loss is as follows (in thousands):

Three Months Ended June 30, 2001:

	U.S. Retail					
	Books, Music and DVD/Video	Electronics, Tools and Kitchen	Total	Services	International	Consolidated
Net sales Gross profit Pro forma income (loss) from operations Other non-cash and restructuring-related operating expenses Net interest expense and other Equity in losses of equity-method investees, net	\$389,723 110,844 38,967	\$110,957 13,159 (41,322)	\$500,680 124,003 (2,355)	\$38,599 26,352 4,339	\$128,346 29,365 (29,993)	\$ 667,625 179,720 (28,009) (111,831) (18,204) (10,315)
Net loss						\$(168,359)

Three Months Ended June 30, 2000:

	U.S. Retail					
	Books, Music and DVD/Video	Electronics, Tools and Kitchen	Total	Services	International	Consolidated
Net sales Gross profit Pro forma income (loss) from operations Other non-cash and restructuring-related operating expenses Net interest expense and other	\$385,275 86,862 10,056	\$ 91,755 6,249 (69,077)	\$477,030 93,111 (59,021)	\$27,453 26,667 4,175	\$ 73,393 16,286 (34,503)	\$ 577,876 136,064 (89,349) (91,028) (26,355)
Equity in losses of equity-method investees, net						(110,452)

Net loss \$(317,184)

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Six Months Ended June 30, 2001:

Net sales

Gross profit

principle

operating expenses Net interest expense and other

Pro forma income (loss) from operations

Other non-cash and restructuring-related

Equity in losses of equity-method investees,

Cumulative effect of change in accounting

	U.S. Retail				
Books, Music and DVD/Video	Electronics, Tools and Kitchen	Total	Services	International	Consolidated
\$799,309	\$227,464	\$1,026,773	\$80,757	\$260,451	\$1,367,981
219,963	30,379	250,342	54,560	57,415	362,317
66,592	(87,155)	(20,563)	8,515	(64,562)	(76,610)
					(279,838)
					(12,029)

(23.490)

(10,523)

\$ (402,490)

Six Months Ended June 30, 2000:

Net loss

	U.S. Retail					
	Books, Music and DVD/Video	Electronics, Tools and Kitchen	Total	Services	International	Consolidated
Net sales Gross profit Pro forma income (loss) from operations Other non-cash and restructuring-related operating expenses Net interest expense and other Equity in losses of equity-method investees, net	\$786,690 169,717 7,631	\$ 166,351 13,308 (136,326)	\$ 953,041 183,025 (128,695)	\$50,199 48,851 2,031	\$148,525 32,322 (61,951)	\$1,151,765 264,198 (188,615) (189,654) (48,624) (198,716)
Net loss						\$ (625,609)

Note 11. Subsequent Events

On July 23, 2001, America Online made a \$100 million investment in Amazon.com common stock. The common stock will be priced at the lower of \$15.282 per share and the average closing price per share of Amazon.com common stock from July 24, 2001 to July 30, 2001. The common stock was sold under a registration statement that Amazon.com previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Also, the Company's platform services group entered into a multi-year strategic alliance with America Online to develop and offer an enhanced online shopping experience for America Online users.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF ITEM 2. **OPERATIONS**

Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than statements of historical fact, including statements regarding industry prospects and future results of operations or financial position, made in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are forward looking. We use words such as anticipates, believes, expects, future, intends and similar expressions to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements reflect management's current expectations and are inherently uncertain. Our actual results may differ significantly from management's expectations. The following discussion includes forward-looking statements regarding expectations of future pro forma operating profitability, net sales, gross margin, certain operating expenses, operating loss, and cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities balances, all of which are inherently difficult to predict. Actual results could differ significantly for a variety of reasons, including the rate of growth of net sales by the Company and of the Internet, online commerce and the U.S. and global economies in general, the amount that we invest in new business opportunities and the timing of those investments, customer spending patterns, the mix of products sold to customers, the mix of revenues derived from product sales as compared to services, risks of inventory management, foreign currency exchange risks, and risks of distribution and fulfillment throughput and productivity. These risks and uncertainties, as well as other risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ significantly

from management's expectations, are described in greater detail in the section entitled "Additional Factors That May Affect Future Results," which, along with the following discussion, describes some, but not all, of the factors that could cause actual results to differ significantly from management's expectations.

Recent Events

On July 23, 2001, America Online made a \$100 million investment in Amazon.com common stock. The common stock will be priced at the lower of \$15.282 per share and the average closing price per share of Amazon.com common stock from July 24, 2001 to July 30, 2001. The common stock was sold under a registration statement that Amazon.com previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Also, the Company's platform services group entered into a multi-year strategic alliance with America Online to develop and offer an enhanced online shopping experience for America Online users.

Results of Operations

Net Sales

Net sales includes the selling price of consumer products sold by us, less promotional gift certificates and sales returns; outbound shipping charges billed to our customers; service revenues earned in connection with our business-to-business strategic relationships; and commissions earned from our Amazon Marketplace, Auctions, zShops, Payments and other service initiatives.

Net sales were \$668 million and \$578 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$1.4 billion and \$1.2 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, representing an increase of 16% and 19%, respectively. Increases in absolute dollars of net sales during the three and six-months ended June 30, 2001 are primarily due to increased unit sales in our International and U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segments, enhancements and additions to our product offerings, and increases in our service revenues.

Net sales for our U.S. Books, Music and DVD/Video segment were \$390 million and \$385 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$799 million and \$787 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Included in net sales for this segment are sales of consumer products and related shipping charges for our books, music and DVD/video products sold through www.amazon.com, including amounts earned on sales of similar products sold through Amazon Marketplace, and will include gross product revenue from our forthcoming strategic alliance with Borders Group, Inc. The growth rate in comparison to the corresponding three-month and six-month periods in the prior year for the U.S. Books, Music and DVD/Video segment was 1% and 2%, respectively. The growth rates reflect several factors, including the increasing revenue base of this segment, a shift in the source of our product sales towards used-products sold through Amazon Marketplace, a continuing focus on balancing revenue growth with operating profitability, and a general slowdown in consumer spending.

Net sales for our U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segment were \$111 million and \$92 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$227 million and \$166 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Included in net sales for this segment are sales of consumer products and related shipping charges for our consumer electronics, camera and photo items, software, computer and video games, tools and hardware, outdoor living items, kitchen and houseware products and cell phones and service sold through www.amazon.com, and toys sold other than through our strategic alliance with Toysrus.com. The U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segment also includes amounts earned on sales of similar products sold through Amazon Marketplace. The growth rate in comparison to the corresponding three-month and six-month periods in the prior year for the U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segment was 21% and 37%, respectively. Included in the prior year comparative periods were Internet-related product sales of toys and video games, product lines that were largely discontinued in connection with our strategic alliance with Toysrus.com. Growth in net sales for our U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segment reflects increases in units sold by our electronics and home improvement stores in comparison with the same periods in 2000.

Net sales for our Services segment were \$39 million and \$27 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$81 million and \$50 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000 respectively. Net sales for our Services segment include amounts earned in connection with our business-to-business strategic relationships, as well as amounts earned through Auctions, zShops and Payments. The growth rate in comparison to the corresponding three-month and six-month periods in the prior year for the Services segment was 41% and 61%, respectively, which is related primarily to our business-to-business strategic relationship with Toysrus.com. Included in service revenues are equity-based service revenues of \$8 million and \$20 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$17 million and \$37 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Equity-based service revenues result from private and public securities received and amortized into results of operations. In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, the fair value of securities received is generally determined at the date the related commercial agreement is first entered into; revenue is generally recognized over the corresponding service periods based on initial valuations, and is not adjusted due to fluctuations in the fair value of the securities. However, if securities received after March 16, 2000, including any securities we may receive in the future, are subject to forfeiture or vesting provisions and no significant performance commitment exists upon signing of the related commercial agreement, the fair value is determined as of the date the respective forfeiture or vesting provisions lapse, pursuant to Emerging Issues Task Force Issue 00-8, "Accounting by a Grantee for an Equity Instrument to Be Received in Conjunction with Providing Goods or Services."

Net sales for our International segment were \$128 million and \$73 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$260 million and \$149 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Net sales in this segment were comprised primarily of books, music and DVD/video consumer product sales and related shipping charges to our customers sold through

www.amazon.co.uk, www.amazon.de, www.amazon.fr and www.amazon.co.jp Web sites, including their export sales into the United States, and also includes sales of our newly-opened consumer electronics stores at www.amazon.co.uk and www.amazon.de . The growth in our International segment was 75% for the corresponding three-month and six-month periods in the prior year, which reflects a significant increase in units sold by our www.amazon.de and www.amazon.co.uk sites, as well as the launch of our new www.amazon.fr and www.amazon.co.jp sites during the second half of 2000. Sales to customers outside the United States, including export sales from www.amazon.com , represented, as a percentage of consolidated net sales, approximately 28% and 23% for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and 27% and 23% for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

Shipping revenue across all segments was \$76 million and \$73 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$159 million and \$148 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Increases in shipping revenue in 2001 correspond with increases in unit sales, offset by our periodic free and reduced shipping promotions.

We expect net sales to be between \$625 million and \$675 million for the quarter ending September 30, 2001, and for the fourth quarter ending December 31, 2001, we expect net sales to increase between 10% and 20% in comparison with the comparable period in the prior year. However, any such projections are subject to substantial uncertainty. See the section entitled "Additional Factors That May Affect Future Results."

Gross Profit

Gross profit is net sales less the cost of sales, which consists of the purchase price of consumer products sold by us, inbound and outbound shipping charges, packaging supplies, and costs associated with our service revenues. Costs associated with our service revenues include employee costs associated with the creation and maintenance of content for co-branded Web sites, fulfillment-related costs to ship products on behalf of our service partners, and other associated costs.

Gross profit was \$180 million and \$136 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$362 million and \$264 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, representing an increase of 32% and 37%, respectively. Increases in absolute dollars of gross profit during the three and six month periods in 2001 primarily reflect improvements in inventory management and product sourcing, and increases in our service revenues from strategic partners. Excluding the results of our Services segment, gross margin would have been 24% and 20% for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, as compared with an overall gross margin would have been 24% and 20% for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, as compared with an overall gross margin of 26% and 23%, respectively.

Gross profit for our U.S. Books, Music and DVD/video segment was \$111 million and \$87 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$220 million and \$170 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, which represents increases of 28% and 30%, respectively. Gross margin was 28% and 23% for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and 28% and 22% for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Improvements in gross margin primarily reflect our efforts to improve product sourcing as we continued to increase the percentage of products sourced directly from publishers, a favorable mix in customer discounts and lower inventory charges as a percent of sales, and to a lesser extent the higher margin sales of units sold through Amazon Marketplace.

Gross profit for our U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segment was \$13 million and \$6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$30 million and \$13 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, which represents increases of 111% and 128%, respectively. Gross margin was 12% and 7% for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and 13% and 8% for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Improvements in gross margin over the corresponding periods of the prior year primarily reflect our efforts to improve sourcing arrangements, the introduction of new product categories, and through improved inventory management.

Gross profit for our Services segment was \$26 million and \$27 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$55 million and \$49 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, which represents a decline of 1% and an increase of 12%, respectively. Gross margin was 68% and 97% for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and 68% and 97% for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The decline in service margin for each of the comparable periods in the current year relates primarily to ongoing costs associated with our strategic relationship with Toysrus.com. Gross profit from our Services segment largely corresponds with revenues earned from our business-to-business strategic relationships, as well as amounts earned through Auctions, zShops and Payments. Included in service revenues are equity-based service revenues of \$8 million and \$20 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, and \$17 million and \$37 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000. Equity-based service revenues are associated with private and public securities received and amortized into results of operations.

Gross profit for our International segment was \$29 million and \$16 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$57 million and \$32 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, which represents increases of 80% and 78%, respectively. Gross margin was 23% and 22% for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and 22% for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000. The increase in our absolute gross profit dollars reflects a significant increase in units sold by our www.amazon.co.uk sites in comparison with the same periods in the prior year, as well as the launch of our new www.amazon.co.ip sites during the second half of 2000.

Shipping gross loss was \$2 million and shipping gross profit was \$7 million during the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and shipping gross loss was \$6 million and shipping gross profit was \$7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The gross loss in shipping in the three month and six month periods of 2001 was due, in part, to a higher revenue mix from our

business units in countries that offer free-shipping or product lines that involve low margin shipping, as well as selective free-shipping promotions in the U.S.; well-publicized rate increases and fuel-surcharges from our major suppliers; as well as costs associated with split and long-zone shipments. We continue to measure our shipping results relative to their impact on our overall financial results, and we will from time to time continue offering shipping promotions to our customers and may continue to experience fluctuating margins from shipping activities.

We expect our overall gross margin to be between 24% and 27% of net sales for the quarter ending September 30, 2001. However, any such projections are subject to substantial uncertainty. See the section entitled "Additional Factors That May Affect Future Results."

Fulfillment

Fulfillment costs represent those costs incurred in operating and staffing our fulfillment and customer service centers, including costs attributable to receiving, inspecting and warehousing inventories; picking, packaging and preparing customers' orders for shipment; credit card fees and bad debt costs; and responding to inquiries from customers. Fulfillment costs were \$86 million and \$88 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, representing 13% and 15% of net sales for the corresponding periods. Fulfillment costs were \$184 million and \$187 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, representing 13% and 16% of net sales for the corresponding periods, respectively. Excluding net sales from our services segment, fulfillment costs represent 14% and 16% of net sales for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and 14% and 17% of net sales for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000. We expect our fulfillment costs to further decline due to our continued efforts to improve operational efficiency. However, any such projections are subject to substantial uncertainty. See the section entitled "Additional Factors That May Affect Future Results."

Marketing

Marketing expenses consist of advertising, promotional and public relations expenditures, and payroll and related expenses for personnel engaged in marketing and selling activities. Marketing expenses, net of co-operative marketing reimbursements, were \$35 million and \$42 million, representing 5% and 7% of net sales, for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$71 million and \$83 million, representing 5% and 7% of net sales, for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

Technology and Content

Technology and content expenses consist principally of payroll and related expenses for development, editorial, systems and telecommunications operations personnel and consultants; systems and telecommunications infrastructure; and costs of acquired content, including freelance reviews. Technology and content expense was \$65 million and \$67 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, representing 10% and 12% of net sales for the corresponding periods, respectively, and \$135 million and \$128 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, representing 10% and 11% of net sales for the corresponding periods, respectively. The increase in absolute dollars spent during the six months ended June 30, 2001 primarily reflects our on-going enhancements to the features, content and functionality of our Web sites and transaction-processing systems, as well as increased investment in systems and telecommunications infrastructure. These increases were also attributable to our new product offerings and worldwide expansions of existing product offerings, as well as costs associated with our www.amazon.fr and www.amazon.co.jp sites, which were launched during the second half of 2000. We expect to continue to invest in technology and improvements in our Web sites during the remainder of 2001, which may include, but is not limited to, offering additional product categories to our customers, as well as potentially continuing our international expansion.

General and Administrative

General and administrative expenses consist of payroll and related expenses for executive, finance and administrative personnel, recruiting, professional fees and other general corporate expenses. General and administrative expenses were \$23 million and \$28 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, representing 3% and 5% of net sales for the corresponding periods, respectively, and \$49 million and \$55 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, representing 4% and 5% of net sales for the corresponding periods, respectively. The decline in absolute dollars of general and administrative costs was primarily due to our operational restructuring plan, which reduced the number of positions in finance and administrative roles and consolidated our corporate office locations.

Stock-Based Compensation

During the first quarter of 2001, we offered a limited non-compulsory exchange of employee stock options. The exchange resulted in the voluntary cancellation of employee stock options to purchase 31 million shares of common stock with varying exercise prices in exchange for 12 million employee stock options with an exercise price of \$13.375. The option exchange offer resulted in variable accounting treatment for, at the time of the exchange, approximately 15 million stock options, which includes options granted under the exchange offer and all options, with a weighted average exercise price of \$52.41, that were subject to the exchange offer but were not exchanged. Variable accounting will continue until all options subject to variable accounting treatment are exercised, cancelled or expired. At June 30, 2001, approximately 13 million shares remain under variable accounting treatment, which includes 12 million options granted under the exchange offer and all other options, with a weighted average exercise price of \$47.61, that were subject to the exchange offer but were not exchanged. Variable accounting treatment will result in unpredictable charges or credits, recorded to "Stock-based compensation," dependent on fluctuations in quoted prices for our common stock.

Stock-based compensation includes stock-based charges resulting from variable accounting treatment, option-related deferred compensation recorded at our initial public offering, as well as certain other compensation and severance arrangements. Stock-based compensation also includes the portion of acquisition-related consideration conditioned on the continued tenure of key employees of certain acquired businesses, which must be classified as compensation expense rather than as a component of purchase price under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Stock-based compensation was \$2 million and \$8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$5 million and \$22 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The declines in stock-based compensation during the three and six months ended June 30, 2001 resulted from the full vesting and corresponding full amortization of deferred stock-based compensation by employees associated with certain acquired businesses and the termination of certain acquisition-related employees prior to vesting in stock-based compensation awards, which had the effect of reducing stock-based compensation in comparison with the same periods in the prior year. Stock-based compensation related to variable accounting treatment was \$4 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001.

As of June 30, 2001, the number of shares of common stock subject to vested and unvested employee stock options was approximately 42 million, or 12% of our outstanding common stock.

Amortization of Goodwill and Other Intangibles

Amortization of goodwill and other intangibles was \$51 million and \$80 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$102 million and \$163 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. During the fourth quarter of 2000, we recorded an impairment on goodwill and other intangibles relating to certain of our 1999 acquisitions. This impairment loss reduced our recorded basis in goodwill and other intangibles and had the effect of reducing amortization expense during the three month and six month periods ended June 30, 2001, and will continue to reduce the amortization expense, relating to these 1999 acquisitions, going forward. In July 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued SFAS No. 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" which requires use of a nonamortization approach to account for purchased goodwill and certain intangibles, effective January 1, 2002. Under this nonamortization approach, goodwill and certain intangibles will not be amortized into results of operations, but instead will be reviewed for impairment and written down and charged to results of operations only in the periods in which the recorded value of goodwill and certain intangibles is more than its fair value. We expect the adoption of this accounting standard will have the impact of reducing our amortization of goodwill and intangibles commencing January 1, 2002; however, impairment reviews may result in future periodic write-downs.

Restructuring-related and other

Restructuring-related and other expenses were \$59 million and \$2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$173 million and \$4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. In the first quarter of 2001, we announced and began implementation of our operational restructuring plan to reduce our operating costs, streamline our organizational structure, and consolidate certain of our fulfillment and customer service operations. As a result of this operational restructuring, we recorded restructuring and other charges of \$114 million during the three months ended March 31, 2001, and additional charges of \$59 million during the three months ended June 30, 2001. This initiative involves the reduction of employee staff by approximately 1,300 positions throughout the Company in managerial, professional, clerical, technical and fulfillment roles; consolidation of our Seattle, Washington corporate office locations; closure of our McDonough, Georgia fulfillment center; seasonal operation of our Seattle, Washington fulfillment center; closure of our customer service centers in Seattle, Washington and The Hague, Netherlands; and migration of a large portion of our technology infrastructure to a Linux-based operating platform, which entails ongoing lease obligations for technology infrastructure no longer being utilized. Each component of the restructuring plan has been substantially completed as of June 30, 2001. As of June 30, 2001, 1,297 employees had been terminated, and actual termination benefits paid were \$11 million.

Costs that relate to ongoing operations are not part of restructuring charges and are not included in "Restructuring-related and other." In accordance with EITF 96-9, "Classification of Inventory Markdowns and Other Costs Associated with a Restructuring," all inventory adjustments that may result from the closure or seasonal operation of our fulfillment centers are classified in "Cost of goods sold" on the consolidated statements of operations. As of June 30, 2001, there have been no significant inventory writedowns resulting from the restructuring, and none are anticipated.

The charges associated with our restructuring were as follows (in thousands):

	June 30, 2001	June 30, 2001
Asset impairments	\$ 7,225	\$ 65,973
Continuing lease obligations	49,713	84,005
Termination benefits	(327)	14,761
Broker commissions, professional fees and other miscellaneous		
restructuring costs	2,039	8,171
	\$58,650	\$172,910

Asset impairments primarily relate to the closure of the McDonough, Georgia fulfillment center, the write-off of leasehold improvements in vacated corporate office space, and the other-than-temporary decline in the fair value of assets in the Seattle, Washington fulfillment center. For assets to be disposed of, we estimated the fair value based on expected salvage value less costs to sell. For assets held for continued use, the

decline in fair value was measured using discounted estimates of future cash flows. We are actively seeking third-party buyers for the assets held for disposal.

Continuing lease obligations primarily relate to heavy equipment previously used in the McDonough, Georgia fulfillment center, vacated corporate office space, technology infrastructure no longer being utilized, and the unutilized portion of our back-up data center. Where possible, we are actively seeking third-parties to sub-lease abandoned equipment and facilities. Amounts expensed represent estimates of undiscounted future cash outflows, offset by anticipated third-party sub-leases. Amounts expensed during the second quarter of 2001 primarily relate to technology infrastructure no longer being utilized.

Termination benefits are comprised of severance-related payments for all employees terminated in connection with the operational restructuring, as well as \$2.5 million of the Company's common stock contributed to a trust fund for the benefit of terminated employees. Termination benefits do not include any amounts for employment-related services prior to termination. Other restructuring costs include professional fees, decommissioning costs of vacated facilities, broker commissions and other miscellaneous expenses directly attributable to the restructuring.

Cash payments resulting from the restructuring during the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001 were \$11 million and \$20 million, respectively. We anticipate the restructuring charges will result in the following net cash outflows (in thousands):

	Leases	Termination Benefits	Other	Total
Year Ending December 31,				
2001	\$35,678	\$12,108	\$4,630	\$ 52,416
2002	34,059	78	3,538	37,675
2003	4,643	_	_	4,643
2004	1,589	_		1,589
2005	1,563	_		1,563
Thereafter	6,473	_	_	6,473
Total estimated cash outflows	\$84,005	\$12,186	\$8,168	\$104,359

Loss from Operations

Our loss from operations was \$140 million and \$180 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$356 million and \$378 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Excluding the restructuring-related charges included in "Restructuring-related and other," our loss from operations would have been \$81 million and \$184 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively. Excluding the restructuring-related charges, the improvement in operating loss in comparison with the prior periods was primarily due to increases in gross profit dollars, declines in non-cash charges such as amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, and a reduction in marketing-related expenditures.

Net Interest Expense and Other

Net interest expense and other, excluding "Other gains, net," was \$30 million and \$26 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$57 million and \$49 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Interest income was \$7 million and \$10 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$17 million and \$20 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Interest expense was \$35 million and \$33 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$69 million and \$61 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000. Other income and expense, consisting primarily of realized gains and losses on sales of marketable securities, miscellaneous operating taxes and certain realized foreign-currency related transactional gains and losses, was a net expense of \$1 million and \$3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and expenses of \$5 million and \$8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Interest income relates primarily to interest earned on fixed income securities and correlates with the average balance of those investments. The increase in interest expense during the six month period ended June 30, 2001 over the same period for 2000 is primarily related to our February 2000 issuance of 690 million Euros of 6.875% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2010 (the "PEACS"). Other components of interest expense include our February 1999 issuance of \$1.25 billion of 4.75% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2009 (the "4.75% Convertible Subordinated Notes"), and our May 1998 issuance of approximately \$326 million gross proceeds of 10% Senior Discount Notes due 2008 (the "Senior Discount Notes").

Other Gains, net

Other gains, net were recorded for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001 and resulted in net gains of \$11 million and \$45 million, respectively. Other gains, net consisted of the following (in thousands):

Three Months Ended	Six Months Ended		
June 30, 2001	June 30, 2001		
\$ —	\$ 22,400		

Foreign-currency gain on PEACS Foreign-currency losses on conversion of Euro-denominated	22,876	68,690
investments	(6,216)	(6,216)
Other-than-temporary impairment losses, equity investments	(4,858)	(41,026)
Warrant remeasurements and other	(487)	1,324
	\$11,315	\$ 45,172

Effective January 1, 2001, currency gains and losses arising from the remeasurement of the PEACS's principal from Euros to U.S. dollars each period are recorded to "Other gains, net." Prior to January 1, 2001, PEACS's principal of 615 million Euros was designated as a hedge of an equivalent amount of Euro-denominated investments classified as available-for-sale; accordingly, currency gains and losses on the PEACS were recorded to "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" as hedging offsets to currency gains and losses on the Euro-denominated investments. As the hedge does not qualify for hedge accounting under the provisions of SFAS 133, commencing January 1, 2001, the foreign currency change resulting from the portion of the PEACS previously hedging the available-for-sale securities is now being recorded in the statements of operations. During the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, the gain resulting from the remeasurement of the PEACS was \$23 million and \$69 million, respectively.

On February 5, 2001, we terminated our commercial agreement with Kozmo.com and recorded a non-cash gain of \$22 million, representing the amount of unearned revenue associated with the contract. Since services had not yet been performed under the contract, no amounts associated with this commercial agreement were recognized in "Net sales" during any period. Furthermore, during 1999, we made a cash investment of \$60 million to acquire preferred stock of Kozmo.com and accounted for our investment under the equity method of accounting. Pursuant to the equity method of accounting, we recorded our share of Kozmo.com losses, which, during 2000, reduced our basis in the investment to zero. Accordingly, when Kozmo.com announced its intentions to cease operations on April 12, 2001, we did not have any further loss exposure relating to our investment. We do not expect to recover any portion of our investment in Kozmo.com.

We also recorded impairment losses of \$5 million and \$41 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively, relating to other-than-temporary declines in the fair value of Webvan Group, Inc, Sotheby's Holdings, Inc., WeddingChannel.com, Inc. Ashford, Inc., and drugstore.com, inc. These impairments were recorded to reflect the investments at fair value. As of June 30, 2001, our recorded basis in our investment in Webvan Group, Inc. was reduced to zero as Webvan Group, Inc. ceased operations and announced their intentions to file for Bankruptcy. The Company does not expect to recover any portion of its investment in Webvan Group, Inc.

No comparable amounts were recorded to other gains, net during the comparable periods of the prior year.

As of June 30, 2001, our recorded basis in equity securities was \$50 million, including \$13 million classified as "Marketable securities," \$12 million classified as "Investments in equity-method investees," and \$25 million classified as "Other equity investments."

Equity in Losses of Equity-Method Investees

Equity in losses of equity-method investees represents our share of losses of companies in which we have investments that give us the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control, over an investee. This is generally defined as an ownership interest of the voting stock of the investee of between 20% and 50%, although other factors, such as representation on our investee's Board of Directors and the impact of commercial arrangements, are considered in determining whether the equity method of accounting is appropriate. Our share of equity-method losses was \$10 million and \$110 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$23 million and \$199 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Equity-method losses reduce our underlying investment balances until the recorded basis is reduced to zero. As of June 30, 2001, our basis in equity-method investments was \$12 million. No cash investments have been made in equity-method investees during 2001. Accordingly, as equity-method losses are only recorded until the underlying investments are reduced to zero, we expect, absent additional investments in the voting stock of third parties, equity-method losses to continue to decline during the remainder of 2001.

Income Taxes

We provided for an immaterial amount of current and deferred U.S. federal, state or foreign income taxes for the current and prior period. We provided a full valuation allowance on our deferred tax asset, consisting primarily of net operating losses, because of uncertainty regarding its realization.

Pro Forma Results of Operations

We provide certain pro forma information regarding our results from operations, which excludes stock-based compensation, amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, and restructuring-related and other charges. We also provide certain pro forma information regarding our net loss, which excludes other gains, net; equity in losses of equity-method investees, net; cumulative effect of change in accounting principle; and amounts excluded from pro forma operating results. This pro forma information is not presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Pro forma results, and certain cash flow information for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000 were as follows (in thousands,

Three Months Ended June 30, 2001 Three Months Ended June 30, 2000

	As Reported	Pro Forma Adjustments	Pro Forma	As Reported	Pro Forma Adjustments	Pro Forma
Net sales	\$ 667,625	* —	\$667,625	\$ 577,876	* —	\$ 577,876
Cost of sales	487,905		487,905	441,812		441,812
Gross profit Operating expenses:	179,720		179,720	136,064	_	136,064
Fulfillment	85,583	_	85,583	87,597	_	87,597
Marketing	34,658	_	34,658	42,216	_	42,216
Technology and content	64,710	_	64,710	67,132	_	67,132
General and administrative	22,778	_	22,778	28,468	_	28,468
Stock-based compensation	2,351	(2,351)	_	8,166	(8,166)	_
Amortization of goodwill and other intangibles	50,830	(50,830)	_	80,413	(80,413)	_
Restructuring-related and other	58,650	(58,650)	_	2,449	(2,449)	_
Total operating expenses	319,560	(111,831)	207,729	316,441	(91,028)	225,413
Loss from operations	(139,840)	111,831	(28,009)	(180,377)	91,028	(89,349)
Interest income	6,807		6,807	10,314	J1,020 —	10,314
Interest expense	(35,148)	_	(35,148)	(33,397)	_	(33,397)
Other expense, net	(1,178)	_	(1,178)	(3,272)	_	(3,272)
Other gains, net	11,315	(11,315)	_	_	_	_
Net interest expense and other	(18,204)	(11,315)	(29,519)	(26,355)		(26,355)
Loss before equity in losses of equity-method						
investees	(158,044)	100,516	(57,528)	(206,732)	91,028	(115,704)
Equity in losses of equity-method investees, net	(10,315)	10,315	_	(110,452)	110,452	_
Net loss	\$(168,359)	\$ 110,831	\$(57,528)	\$(317,184)	\$201,480	\$(115,704)
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 2,485		\$ 2,485	\$ (54,029)		\$ (54,029)
Basic and diluted loss per share:	\$ (0.47)		\$ (0.16)	\$ (0.91)		\$ (0.33)
Shares used in computation of basic and diluted loss per share	359,752		359,752	349,886		349,886

Pro forma results, and certain cash flow information for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000 were as follows (in thousands, except per share data):

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2001			Six Months Ended June 30, 2000		
	As Reported	Pro Forma Adjustments	Pro Forma	As Reported	Pro Forma Adjustments	Pro Forma
Net sales	\$1,367,981	* —	\$1,367,981	\$1,151,765	\$ —	\$1,151,765
Cost of sales	1,005,664	· —	1,005,664	887,567	· —	887,567
Gross profit	362,317		362,317	264,198		264,198
Operating expenses:	302,317		302,317	204,170		204,170
Fulfillment	183,831	_	183,831	187,060	_	187,060
Marketing	71,296	_	71,296	82,864	_	82,864
Technology and content	134,994	_	134,994	128,376	_	128,376
General and administrative	48,806	_	48,806	54,513	_	54,513
Stock-based compensation	5,267	(5,267)	_	21,818	(21,818)	·—
Amortization of goodwill and other						
intangibles	101,661	(101,661)	_	163,368	(163,368)	_
Restructuring-related and other	172,910	(172,910)	_	4,468	(4,468)	_
Total operating expenses	718,765	(279,838)	438,927	642,467	(189,654)	452,813
Loss from operations	(356,448)	279,838	(76,610)	(378,269)	189,654	(188,615)
Interest income	16,757	_	16,757	20,440	_	20,440
Interest expense	(68,896)	_	(68,896)	(61,018)	_	(61,018)
Other expense, net	(5,062)	_	(5,062)	(8,046)		(8,046)
Other gains, net	45,172	(45,172)	_	_		_
Net interest expense and other	(12,029)	(45,172)	(57,201)	(48,624)		(48,624)
Loss before equity in losses of equity-method Investees	(368,477)	234,666	(133,811)	(426,893)	189,654	(237,239)
Equity in losses of equity-method investees, net	(23,490)	23,490		(198,716)	198,716	

Net loss before change in accounting principle Cumulative effect of change in accounting	(391,967)	258,156	(133,811)	(625,609)	388,370	(237,239)
principle	(10,523)	10,523				
Net loss	\$ (402,490)	\$ 268,679	\$ (133,811)	\$ (625,609)	\$ 388,370	\$ (237,239)
Cash used in operating activities	\$ (404,499)		\$ (404,499)	\$ (374,407)		\$ (374,407)
Basic and diluted loss per share: Prior to cumulative effect of change in accounting principle Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ (1.09) (0.03) \$ (1.12)		\$ (0.37) — \$ (0.37)	\$ (1.80) — \$ (1.80)		\$ (0.68) — \$ (0.68)
Shares used in computation of basic and diluted loss per share	358,595		358,595	346,680		346,680

We are providing pro forma results for informational purposes only. The pro forma results are derived from information recorded in our financial statements.

We expect pro forma operating losses in absolute dollars to be approximately flat to very slightly down for the quarter ending September 30, 2001 in comparison with the quarter ended June 30, 2001. We also expect pro forma operating profitability for the quarter ending December 31, 2001. However, any such projections are subject to substantial uncertainty. See the section entitled "Additional Factors That May Affect Future Results."

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our cash and cash equivalents balance was \$463 million and \$822 million, and our marketable securities balance was \$146 million and \$278 million at June 30, 2001 and December 31, 2000, respectively.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and cash used by operating activities for the six months ended June 30, 2001 was \$404 million. These operating cash flows resulted from our net loss of \$168 million and \$402 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively, and by net non-cash charges and changes in operating assets and liabilities. For the three months ended June 30, 2001, net non-cash charges were \$54 million and changes in operating assets and liabilities provided \$116 million. For the six months ended June 30, 2001, net non-cash charges were \$156 million, and cash used from changes in operating assets and liabilities was \$158 million. Cash used in operating activities was \$54 million and \$374 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2000.

Net cash provided by investing activities was \$30 million and \$74 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively. For the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, investing cash flows consisted of net sales of marketable securities of \$40 million and \$104 million, respectively, and purchases of fixed assets of \$10 million and \$30 million, respectively. Net cash provided by investing activities for the six months ended June 30, 2000 was \$287 million, which related primarily to net sales of marketable securities of \$399 million, offset by purchases of fixed assets of \$55 million and purchases of strategic investments of \$56 million.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$4 million and \$15 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively, and related primarily to proceeds from exercises of stock options, offset by repayments of long-term capital lease obligations. Net cash provided by financing activities of \$691 million for the six months ended June 30, 2000 was primarily related to our issuance of 690 million Euros of PEACS, net of financing costs.

Cash equivalents and marketable securities were reduced by \$25 million and \$57 million during the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001 primarily from the impact of foreign exchange rate fluctuations on our Euro-denominated investments.

As of June 30, 2001, our principal sources of liquidity consisted of \$609 million of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities. As of that date, our principal commitments consisted of long-term obligations totaling \$2.1 billion related primarily to our 6.875% PEACS, 4.75% Convertible Subordinated Notes and Senior Discount Notes, as well as \$0.8 billion in obligations related to operating leases, trade payables, and commitments for advertising and promotional arrangements.

We believe that current cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities balances will be sufficient to meet our anticipated operating cash needs for at least the next 12 months. Including amounts received from recent financing activities, we expect that our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities balance will be over \$600 million at September 30, 2001 and approximately \$900 million at December 31, 2001. However, any projections of future cash needs and cash flows are subject to substantial uncertainty. See "Additional Factors that May Affect Future Results." We continually evaluate opportunities to sell additional equity or debt securities, obtain credit facilities from lenders, or restructure our long-term debt for strategic reasons or to further strengthen our financial position. The sale of additional equity or convertible debt securities could result in additional dilution to the Company's stockholders. In addition, we will, from time to time, consider the acquisition of or investment in complementary businesses, products, services and technologies, and the repurchase and retirement of debt, which might impact our liquidity requirements or cause us to issue additional equity or debt securities. There can be no assurance that financing

will be available in amounts or on terms acceptable to us, if at all.

Strategic Alliances

In the fall of 1999, we began entering into commercial agreements with select strategic partners that involve the sale of their products and services on co-branded sections of our Web site as well as other promotional services, such as advertising placements and customer referrals. As compensation for the services we provide under these agreements, we receive cash, equity securities of these strategic partners, or a combination of the two. In some cases, we have also made separate investments in these partners by making cash payments in exchange for their equity securities. We received cash payments or recorded cash receivables of \$25 million and \$43 million as unearned revenue for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively. Equity securities in the amount of \$331 thousand were received during the first quarter of 2001 as compensation for current and future services; no similar arrangements occurred during the second quarter of 2001. Service revenue was \$39 million and \$27 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$81 million and \$50 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Included in service revenues are equity-based service revenues of \$8 million and \$20 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and \$17 million and \$37 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Equity-based service revenues result from private and public securities received and amortized into results of operations.

For equity securities of public companies, we generally determine fair value based on the quoted market price at the time we enter into the underlying commercial agreement, and adjust such market price appropriately if significant restrictions on marketability exist. Because an observable market price does not exist for equity securities of private companies, our estimates of fair value of such securities are more subjective than for the securities of public companies. For significant transactions involving equity securities in private companies, we obtain and consider independent, third-party valuations where appropriate. Such valuations use a variety of methodologies to estimate fair value, including comparing the security with securities of publicly traded companies in similar lines of business, applying price multiples to estimated future operating results for the private company, and utilizing estimated discounted cash flows for that company. These valuations also reduce the otherwise fair value by a factor that is intended to account for restrictions on control and marketability where appropriate. Using these valuations and other information available to us, such as our knowledge of the industry and knowledge of specific information about the investee, we determine the estimated fair value of the securities received.

The fair value of these securities, less the net amount of cash we paid for them, is then recorded as unearned revenue. Our recorded unearned revenue resulting from these transactions and any additional proceeds received under the arrangements is recognized as revenue over the terms (generally, one to three years) of the commercial agreements with our strategic partners. Pursuant to Emerging Issues Task Force Issue 00-8, "Accounting by a Grantee for an Equity Instrument to Be Received in Conjunction with Providing Goods or Services," we do not adjust unearned revenue to give effect to either increase or decrease in value of the equity securities subsequent to their initial measurement (to the extent that such securities are either not subject to vesting or forfeiture or, if subject to vesting or forfeiture were not received or modified after March 16, 2000). Therefore, the value of equity securities recorded as unearned revenue could decline in value significantly after the initial measurement is made. We have in the past, and may in the future, experience losses with respect to investments in strategic partners that are not equity method investees as a result of either liquidation of such investments at a loss or provision for an other-than-temporary decline in the fair value of these investments. See "Other Gains, net." In addition, we have in the past, and may in the future, amend our agreements with certain of our strategic partners to reduce future cash proceeds to be received by us, shorten the term of our commercial agreements, or both. Although these amendments did not impact the amount of unearned revenue previously recorded by us, the timing of revenue recognition of these recorded unearned amounts has been changed to correspond with the terms of the amended agreements. These amendments or future amendments will affect the timing and amount of revenues recognized in connection with these strategic relationships.

As of June 30, 2001, our recorded basis in equity securities was \$50 million, including \$13 million classified as "Marketable securities," \$12 million classified as "Investments in equity-method investees," and \$25 million classified as "Other equity investments."

"Unearned revenue" decreased from \$131 million at December 31, 2000 to \$87 million at June 30, 2001. This decline in "Unearned revenue" is primarily due to the amortization of \$65 million of previously unearned revenue and the write-off of \$22 million of unearned revenue due to the contract termination with Kozmo.com, offset by the receipt of cash consideration or recorded receivables and equity warrant of \$43 million and \$331 thousand, respectively. The revenue is termed "unearned" because it is received in advance of our performance of certain services we have agreed to provide in the future. We have recognized revenue of \$32 million and \$65 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, respectively, that was previously categorized as being "unearned." We have also recognized previously unearned revenue of \$22 million associated with the termination of our commercial agreement with Kozmo.com, which was included in "Other gains, net" on the accompanying consolidated statements of operations. Since services had not yet been performed under the contract, no amounts associated with the Kozmo.com commercial agreement were previously recognized in "Net sales" during any period.

Additional Factors That May Affect Future Results

The following risk factors and other information included in this Quarterly Report should be carefully considered. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our business operations. If any of the following risks occur, our business, financial condition, operating results and cash flows could be materially adversely affected.

We Have an Accumulated Deficit and Anticipate Further Losses

We have incurred significant losses since we began doing business. As of June 30, 2001, we had an accumulated deficit of \$2.7 billion

and our stockholders' equity was a deficit of \$1.4 billion. We are incurring substantial operating losses and, notwithstanding the recent performance of certain of our segments, we may continue to incur such losses for the foreseeable future.

We Have Significant Indebtedness

As of June 30, 2001, we had indebtedness under senior discount notes, convertible notes, capitalized lease obligations and other asset financings totaling approximately \$2.1 billion. We make annual or semi-annual interest payments on the indebtedness under our senior discount notes and our two tranches of convertible notes, which are due in 2008, 2009 and 2010, respectively. We may incur substantial additional debt in the future. Our indebtedness could limit our ability to: obtain necessary additional financing for working capital, capital expenditures, debt service requirements or other purposes in the future; plan for, or react to, changes in technology and in our business and competition; and react in the event of an economic downturn.

We may not be able to meet our debt service obligations. If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow or obtain funds for required payments, or if we fail to comply with other covenants in our indebtedness, we will be in default. In addition, our 6.875% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2010, also known as "PEACS," are denominated in Euros, not U.S. dollars, and the exchange ratio between the Euro and the U.S. dollar is not fixed by the indenture governing the PEACS. Therefore, fluctuations in the Euro/U.S. dollar exchange ratio may adversely affect us. Furthermore, we have invested some of the proceeds from the PEACS in Euro-denominated cash equivalents and marketable securities. Accordingly, as the Euro/U.S. dollar exchange ratio varies, cash equivalents and marketable securities, when translated, may differ materially from expectations.

We Face Intense Competition

The e-commerce market segments in which we compete are relatively new, rapidly evolving and intensely competitive. In addition, the market segments in which we participate are intensely competitive and we have many competitors in different industries, including the Internet and retail industries.

Many of our current and potential competitors have longer operating histories, larger customer bases, greater brand recognition and significantly greater financial, marketing and other resources than we have. They may be able to secure merchandise from vendors on more favorable terms and may be able to adopt more aggressive pricing or inventory policies. They also may be able to devote more resources to technology development and marketing than us.

As these e-commerce market segments continue to grow, other companies may enter into business combinations or alliances that strengthen their competitive positions. We also expect that competition in the e-commerce channel will intensify. As various Internet market segments obtain large, loyal customer bases, participants in those segments may use their market power to expand into the market segments in which we operate. In addition, new and expanded Web technologies may increase the competitive pressures on online retailers. The nature of the Internet as an electronic marketplace facilitates competitive entry and comparison shopping and renders it inherently more competitive than conventional retailing formats. This increased competition may reduce our operating profits or diminish our market segment share.

Our Business Could Suffer if We Are Unsuccessful in Making and Integrating Strategic Alliances

We may enter into strategic alliances with other companies through commercial agreements, joint ventures, investments or business combinations. These transactions create risks such as:

- difficulty assimilating the operations, technology and personnel of combined companies,
- disruption of our ongoing business, including loss of management focus on existing businesses,
- problems retaining key technical and managerial personnel,
- additional operating losses and expenses of acquired businesses,
- impairment of relationships with existing employees, customers and business partners, and
- fluctuations in value and losses that may arise from our equity investments.

We have recently entered into transactions to provide portions of our e-commerce platform to third parties, like Toysrus.com, Inc., Borders Group, Inc. and America Online, Inc., and we may enter into similar transactions in the future. In such transactions, we may perform services such as offering a third party's products or services through our site, operating a website independent of www.amazon.com on behalf of a third party and/or providing technology platform, customer service or fulfillment services for an existing third party website. These arrangements may initially require intense personnel and resource commitments by us, which may constrain the number of such transactions we are able to enter into and may affect our ability to deliver services under the relevent agreements. In addition, we likely will not control all aspects of the customer experience in such arrangements which may harm our brand. Finally, if the third party website, or product or services offering, is not successful, we may not receive all of the compensation we are otherwise due under the terms of the agreement.

The Seasonality of Our Business Places Increased Strain on Our Business

We expect a disproportionate amount of our net sales to be realized during the fourth quarter of our fiscal year. If we do not stock

popular products in sufficient amounts and fail to meet customer demand, it could significantly impact our revenue and our future growth. If we overstock products, we may be required to take significant inventory mark-downs or write-offs, which could reduce gross profits. A failure to optimize inventory at our fulfillment centers will harm our shipping margins by requiring us to make partial shipments from one or more locations. In addition, we may experience a decline in our shipping margins due to complimentary upgrades, split-shipments and additional long-zone shipments necessary to ensure timely delivery for the holiday season. If too many customers access our Web sites within a short period of time due to increased holiday demand, we may experience system interruptions that make our Web sites unavailable or prevent us from efficiently fulfilling orders, which may reduce the volume of goods we sell and the attractiveness of our products and services. In addition, we may be unable to adequately staff our fulfillment and customer service centers during these peak periods.

Our inventory balance increases substantially in advance of the Christmas holiday. Payments for purchases of much of this inventory do not occur until the first quarter of the following fiscal year. Because we are paid for sales of product upon shipment, we anticipate an increase in available cash in the fourth quarter of our fiscal year, followed by a decrease in the following first quarter of our next fiscal year as we make payments for inventory purchased in the immediately preceding fiscal year.

We May Experience Significant Fluctuations in Our Operating Results and Rate of Growth

Due to our limited operating history and the unpredictability of our industry, we may not be able to accurately forecast our net sales or rate of growth. We base our current and future expense levels and our investment plans on estimates of future net sales and rate of growth. Our expenses and investments are to a large extent fixed. We may not be able to adjust our spending quickly if our net sales fall short of our expectations.

In addition, our revenue growth depends on the continued growth of demand for the products offered by us or our partners, and our business is affected by general economic and business conditions throughout the world. A softening of demand, whether caused by a weakening of the global economy in general or the U.S. economy in particular or by changes in consumer preferences, may result in decreased revenue growth. In addition, as we grow, our further penetration of new and existing market segments may become more difficult. Our historical Company-wide revenue growth may not be sustainable and our percentage growth rate may decrease in the future.

Our revenues and operating results will also fluctuate for many other reasons, including:

- our ability to retain and increase sales to existing customers, attract new customers and satisfy our customers demands,
- foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations,
- our ability to acquire merchandise, manage our inventory and fulfill orders,
- the introduction by our competitors of Web sites, products or services,
- changes in usage of the Internet and online services and consumer acceptance of the Internet and e-commerce,
- timing and costs of upgrades and developments in our systems and infrastructure,
- the effects of acquisitions and other business combinations, and our ability to successfully integrate those acquisitions and business combinations,
- technical difficulties, system downtime or Internet brownouts,
- variations in the mix of products and services we sell,
- variations in our level of merchandise and vendor returns, and
- disruptions in service by shipping carriers.

Finally, both seasonal fluctuations in Internet usage and traditional retail seasonality are likely to affect our business. Internet usage generally slows during the summer months. Sales in almost all of our product groups, particularly toys and electronics, usually increase significantly in the fourth calendar quarter of each year.

Our Past and Planned Future Growth Will Place a Significant Strain on our Management, Operational and Financial Resources

We have rapidly and significantly expanded our operations and will endeavor to expand further to pursue growth of our product and service offerings and customer base. Such growth will continue to place a significant strain on our management, operational and financial resources. We also need to train and manage our employee base. Our current and planned personnel, systems, procedures and controls may not be adequate to support and effectively manage our future operations. We may not be able to hire, train, retain, motivate and manage required personnel, which may limit our growth.

In addition, we may not benefit in our newer market segments from the first-to-market advantage that we experienced in the online book channel. Our gross profits in our newer business activities may be lower than in our older business activities. In addition, we may have limited or no experience in new product and service activities and our customers may not favorably receive our new businesses. If this were to occur, it could damage our reputation and negatively impact revenue growth.

The Loss of Key Senior Management Personnel Could Negatively Affect Our Business

We depend on the continued services and performance of our senior management and other key personnel, particularly Jeffrey P. Bezos, our President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board. We do not have "key person" life insurance policies. The loss of any of our executive officers or other key employees could harm our business.

System Interruption and the Lack of Integration and Redundancy in Our Systems May Affect Our Sales

Customer access to our Web sites directly affects the volume of goods we sell and thus affects our net sales. We experience occasional system interruptions that make our Web sites unavailable or prevent us from efficiently fulfilling orders, which may reduce our net sales and the attractiveness of our products and services. To prevent system interruptions, we continually need to: add additional software and hardware; upgrade our systems and network infrastructure to accommodate both increased traffic on our Web sites and increased sales volume; and integrate our systems.

Our computer and communications systems and operations could be damaged or interrupted by fire, flood, power loss, telecommunications failure, break-ins, earthquake and similar events. We do not have backup systems or a formal disaster recovery plan, and we may have inadequate insurance coverage or insurance limits to compensate us for losses from a major interruption. Computer viruses, physical or electronic break-ins and similar disruptions could cause system interruptions, delays and loss of critical data and could prevent us from providing services and accepting and fulfilling customer orders. If this were to occur, it could damage our reputation.

We May Not Be Successful in Our Efforts to Expand into International Market Segments

We plan, over time, to expand our reach in international market segments. We have relatively little experience in purchasing, marketing and distributing products or services for these market segments and may not benefit from any first-to-market advantages. It will be costly to establish international facilities and operations, promote our brand internationally, and develop localized Web sites and stores and other systems. We may not succeed in these efforts. Our net sales from international market segments may not offset the expense of establishing and maintaining the related operations and, therefore, these operations may never be profitable.

Our international sales and related operations are subject to a number of risks inherent in selling abroad, including, but not limited to, risks with respect to:

- currency exchange rate fluctuations,
- local economic and political conditions,
- restrictive governmental actions (such as trade protection measures, including export duties and quotas and custom duties and tariffs).
- import or export licensing requirements,
- limitations on the repatriation of funds,
- difficulty in obtaining distribution and support,
- nationalization,
- longer payment cycles,
- consumer protection laws and restrictions on pricing or discounts,
- lower level of adoption or use of the Internet and other technologies vital to our business, and the lack of appropriate infrastructure to support widespread Internet usage,
- lower level of credit card usage and increased payment risk,
- difficulty in developing employees and simultaneously managing a larger number of unique foreign operations as a result of distance, language and cultural differences,
- laws and policies of the U.S. affecting trade, foreign investment and loans, and
- tax and other laws.

As the international e-commerce channel continues to grow, competition will likely intensify. Local companies may have a substantial competitive advantage because of their greater understanding of, and focus on, the local customer, as well as their more established local brand name recognition. In addition, governments in foreign jurisdictions may regulate e-commerce or other online services in such areas as content, privacy, network security, copyright, encryption, taxation or distribution. We may not be able to hire, train, retain, motivate and manage required personnel, which may limit our growth in international market segments.

Beginning in the fall of 1999, we entered into agreements with selected companies that involved the sale of products and services by these companies on co-branded sections of the Amazon.com Web site and other promotional services, such as advertising placements and customer referrals. In exchange for the services we provide under these agreements, we receive cash, equity securities of these companies, or a combination of the two. In some cases, we have also made separate investments in a strategic partner by making a cash payment in exchange for equity securities of that partner. As part of this program, we may in the future enter into additional agreements with existing strategic partners or new ones and may also make additional investments. To the extent we have received equity securities as compensation, fluctuations in the value of such securities will impact our ultimate realization of cash value either positively or negatively.

We hold several investments in third parties, primarily investments in our strategic partners, that are accounted for using the equity method. Under the equity method, we are required to record our ownership percentage of the income or loss of these companies as being income or loss for us. We record these amounts generally one month in arrears for private companies and three months in arrears for public companies. One of our equity-method investees, drugstore.com, is a public company and three others are private companies. The companies in which we have equity method investments are engaged in the Internet and e-commerce industries, are likely to experience large losses for the foreseeable future and may or may not be ultimately successful. While the future losses we will record under the equity method are limited to the amount of our investment, we expect to record additional equity method losses in the future. Our investments in equity securities that are not accounted for under the equity method are included in "Marketable securities" and "Other equity investments" on our balance sheet.

We regularly review all of our investments in public and private companies for other-than-temporary declines in fair value. When we determine that the decline in fair value of an investment below our accounting basis is other-than-temporary, we reduce the carrying value of the securities we hold and record a loss in the amount of any such decline. During the previous 12 months, we determined that the declines in value of several of our investments in our strategic partners were other-than-temporary, and we recognized losses totaling \$230 million (consisting of \$34 million in the third quarter of 2000, \$155 million in the fourth quarter of 2000, \$36 million in the first quarter of 2001 and \$5 million in the second quarter of 2001) to record these investments at their then current fair value. In addition, three of our strategic partners in which we also had an investment have declared bankruptcy or liquidated.

We had net unrealized losses of \$1 million on available-for-sale equity securities included in accumulated other comprehensive loss as of June 30, 2001, and have recorded equity-method losses of \$23 million for the six months ended June 30, 2001. In recent quarters, companies in the Internet and e-commerce industries have experienced significant difficulties, including difficulties in raising capital to fund expansion or to continue operations. Because the companies in which we have investments are part of the Internet and e-commerce industries, we may conclude in future quarters that the fair values of other of these investments have experienced an other-than-temporary decline. In addition, if our strategic partners experience such difficulties, we may not receive the consideration owed to us and the value of our investment may become worthless. As agreements with strategic partners expire or otherwise terminate, we may be unable to renew or replace these agreements on terms that are as favorable to us.

During 2000 and 2001, we amended several of our agreements with certain of our strategic partners that reduced future cash proceeds to be received by us, shortened the term of our commercial agreements, or both. We may, in the future, enter into further amendments of our commercial agreements. Although these amendments did not impact the amount of unearned revenue previously recorded by us, the timing of revenue recognition of these recorded unearned amounts has been changed to correspond with the terms of the amended agreements.

We Face Significant Inventory Risk Arising Out of Changes in Consumer Demand and Product Cycles

We are exposed to significant inventory risks as a result of seasonality, new product launches, rapid changes in product cycles and changes in consumer tastes with respect to our products. In order to be successful, we must accurately predict these trends and avoid overstocking or understocking products. Demand for products, however, can change significantly between the time inventory is ordered and the date of sale. In addition, when we begin selling a new product, it is particularly difficult to forecast product demand accurately. A failure to optimize inventory will harm our shipping margins by requiring us to make split shipments from one or more locations, complementary upgrades, and additional long-zone shipments necessary to ensure timely delivery. As a result of our agreements with Toysrus.com and Babysrus.com, Toysrus.com will identify, buy, manage and bear the financial risk of inventory for the co-branded toy and video games store and Babysrus.com will identify, buy, manage and bear the financial risk of inventory for the co-branded baby products store. As a result, if Toysrus.com or Babysrus.com fails to forecast product demand or optimize inventory, we would receive reduced service fees under the agreements and our business and reputation could be harmed.

The acquisition of certain types of inventory, or inventory from certain sources, may require significant lead-time and prepayment, and such inventory may not be returnable. We carry a broad selection and significant inventory levels of certain products, such as consumer electronics, and we may be unable to sell products in sufficient quantities or during the relevant selling seasons.

Any one of the factors set forth above may require us to mark down or write off inventory.

If We Do Not Successfully Optimize and Operate Our Fulfillment Centers, Our Business Could Be Harmed

If we do not successfully operate our fulfillment centers, it could significantly limit our ability to meet customer demand. Most of our fulfillment centers are highly automated, and we have had limited experience with automated fulfillment centers. Because it is difficult to predict sales increases, we may not manage our facilities in an optimal way, which may result in excess inventory, warehousing, fulfillment and distribution capacity. In January 2001, we announced our decision to close our fulfillment center in McDonough, Georgia and operate our fulfillment center in Seattle, Washington on a seasonal basis.

We May Not Be Able to Adequately Protect Our Intellectual Property Rights or May Be Accused of Infringing Intellectual Property Rights of Third Parties

We regard our trademarks, service marks, copyrights, patents, trade dress, trade secrets, proprietary technology and similar intellectual property as critical to our success, and we rely on trademark, copyright and patent law, trade secret protection and confidentiality and/or license agreements with our employees, customers, partners and others to protect our proprietary rights. Effective trademark, service mark, copyright, patent and trade secret protection may not be available in every country in which our products and services are made available online. We also may not be able to acquire or maintain appropriate domain names in all countries in which we do business. Furthermore, regulations governing domain names may not protect our trademarks and similar proprietary rights. We may be unable to prevent third parties from acquiring domain names that are similar to, infringe upon or diminish the value of our trademarks and other proprietary rights. The protection of our intellectual property may require the expenditure of significant financial and managerial resources.

Third parties that license our proprietary rights may take actions that diminish the value of our proprietary rights or reputation. In addition, the steps we take to protect our proprietary rights may not be adequate and third parties may infringe or misappropriate our copyrights, trademarks, trade dress, patents and similar proprietary rights. Other parties may claim that we infringed their proprietary rights. We have been subject to claims, and expect to continue to be subject to legal proceedings and claims, regarding alleged infringement by us of the trademarks and other intellectual property rights of third parties. Such claims, whether or not meritorious, may result in the expenditure of significant financial and managerial resources, injunctions against us or the imposition of damages that we must pay. We may need to obtain licenses from third parties who allege that we have infringed their rights, but such licenses may not be available on terms acceptable to us, or at all.

We Have a Limited Operating History and Our Stock Price Is Highly Volatile

We have a relatively short operating history and, as an e-commerce company, we have a rapidly evolving and unpredictable business model. The trading price of our common stock fluctuates significantly. Trading prices of our common stock may fluctuate in response to a number of events and factors, such as:

- changes in interest rates or other general economic conditions,
- conditions or trends in the Internet and the e-commerce industry,
- fluctuations in the stock market in general and market prices for Internet-related companies in particular,
- quarterly variations in operating results,
- new products, services, innovations and strategic developments by our competitors or us, or business combinations and investments by our competitors or us,
- changes in financial estimates by us or securities analysts and recommendations by securities analysts,
- changes in Internet regulation,
- changes in capital structure, including issuance of additional debt or equity to the public,
- additions or departures of key personnel,
- corporate restructurings, including layoffs or closures of facilities,
- changes in the valuation methodology of, or performance by, other e-commerce companies, and
- news and securities analyst reports and rumors relating to general business or Internet trends or our existing or future products or services.

Any of these events may cause our stock price to rise or fall, and may adversely affect our business and financing opportunities.

In conjunction with the current tight labor market, the recent volatility in our stock price could force us to increase our cash compensation to employees or grant larger stock option awards than we have historically, which could hurt our operating results, or reduce the percentage ownership of our existing stockholders, or both. In the first quarter of 2001, we offered a limited non-compulsory exchange of employee stock options. This option exchange offer will result in variable accounting treatment for stock options representing, at June 30, 2001, approximately 13 million shares of the Company's common stock. Variable accounting treatment will result in unpredictable stock-based compensation dependent on fluctuations in quoted prices for the Company's common stock.

Government Regulation of the Internet and E-commerce Is Evolving and Unfavorable Changes Could Harm our Business

We are subject to general business regulations and laws, as well as regulations and laws specifically governing the Internet and e-commerce. Such existing and future laws and regulations may impede the growth of the Internet or other online services. These regulations may cover taxation, user privacy, pricing, content, copyrights, distribution, electronic contracts, consumer protection, and characteristics and quality of products and services. It is not clear how existing laws governing issues such as property ownership, sales and other taxes, libel and

personal privacy apply to the Internet and e-commerce. Unfavorable resolution of these issues may harm our business. In addition, many jurisdictions currently regulate "auctions" and "auctioneers" and may regulate online auction services. Jurisdictions may also regulate consumer-to-consumer fixed price online markets, like zShops. This could, in turn, diminish the demand for our products and services and increase our cost of doing business.

If We Are Required to Collect Taxes in Additional Jurisdictions on the Products We Sell, We May Be Subject to Liability for Past Sales and Our Future Sales May Decrease

In accordance with current industry practice, we do not collect sales taxes or other taxes with respect to shipments of goods into states other than Washington. We collect Value Added Tax, or VAT, for products that are ordered on www.amazon.co.uk, www.amazon.co.uk, www.amazon.co.uk, www.amazon.co.ip and that are shipped into Japan. Our fulfillment center and customer service center networks, and any future expansion of those networks, along with other aspects of our evolving business, may result in additional sales and other tax obligations. One or more states or foreign countries may seek to impose sales or other tax collection obligations on out-of-jurisdiction companies which engage in e-commerce. A successful assertion by one or more states or foreign countries that we should collect sales or other taxes on the sale of merchandise could result in substantial tax liabilities for past sales, decrease our ability to compete with traditional retailers and otherwise harm our business.

Recent federal legislation limits the imposition of U.S. state and local taxes on Internet-related sales. In 1998, Congress passed the Internet Tax Freedom Act, which places a three-year moratorium on state and local taxes on Internet access, unless such tax was already imposed prior to October 1, 1998, and on discriminatory taxes on e-commerce. There is a possibility that Congress may not renew this legislation in 2001. If Congress chooses not to renew this legislation, U.S. state and local governments would be free to impose new taxes on electronically purchased goods. The imposition of taxes on goods sold over the Internet by U.S. state and local governments would create administrative burdens for us and could decrease our future sales.

Various countries are currently evaluating their VAT positions on e-commerce transactions. It is possible that future VAT legislation in these and other countries or changes to our business model may result in additional VAT collection obligations and administrative burdens.

We Source a Significant Portion of Our Inventory from a Few Vendors

Although we continue to increase our direct purchasing from manufacturers, we still source a significant amount of inventory from relatively few vendors. During 2000, approximately 27% of all inventory purchases were made from three major vendors, of which Ingram Book Group accounts for over 10%. We do not have long-term contracts or arrangements with most of our vendors to guarantee the availability of merchandise, particular payment terms or the extension of credit limits. Our current vendors may stop selling merchandise to us on acceptable terms. If that were the case, we may not be able to acquire merchandise from other suppliers in a timely and efficient manner and on acceptable terms.

We May Be Subject to Product Liability Claims if People or Property Are Harmed by the Products We Sell

Some of our products, such as toys, tools, hardware, cell phones and kitchen and houseware products, may expose us to product liability claims relating to personal injury, death or property damage caused by such products, and may require us to take actions such as product recalls. Our strategic partners also may sell products that may indirectly increase our exposure to product liability claims. Although we maintain liability insurance, we cannot be certain that our coverage will be adequate for liabilities actually incurred or that insurance will continue to be available to us on economically reasonable terms, or at all. In addition, some of our vendor agreements with our suppliers do not indemnify us from product liability.

We Could Be Liable for Breaches of Security on Our Web Site and Fraudulent Activities of Users of Our Amazon Payments Program

A fundamental requirement for e-commerce is the secure transmission of confidential information over public networks. Although we have developed systems and processes to prevent fraudulent credit card transactions and other security breaches, failure to mitigate such fraud or breaches may impact our financial results.

The law relating to the liability of providers of online payment services is currently unsettled. We guarantee payments made through Amazon Payments up to certain limits for both buyers and sellers, and we may be unable to prevent users of Amazon Payments from fraudulently receiving goods when payment may not be made to a seller or fraudulently collecting payments when goods may not be shipped to a buyer. Our liability risk will increase as a larger fraction of our sellers use Amazon Payments. Any costs we incur as a result of liability because of our guarantee of payments made through Amazon Payments or otherwise could harm our business. In addition, the functionality of Amazon Payments depends on certain third-party vendors delivering services. If these vendors are unable or unwilling to provide services, Amazon Payments will not be viable (and our businesses that use Amazon Payments may not be viable).

We May Not Be Able to Adapt Quickly Enough to Changing Customer Requirements and Industry Standards

Technology in the e-commerce industry changes rapidly. We may not be able to adapt quickly enough to changing customer requirements and preferences and industry standards. Competitors often introduce new products and services with new technologies. These changes and the emergence of new industry standards and practices could render our existing Web sites and proprietary technology obsolete.

The Internet as a Medium for Commerce Is a Recent Phenomenon

Consumer use of the Internet as a medium for commerce is a recent phenomenon and is subject to a high level of uncertainty. While the number of Internet users has been rising, the Internet infrastructure may not expand fast enough to meet the increased levels of demand. If use of the Internet as a medium for commerce does not continue to grow or grows at a slower rate than we anticipate, our sales would be lower than expected and our business would be harmed.

We Could Be Liable for Unlawful or Fraudulent Activities by Users of Our Marketplace, Auctions and zShops Services

We may be unable to prevent users of our Amazon Marketplace, Auctions and zShops services from selling unlawful goods, or from selling goods in an unlawful manner. We may face civil or criminal liability for unlawful and fraudulent activities by our users. Any costs we incur as a result of liability relating to the sale of unlawful goods, the unlawful sale of goods, the fraudulent receipt of goods or the fraudulent collection of payments could harm our business.

In running our Amazon Marketplace, Auctions and zShops services, we rely on sellers of goods to make accurate representations and provide reliable delivery, and on buyers to pay the agreed purchase price. We do not take responsibility for delivery of payment or goods and while we can suspend or terminate the accounts of users who fail to fulfill their delivery obligations to other users, we cannot require users to make payments or deliver goods. We do not compensate users who believe they have been defrauded by other users except through our guarantee program. Under the guarantee program, fraudulent activities by our users, such as the fraudulent receipt of goods and the fraudulent collection of payments, may create liability for us. In addition, we are aware that governmental agencies are currently investigating the conduct of online auctions and could require changes in the way we conduct this business.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURE OF MARKET RISK

We are exposed to market risk for the impact of interest rate changes, foreign currency fluctuations and changes in the market values of our investments. As a matter of policy, we do not enter into derivative transactions for trading or speculative purposes.

Information relating to quantitative and qualitative disclosure about market risk is set forth below and in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Liquidity and Capital Resources."

Interest Rate Risk

Our exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to our investment portfolio and our long-term debt. All of our cash equivalent and marketable fixed income securities are designated as available for sale and, accordingly, are presented at fair value on our balance sheets. We generally invest our excess cash in A-rated or higher short- to intermediate-term fixed income securities and money market mutual funds. Fixed rate securities may have their fair market value adversely impacted due to a rise in interest rates, and we may suffer losses in principal if forced to sell securities that have declined in market value due to changes in interest rates.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

For the full year 2000 and the three and six months ended June 30, 2001, net sales from our internationally-focused Web sites (www.amazon.co.uk, www.amazon.de, www.amazon.fr, and www.amazon.co.jp) accounted for 14% and 19% of consolidated revenues, respectively. Net sales generated from these Web sites, as well as most of the related expenses incurred, are denominated in the functional currencies of the Web sites. Accordingly, the functional currency of our subsidiaries that operate these Web sites is the same as the functional currency of the Web sites. In addition, our foreign subsidiaries that support these Web sites use their local currencies as their functional currencies. Results of operations from our foreign subsidiaries and our subsidiaries that operate our internationally-focused Web sites are exposed to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations as the financial results of these subsidiaries are translated into U.S. dollars upon consolidation. As exchange rates vary, net sales and other operating results, when translated, may differ materially from expectations. The effect of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations for the year ended December 31, 2000, and six months ended June 30, 2001 was not material.

At June 30, 2001, we were also exposed to foreign currency risk related to our PEACS and Euro denominated cash equivalents and marketable securities ("Euro investments"). The PEACS have an outstanding principal balance of 690 million Euros (\$585 million, based on the exchange rate as of June 30, 2001), and our Euro investments, classified as available-for-sale, had a balance of 570 million Euros (\$483 million, based on the exchange rate as of June 30, 2001). Debt principal of 615 million Euros is remeasured each period, which results in currency gains or losses that are recorded in "Other gains, net." As the Euro/U.S. dollar exchange ratio varies, the value of our Euro investments, when translated, will fluctuate. We hedge the exchange rate risk on debt principal of 75 million Euros and a portion of the interest payments using a cross-currency swap agreement. Under the swap agreement, we agreed to pay at inception and receive upon maturity 75 million Euros in exchange for receiving at inception and paying at maturity \$67 million. In addition, we agreed to receive in February of each year 27 million Euros for interest payments on 390 million Euros of the PEACS and, simultaneously, to pay \$32 million. This agreement is cancelable, in whole or in part, at our option at no cost on or after February 20, 2003 if our common stock price (converted into Euros) is greater than or equal to 84.883 Euros, the minimum conversion price of the PEACS. We account for the swap agreement as a cash flow hedge of the risk of exchange rate fluctuations on the debt principal and interest. Gains and losses on the swap agreement are initially recorded in "Accumulated other comprehensive loss" and recognized in results of operations upon the recognition of the corresponding currency losses and

gains on the remeasurement of the PEACS.

Investment Risk

As of June 30, 2001, our basis in equity securities of other companies was \$50 million, including \$13 million classified as "Marketable securities," \$12 million classified as "Investments in equity-method investees," and \$25 million classified as "Other equity investments." We invest in both private and public companies, including our business partners, primarily for strategic purposes. At June 30, 2001, our investments in securities of publicly-held companies was \$25 million, and our investments in securities of privately-held companies was \$25 million. We have also received securities from some of our strategic partners in exchange for services provided by us to those partners. These investments are accounted for under the equity method if they give us the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control, over an investee. Some of our cost-method investments are in private companies and are accounted for at cost and others are in public companies and are accounted for as available-for-sale securities and recorded at fair value. We regularly review the carrying value of our investments and identify and record losses when events and circumstances indicate that such declines in the fair value of such assets below our accounting basis are other-than-temporary. During the three months and six months ended June 30, 2001, we recorded non-cash impairment losses totaling \$5 million and \$41 million, respectively, to write-down several of our equity securities to fair value. All of these investments are in companies involved in the Internet and e-commerce industries and their fair values are subject to significant fluctuations due to volatility of the stock market and changes in general economic conditions.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

During the first quarter of 2000, *Supnick v. Amazon.com and Alexa Internet* and four similar class action complaints were filed against us and our wholly owned subsidiary, Alexa Internet. The complaints, which were consolidated in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, alleged that Alexa Internet's tracking and storage of Internet Web usage paths violated federal and state statutes prohibiting computer fraud, unfair competition, and unauthorized interception of private electronic communications, as well as common law proscriptions against trespass and invasion of privacy. On or about April 20, 2001, the Court preliminarily approved a settlement of the consolidated class action. The settlement is subject to final approval by the Court.

As previously reported, the Company has received informal inquiries from the Securities and Exchange Commission Staff ("SEC Staff") with respect to accounting treatment and disclosures for some of our initial strategic partner transactions and has been cooperating with the SEC Staff in responding to those inquiries. The Company has reviewed its accounting treatment for the transactions with the Company's independent auditors and the SEC Staff, and believes its accounting treatment and disclosures were appropriate.

On April 12, 2001, the Company received a request from the SEC Staff for the voluntary production of documents and information concerning, among other things, previously reported sales of the Company's common stock by Jeffrey Bezos on February 2 and 5, 2001. The Company is cooperating with the SEC Staff's continuing inquiry.

A number of purported class action complaints were filed by holders of Amazon.com equity and debt securities against the Company, its directors and certain of its senior officers during the six months ended June 30, 2001, in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, alleging that the defendants made false and misleading statements regarding the Company's financial and accounting disclosures in 2000 and early 2001, including disclosures regarding some of the Company's strategic partner transactions. The complaints further allege that the defendants' conduct violated securities laws and seek compensatory damages and injunctive relief against all defendants. The Company disputes the allegations of wrongdoing in these complaints and intends to vigorously defend itself in these matters.

Depending on the amount and the timing, an unfavorable resolution of some or all of these matters could materially affect our business, future results of operations, financial position or cash flows in a particular period.

From time to time, we are subject to other legal proceedings and claims in the ordinary course of business, including claims of alleged infringement of trademarks, copyrights, patents and other intellectual property rights. We currently are not aware of any such legal proceedings or claims that we believe will have, individually or in the aggregate, a material adverse effect on our business, prospects, financial condition or operating results.

ITEM 2. CHANGES IN SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

None.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

The Company's annual meeting of stockholders was held on May 23, 2000.

The following nominees were elected as directors, each to hold office until his or her successor is elected and qualified, by the vote set forth below:

Nominee	For	Withheld
Jeffrey P. Bezos	299,966,274	1,866,094
Tom A. Alberg	299,988,078	1,844,290
Scott D. Cook	299,996,975	1,835,393
L. John Doerr	299,975,891	1,856,477
Patricia Q. Stonesifer	300,200,797	1,631,571

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

(a) Exhibits

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3.2	Restated Bylaws of the Company (incorporated by reference to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 28, 2000)
10.1	Common Stock Purchase Agreement, dated July 23, 2001, between Amazon.com, Inc. and America Online, Inc.
12.1	Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
99.1	Press Release Dated July 23, 2001 Announcing the Company's Second Quarter Financial Results
99.2	Press Release Dated July 23, 2001 Announcing the Company's Strategic Alliance with America Online, Inc.

(b) Reports on Form 8-K

None.

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.

A MAZON . COM , I NC . (Registrant)

Dated: July 23, 2001

/s/ W ARREN C. J ENSON

By:

Warren C. Jenson Senior Vice President, and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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EXHIBIT 10.1

COMMON STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS COMMON S TOCK P URCHASE A GREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made as of the 23rd day of July, 2001 by and between Amazon.com, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and America Online, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Purchaser").

W HEREAS, the Company desires to issue, and the Purchaser desire to acquire, stock of the Company as herein described, on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the Purchaser have entered into a confidentiality agreement dated June 4, 1997 (the "Confidentiality Agreement" and, together with this Agreement, the "Transaction Documents").

NOW, THEREFORE, ITISA GREED between the parties as follows:

1. Purchase and Sale of Shares.

- (a) On the terms and subject to the conditions contained herein, the Purchaser hereby agrees to purchase from the Company, and the Company hereby agrees to sell to the Purchaser, for an aggregate purchase price of One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000) (the "Purchase Amount"), 6,543,646 shares (the "Initial Shares") of common stock of the Company, par value \$0.01 (the "Common Stock"), which number was determined by dividing (i) the Purchase Amount by (ii) \$15.282 and rounding to the nearest whole share. The closing of the purchase of the Initial Shares hereunder (the "Closing"), including payment of the Purchase Amount for and delivery of the Initial Shares, shall occur at the offices of the Company concurrent with the execution of this Agreement and upon the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions contained in Section 5.
- (b) If the average last sale price of the Common Stock on the Nasdaq National Market System ("Nasdaq") as reported on nasdaq.com for the five full trading days following the announcement of the Company's financial results of operations for the period ended June 30, 2001 (the "Five Day Average") is less than \$15.282, then on the second business day following the end of such five-day period, the Company shall deliver to the Purchaser a number of shares of Common Stock (rounded to the nearest whole share) equal to the difference between (i) the number of shares of Common Stock determined by dividing the Purchase Amount by the Five Day Average and (ii) 6,543,646 (the "Subsequent Shares" and, together with Initial Shares, the "Shares"). Any Subsequent Shares delivered shall be registered with the SEC as contemplated by Section 2(k), accepted for inclusion and quotation on Nasdaq and delivered in accordance with Section 5(c)(iy).

2. Company Representations and Warranties. The Company hereby represents and warrants to the Purchaser the following:

(a) Each of the Company and its material subsidiaries (i) is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state of its respective jurisdiction of incorporation, (ii) has full corporate power and authority to conduct its business as

presently conducted and as proposed to be conducted by it and to own, lease and to operate its properties and to enter into, deliver and perform its obligations set forth in this Agreement and to carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and (iii) is duly qualified and in good standing as a foreign corporation authorized to do business in each jurisdiction in which the nature of its business or its ownership or leasing of property requires such qualification, except with respect to clause (iii) and with respect to clauses (i) and (ii) insofar as they relate to subsidiaries, where the failure to be so qualified or in good standing does not and would not reasonably be expected to result in a material adverse effect on (x) the business, condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, assets, liabilities or properties of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or (y) on the timely consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby (a "Material Adverse Effect").

(b) As of July 15, 2001 the authorized capital stock of the Company consisted of (i) 5,000,000,000 shares of Common Stock, of which 362,736,950 shares were issued and outstanding as of July 15, 2001, and (ii) 500,000,000 shares of preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share, which may be issued from time to time in one or more series, of which no shares were issued and outstanding as of July 15, 2001. All of the outstanding shares of Common Stock have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable and were not issued in violation of any preemptive or similar rights. As of July 15, 2001, 41,747,931 shares of Common Stock were reserved for issuance to employees pursuant to outstanding stock options under the Company's stock option plans and 24,164,165 shares of Common Stock were issuable upon or otherwise deliverable in connection with the conversion of outstanding securities that are convertible into Common Stock and the exercise of outstanding warrants. Between July 15, 2001 and the date hereof, no shares of the Company's capital stock were issued other

than pursuant to stock options and warrants already in existence on such date. Between July 15, 2001 and the date hereof, no stock options, warrants or other securities convertible into or exercisable for shares of Common Stock were issued or granted, except for grants of stock options to employees, officers and directors in the ordinary course of business.

- (c) The issuance, sale and delivery of the Shares in accordance with this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Company. The Shares, when issued, sold and delivered against payment therefor in accordance with this Agreement, will be, free and clear of all liens and other encumbrances (except as imposed pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise imposed by the Purchaser), duly and validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable and free from any preemptive rights.
- (d) Neither the Company nor any of its material subsidiaries is, nor after giving effect to the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby will be, (i) in violation of its Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws (each as amended to the date hereof), (ii) in default under the terms of any bond, debenture, note, indenture, mortgage, deed of trust or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound or to which any of its properties is subject or (iii) in violation of any local, state or federal law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, requirement, judgment or court decree or order applicable to the Company or any of its material subsidiaries or any of their assets or properties other than, in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) and with respect to clause (i) insofar as it relates to subsidiaries, any default or violation that would not reasonably be expected to result in Material Adverse Effect. To the knowledge of the Company, except as disclosed in the SEC Documents (as hereinafter defined), there exists no

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condition that, with notice, the passage of time or otherwise, would constitute any such default or violation, except as would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

- (e) The execution, delivery and performance by the Company of this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Company and constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the Company enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to (i) the effect of any bankruptcy or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and (ii) general principles of equity, regardless of whether a matter is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law. The execution of, and consummation of the transactions contemplated by, this Agreement and compliance with its provisions by the Company will not violate, conflict with or result in any breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under (or with notice or the lapse of time or both, would constitute a default), or require a consent or waiver under, or result in the imposition of a lien on any properties of the Company or any of its material subsidiaries, or an acceleration of any indebtedness of the Company or any of its material subsidiaries pursuant to, (i) the Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws of the Company or any such subsidiary (each as amended to the date hereof), (ii) any indenture, lease, agreement or other instrument to which the Company or any of its material subsidiaries is a party or by which any of them or any of their properties is bound, or (iii) in violation of any local, state or federal law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, requirement, judgment or court decree or order applicable to the Company or any such subsidiary or any of their assets or properties, except in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) and with respect to clause (i) insofar as it relates to subsidiaries, for such violations, conflicts, breaches, defaults, consents, impositions of liens or acceleration that would not individually, or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No consent, approval, authorization or order of, or filing, registration, qualification, license or permit of or with, (i) any court or governmental agency, department, commission, board, bureau, official or other instrumentality of any national, federal, provincial, state, local, foreign or international government or body or any political subdivision thereof and any entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of or pertaining to government (each, a "Governmental Authority") or (ii) any other person is required for the execution, delivery and performance by the Company of this Agreement, except where the failure to obtain or make any such consent, approval, authorization or order of, or filing, registration, qualification, license or permit would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (f) The Common Stock is registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is admitted for quotation on the Nasdaq, and the Company has taken no action designed to, or likely to have the effect of, terminating the registration of the Common Stock under the Exchange Act or delisting or disqualifying the Common Stock from Nasdaq, nor has the Company received any notification that the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or Nasdaq is contemplating terminating such registration or admission for quotation.
- (g) The Company has filed with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), all reports, definitive proxy materials and registration statements for all periods ending on or subsequent to December 31, 1999 and on or prior to the date hereof (all of the foregoing being collectively referred to, together with the Company's report on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2001 being filed with the SEC on the date hereof in the form previously provided to the Purchaser (the "Current 10-Q"), as the

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"SEC Documents"), which are all such documents (other than preliminary proxy materials) that the Company was required to file with the SEC since December 31, 1999 through the date of this Agreement. As of their respective filing dates, the SEC Documents complied (or in the case of the Current 10-Q will comply) in all material respects with the requirements of the Exchange Act. None of the SEC Documents contains (or in the case of the Current 10-Q will contain) any untrue statement of a material fact or omits (or in the case of the Current 10-Q will omit) to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading, except to the extent corrected by a SEC Document subsequently filed with the SEC prior to the date hereof but including the Current 10-Q.

- (h) Each of the financial statements, together with the related notes, included in the Company SEC Documents complied as to form in all material respects, as of its date of filing with the SEC, with all applicable accounting requirements and the published rules and regulations of the SEC with respect thereto and present fairly in all material respects the consolidated financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries as of and at the dates indicated and the results of their operations and cash flows for the periods specified. Such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved ("GAAP"), except as may be expressly stated in the related notes thereto. The report of the Company's independent auditors regarding the Company's consolidated financial statements as of the and for the periods ended December 31, 2000 and filed as part of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000 has not been withdrawn, supplemented or modified, and the Company has received no communication from its independent auditors concerning any such withdrawal, supplement or modification.
- (i) Except as may be disclosed in the SEC Documents filed prior to the date hereof but including the Current 10-Q, since December 30, 2000, there has not been, individually or in the aggregate, any Material Adverse Effect or any fact, event, change, development, circumstance or effect that would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (j) There is (i) no action, suit or proceeding before or by any Governmental Authority or arbitration tribunal pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened or contemplated to which the Company or any subsidiary is or would be a party or to which the business or property of the Company or any subsidiary is or would be subject and (ii) no injunction, restraining order, decree, or other order of any nature by a Governmental Authority to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or may be subject or to which the business, assets or property of the Company or any subsidiary are or may be subject, that in either case, (x) is required to be disclosed in the Company's SEC Documents and that is not so disclosed or (y) would reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (k) A registration statement on Form S-3 with respect to, among other securities, Common Stock (including all documents incorporated by reference therein and all information contained in any prospectus or prospectus supplement filed a part or deemed to be a part of such registration statement, each as amended, the "Registration Statement") has (i) been prepared by the Company in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and the rules and regulations, including Rule 415 of the SEC

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thereunder (the "Rules and Regulations"), (ii) been filed with the Commission under the Securities Act and (iii) become effective under the Securities Act. The Company has prepared a prospectus, including one or more prospectus supplement(s), relating to the sale of the Shares hereunder (the "Prospectus"). The Company will file the Prospectus (including any required prospectus supplement relating to the issuance of any Subsequent Shares) with the SEC not later than the time permitted by Rule 424(b) promulgated under the Securities Act. The Company will file the Prospectus with the SEC before 10:30 p.m. Eastern Time on the date hereof; provided that Closing has taken place prior to 12:00 noon Eastern Time on the date hereof. Copies of the Registration Statement and Prospectus have been delivered by the Company to the Purchaser. The Registration Statement conforms, and the Prospectus and any further amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus will, when they become effective or are filed with the SEC, as the case may be, conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act and the Rules and Regulations and do not and will not, as of the applicable effective date (as to the Registration Statement and any amendment thereto) and as of the applicable filing date (as to the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto) and as of the Closing contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading. The issuance of the Shares to the Purchaser has been registered under the Registration Statement and, as a result of such registration, the Shares will be Transferable without restriction under the Securities Act so long as the Purchaser does not become an Affiliate of the Company.

- (I) The Company is not a party to an agreement for, nor involved in any discussions concerning, any transaction that would reasonably be expected to result in a Change of Control (as defined in Section 6(f)).
- (m) As of the date hereof, except as set forth in the Company's SEC Documents filed prior to the date hereof but including the Current 10-Q, neither the Company nor any of its material subsidiaries is a party to or bound by any "material contract" (as term is defined in Item 601 (b)(10) of Regulation S-K of the SEC).

3. Purchaser Representations and Warranties. The Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to the Company the following:

- (a) The Purchaser is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and has full corporate power and authority to conduct its business as presently conducted and as proposed to be conducted by it and to enter into and perform its obligations set forth in this Agreement and to carry out the transactions contemplated hereby. The Purchaser has not been organized, reorganized or recapitalized specifically for the purpose of investing in the Company.
- **(b)** The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action by the Purchaser. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Purchaser and constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the Purchaser enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to (i) the effect of any bankruptcy or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and (ii) general principles of equity, regardless of whether a matter is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law. The execution of, and consummation of the transactions contemplated by, this Agreement and

compliance with its provisions by the Purchaser will not violate, conflict with or result in any breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, or require a consent or waiver under, (i) its Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws (each as amended to the date hereof), (ii) any material indenture, lease, agreement or other instrument to which the Purchaser is a party or by which it or any of its material properties is bound, or (iii) any decree, judgment, order, statute, rule or regulation applicable to the Purchaser, which in the case of clause (ii) or (iii) would have a material adverse effect on (x) the business, condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, assets, liabilities or properties of the Purchaser and its subsidiaries taken as a whole or (y) on the timely consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby (a " Purchaser Material Adverse Effect "). No consent, approval, authorization or order of, or filing, registration, qualification, license or permit of or with, (i) any Governmental Authority or (ii) any other person is required for the execution, delivery and performance by the Purchaser of this Agreement, except where the failure to obtain or make any such consent, approval, authorization or order of, or filing, registration, qualification, license or permit would not reasonably be expected to result in a Purchaser Material Adverse Effect.

- (c) There is no proceeding pending against the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates or, to the Purchaser's knowledge, threatened that in any manner challenges or seeks, or reasonably could be expected, to prevent, enjoin, alter or materially delay any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- (d) Immediately after giving effect to the transactions contemplated hereby, neither the Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates will collectively "beneficially own" (as such term is used in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) more than 5% of the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock (assuming the continuing accuracy of the disclosures set forth in the Current 10-Q of the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding and issuable upon the conversion, exchange or exercise of all securities convertible into, exchangeable for or exercisable for the purchase of Common Stock).
- **4. Investment Representations of the Purchaser.** In connection with the purchase of the Shares, the Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to the Company the following:
- (a) The Purchaser has reviewed the SEC Documents, and has acquired sufficient information about the Company to reach an informed and knowledgeable decision to purchase the Shares. The Purchaser has had access to information about the Company and its Affiliates that it has requested and has had an opportunity to discuss the business affairs and financial condition of the Company and its Affiliates with the officers of the Company.
- **(b)** The Purchaser is able to fend for itself in the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and has the ability to bear the economic risks of its investment in the Shares pursuant to this Agreement.
- (c) The Purchaser is acquiring the Shares solely for the purpose of investment (as defined in 16 CFR 801.1(i)(1)) and has no present intention of participating in the formulation, determination or direction of the basic business decisions of the Company.
- (d) The Purchaser has received and reviewed a copy of the prospectus, dated July 10, 1999, contained in the Registration Statement, as supplemented by the prospectus

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supplement dated July 23, 2001 (the "Company Prospectus"). The Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that the Company has not and will not provide the Purchaser or any other person or entity with a prospectus for use by such person or entity in selling any of the Shares.

5. Conditions to Closing .

- (a) The obligation of each party to this Agreement to consummate the purchase and sale of Initial Shares at the Closing shall be subject to the satisfaction at or prior to the Closing of the following conditions:
 - (i) No temporary restraining order, preliminary or permanent injunction or other order issued by any Governmental Authority or other legal or regulatory restraint or prohibition preventing the issuance and sale of the Shares shall be in effect. There shall be no action, suit or other proceeding pending in or before any Governmental Authority or arbitration tribunal against or involving either the Company or the Purchaser that in any manner challenges or seeks to prevent, enjoin, alter or materially delay the consummation of the transactions contemplated to occur at the Closing and the enforceability of the rights and obligations as contemplated by this Agreement, and neither the Company nor the Purchaser (nor any of their respective Affiliates) shall have received notice of any such threatened proceeding;
 - (ii) The issuance of the Shares shall be exempt from the notification requirements of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976; and
 - (iii) All other notices, reports and other filings required to be made prior to the Closing with, and all consents, registrations, approvals, permits and authorizations required to be obtained prior to the Closing from, any Governmental Authority for the issuance and sale of the Shares in accordance with the terms hereof shall have been made or received and remain in effect as of the date of Closing.

- **(b)** The obligation of the Company to consummate the purchase and sale of Shares at the Closing shall be subject to the satisfaction at or prior to the Closing of the following conditions:
 - (i) The Purchaser shall have delivered a certificate of an officer of the Purchaser confirming that the representations and warranties of the Purchaser set forth in Sections 3 and 4 hereof are true and correct as of the date of Closing; and
 - (ii) The Purchaser shall have delivered the Purchase Amount to the Company by wire transfer of immediately available U.S. federal funds.
- (c) The obligation of the Purchaser to consummate the purchase and sale of Shares at the Closing shall be subject to the satisfaction at or prior to the Closing of the following conditions:
 - (i) Such Shares shall have been accepted for and approved for inclusion and quotation on the Nasdaq;

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- (ii) The Company shall have delivered to the Purchaser a certificate of the chief financial officer of the Company confirming that the representations and warranties of the Company set forth in Section 2 hereof are true and correct as of the date of Closing;
- (iii) The Purchaser shall have received an opinion of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A dated the date of Closing; and
- (iv) The Company shall have delivered to the Purchaser a stock certificate representing the Shares or in lieu thereof shall have caused a book entry evidencing the Purchaser's ownership of the Shares to be entered in the books and records of such broker-dealer as shall have been identified by the Purchaser for such purpose.

6. Limitations on Transfer.

- (a) During the period from the date hereof until the second (2nd) anniversary hereof (the "Lock-Up Period"), the Purchaser agrees (on behalf of itself and its Affiliates), with respect to the Shares purchased on the date hereof, not to (i) offer, sell, transfer, agree to sell or transfer, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, assign, pledge, hypothecate or otherwise transfer or dispose of (including the deposit of any such Shares into a voting trust or similar arrangement), directly or indirectly, any of such Shares or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable therefor, or any interest therein or (ii) enter into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of owning any of such Shares, whether any such transaction described in clause (i) or (ii) of this sentence is to be settled by delivery of such Shares or other shares of Common Stock or other securities, in cash or otherwise (any transactions described in such clauses (i) and (ii) being referred to herein as a "Transfer").
 - (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6(a), the Purchaser and any of its Affiliates may:
 - (i) enter into transactions (including without limitation swaps, options, puts, calls, cashless collars, forward contracts, prepaid forward contracts, futures contracts, shorts, lending or borrowing of Shares and similar transactions and instruments) that are entered into for bona fide hedging purposes (collectively, " Hedging Transactions") with respect to Shares at any average reference price provided that the aggregate number of Shares subject to all Hedging Transactions entered into by the Purchaser and its Affiliates on any day may not exceed 10% of the average daily trading volume on the Nasdaq of the Common Stock for the thirty (30) trading days immediately preceding such day, and settle such Hedging Transactions in accordance with their terms, and monetize its interest in such Hedging Transactions;
 - (ii) enter into Hedging Transactions each involving shares of Common Stock having a value (based on the closing price on the Nasdaq of the Common Stock on the trading day immediately preceding the date of such transaction) of \$25,000,000 or more at an average reference price per share that is not lower than 90% of the closing price on the Nasdaq of the Common Stock on the trading day immediately preceding the date of entering into such

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transaction, and settle such Hedging Transactions in accordance with their terms, and monetize its interest in such Hedging Transactions:

(iii) pledge Shares pursuant to a bona fide financing transaction with an independent third party bank or other financial institution or in connection with any Hedging Transaction; provided that (except in connection with a Hedging Transaction) the pledgee agrees in writing with the Company to be bound by the terms of this Section 6 and the terms of Section 8;

- (iv) Transfer Shares for the purpose of a bona fide financing transaction, bona fide credit enhancement or to bona fide limit balance sheet or profit and loss statement effects on the Purchaser or its Affiliates of the investment in the Company, in each case, to a special purpose entity wholly or partially owned, directly or indirectly, by the Purchaser or one of its Affiliates to which is also transferred other investments of the Purchaser or its Affiliates; provided that such special purpose entity agrees in writing with the Company to be bound by the terms of this Section 6 and the terms of Sections 7 and 8; and provided, further, that to the knowledge of the Purchaser or such transferring Affiliate, as the case may be, after reasonable inquiry (taking into account the nature of the transaction), the person that directly or indirectly controls such special purpose entity or any "group" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) of which such person or its parent or subsidiary entities is a member is not and would not become the "beneficial owner" (as such term is used in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) of five percent (5%) or more of all the issued and outstanding Common Stock after giving effect to such Transfer, unless such controlling person or group is permitted to disclose its beneficial ownership of Common Stock pursuant to Schedule 13G under the Exchange Act and such controlling person or group would not, upon consummation of such Transfer of Shares, be required to report its beneficial ownership of Common Stock and the Shares pursuant to Schedule 13D under the Exchange Act; and provided, further, that such special purpose entity will be considered an Affiliate of the Purchaser for purposes of Section 7(a)(i); and
 - (v) issue securities that are convertible into or exchangeable or redeemable for any or all of the Shares if:
 - (A) such securities are issued in a bona fide registered underwritten public offering or in a bona fide offering conducted under Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act through an investment banking firm of national reputation, or
 - (B) such securities are issued in one or more bona fide private transactions to an independent third party bank, insurance company other financial institution or similar purchaser in a bona fide financing transaction (the "Issuee"), but only if either (1) to the knowledge of the Purchaser and its Affiliates after reasonable inquiry (taking into account the nature of the transaction), the Issuee and its Affiliates and all "groups" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) of which such Issuee or any of its Affiliates is a member is not and would not become the "beneficial owner" (as such term is used in Rule 13d-3 under

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the Exchange Act, but determined on the assumption that such securities are convertible into or exchangeable for or redeemable for shares of Common Stock within sixty (60) days of the issuance thereof to such Issuee whether or not such securities are so convertible, exchangeable or redeemable) of five percent (5%) or more of all the issued and outstanding Common Stock after giving effect to such issuance or (2) such Issuee and its Affiliates are, or such group is, permitted to disclose their respective beneficial ownership of Common Stock pursuant to Schedule 13G under the Exchange Act and such Issuee and its Affiliates or such group would not, upon consummation of the issuance of such securities, be required to report its beneficial ownership of Common Stock pursuant to Schedule 13D under the Exchange Act (with such beneficial ownership being determined on the assumption that such securities are convertible into or exchangeable for or redeemable for shares of Common Stock within sixty (60) days of the issuance thereof to such Issuee whether or not such securities are so convertible, exchangeable or redeemable).

- (c) Following expiration of the Lock-Up Period and without limiting the provisions of Section 6(b), the Purchaser and its Affiliates may Transfer all or any part of the Shares in any manner without restriction; provided, however, that without the prior written consent of the Company:
 - (i) except for individual sales (including, without limitation, Hedging Transactions, block sales or underwritten offerings) of shares of Common Stock having a value (based on the closing price on the Nasdaq of the Common Stock on the trading day immediately preceding the date of such sale) of \$25,000,000 or more at a price per share that is not lower than 90% of the closing price on the NASDAQ of the Common Stock on the trading day immediately preceding the date of such sale, the Purchaser and its Affiliates may not sell in the aggregate on any trading day more than 10% of the average daily trading volume on the NASDAQ of the Common Stock for the thirty (30) trading days immediately preceding such day; and
 - (ii) in no event shall the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates Transfer (on the NASDAQ or otherwise) any Shares to any transferee if, to the knowledge of the Purchaser or such transferring Affiliate, as the case may be, after reasonable inquiry (taking into account the nature of the transaction), the transferee or a "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) that directly or indirectly controls such transferee or any "group" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) of which such transferee or its parent or subsidiary entities is a member is or would become the "beneficial owner" (as such term is used in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) of five percent (5%) or more of all the issued and outstanding Common Stock after giving effect to such Transfer, unless such transferee, controlling person or group is permitted to disclose its beneficial ownership of Common Stock pursuant to Schedule 13G under the Exchange Act and such transferee, controlling person or group would not, upon consummation of the Transfer of the Shares, be required to report its beneficial ownership of Common Stock and the Shares pursuant to Schedule 13D under the Exchange Act.

- (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6(b) and without regard to whether the Lock-Up Period shall have expired, the Purchaser agrees that at the request of the representative of the underwriters (which will specify whether a road show is planned) of Common Stock (or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock) in a registered underwritten sale for the account of the Company neither the Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates will Transfer any of the Shares for a period specified by the representative of the underwriters of such Common Stock (or other securities) commencing on the public announcement of such registered underwritten sale and ending (x) ten (10) trading days on Nasdaq thereafter if such registered underwritten sale will not be accomplished through a "road show" presented to prospective purchasers by the Company and its underwriters or (y) twenty (20) trading days on Nasdaq thereafter if such underwritten sale will be accomplished through a "road show" presented to prospective purchasers by the Company and its underwriters (each a "Section 6(d) Lock-up"). The obligations described in this Section 6(d) shall not apply to a registration relating solely to employee benefit plans on Form S-1 or Form S-8 or similar forms that may be promulgated in the future, or a registration relating solely to a transaction described in Rule 145 promulgated under the Securities Act on Form S-4 or similar forms that may be promulgated in the future. The Company may impose stop-transfer instructions with respect to the shares of capital stock (or other securities) subject to the foregoing restriction until the end of the period specified in such agreements. The Company agrees that (i) the restrictions under this Section 6(d) shall in no event be applicable for the first ten (10) trading days on Nasdaq following the Closing, (ii) the Purchaser and its Affiliates shall not be subject to restrictions under this Section 6(d) on more than one occasion in any twelve (12) month period and (iii) the restrictions under this Section 6(d) shall not restrict the closing or settlement of a Transfer permitted by this Section 6 which is entered into prior to the effectiveness of any Section 6(d) Lock-up. In the event the Purchaser has entered into a Transfer that has not closed or settled at the commencement of any Section 6(d) Lock-up, the Purchaser will notify the Company of such Transfer not later than one (1) trading day on Nasdaq after its receipt of notice of such Section 6(d) Lock-up.
 - (e) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Purchaser and its Affiliates may Transfer Shares:
 - (i) to any Affiliate of the Purchaser, provided such Affiliate agrees in writing to be bound by the terms of this Agreement (and if, at any time after such Transfer, such Affiliate is no longer an Affiliate of the Purchaser, to ensure that such Shares are Transferred back to the Purchaser or one of its other Affiliates in accordance with the requirements of this Section 6(e), unless the Purchaser would be permitted by another provision of this Section 6 to dispose of the Shares in such manner);
 - (ii) pursuant to a Third Party Tender Offer that is recommended by the Board of Directors of the Company;
 - (iii) to the Company or an agent acting on the Company's behalf;
 - (iv) pursuant to a merger, consolidation, reorganization or plan of liquidation or similar transaction to which the Company is a party; or

(v) in any private transaction to any person who agrees in writing with the Company to be bound by the provisions of this Section 6 and Sections 7 and 8 but only if either (A) to the knowledge of the Purchaser or such transferring Affiliate, as the case may be, after reasonable inquiry (taking into account the nature of the transaction), the transferee and its Affiliates and all "groups" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) of which such transferee or Affiliates is a member is not and would not become the "beneficial owner" (as such term is used in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) of five percent (5%) or more of all the issued and outstanding Common Stock after giving effect to such Transfer or (B) such transferee and its Affiliates are, or such group is, permitted to disclose their respective beneficial ownership of Common Stock pursuant to Schedule 13G under the Exchange Act and such transferee and its Affiliates or group would not, upon consummation of the Transfer of the Shares, be required to report their respective beneficial ownership of Common Stock and the Shares pursuant to Schedule 13D under the Exchange Act.

The term "Third Party Tender Offer" means a bona fide public offer subject to the provisions of Regulation 14D or 14E under the Exchange Act, by a person (which is not made by and does not include the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates or any group that includes as a member the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates) to purchase or exchange for cash or other consideration any securities of the Company.

(f) The restrictions on Transfer set forth in Sections 6(a), (b), (c) and (d) shall terminate upon the earliest to occur of: (i) a Change of Control of the Company, (ii) the Company's announcement or approval of any transaction that would constitute a Change of Control or any definitive agreement that provides for a Change of Control, (iii) (A) the E-Commerce Services Agreement between NV Services, Inc. and America Online, Inc., dated as of the date hereof (the "Services Agreement"), shall have been terminated pursuant to Section 12.2 thereof due to a material breach (as defined in the Services Agreement) by NV Services, Inc., (B) the Platform Integration Agreement, between NV Services, Inc. and America Online, Inc., dated as of the date hereof (the "Platform Integration Agreement"), shall have been terminated pursuant to Section 12.3 thereof as a result of a material breach (as defined in the Platform Integration Agreement) by NV Services, Inc. or (C) the Promotion and Distribution Agreement between Amazon.com LLC and America Online, Inc., dated as of the date hereof (the "Promotion Agreement") shall have been terminated pursuant to Section 4.3 thereof as a result of the material breach by Amazon.com LLC of the exclusivity provisions of Section 1.6 thereof or numbered paragraph 3 of Exhibit A-1 thereto, or (iv) an event described in Section 12.3 of the Services Agreement with respect to the Company shall have occurred and any applicable cure period specified therein shall have lapsed. The Company agrees to give prompt written notice to the Purchaser of the occurrence of any event specified in clauses (i), (ii) or (iv) above. As

used herein, "Change of Control" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following events:

(i) any "person" or "group" (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act, is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the total voting power of the outstanding capital stock of the Company or 50% of the total number of outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company; provided that, with respect to the beneficial ownership by Jeffrey P. Bezos, any of his family members and any trust established for the benefit of any of his family members, such percentage shall be 60% (it being understood for the avoidance of

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doubt that any other person who is a member of a group of which Jeffrey P. Bezos, such family members or trust is also a member shall not benefit from this proviso);

- (ii) the Company merges with or into, or consolidates with, or consummates any reorganization or similar transaction with, another person and, immediately after giving effect to such transaction, less than 50% of the total voting power of the outstanding capital stock of the surviving or resulting person is "beneficially owned" (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) in the aggregate by the stockholders of the Company immediately prior to such transaction;
- (iii) in one transaction or a series of related transactions, the Company, directly or indirectly (including through one or more of its subsidiaries) sells, assigns, conveys, transfers, leases or otherwise disposes of, all or substantially all of the assets or properties (including capital stock of subsidiaries) of the Company, but excluding sales, assignments, conveyances, transfers, leases or other dispositions of assets or properties (including capital stock of subsidiaries) by the Company or any of its subsidiaries to any direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company;
- (iv) during any period of two consecutive years or less, individuals who at the beginning of such period constituted the Board of Directors of the Company (together with any new directors whose election by such Board of Directors or whose nomination for election by the stockholders of the Company was approved by a vote of a majority of the directors then still in office who were directors at the beginning of such period, other than in connection with a transaction described in (i), (ii) or (iii) above) cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the Board of Directors of the Company then in office; or
 - (v) the liquidation or dissolution of the Company.
- (g) The Company shall not be required to (i) transfer on its books any Shares that shall have been transferred in violation of any of the provisions set forth in this Agreement or (ii) treat as owner of such Shares, or to accord the right to vote or to pay dividends to, any transferee to whom such Shares shall have been so transferred.
- (h) All certificates representing the Shares shall have endorsed thereon legends in substantially the following forms (in addition to any other legend which may be required by any other agreements between the parties hereto):

"THE SHARES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE MAY NOT BE SOLD, ASSIGNED, TRANSFERRED, ENCUMBERED OR DISPOSED OF IN ANY MANNER EXCEPT IN CONFORMITY WITH THE TERMS OF THE COMMON STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT DATED AS OF JULY 23, 2001. THE COMPANY WILL UPON WRITTEN REQUEST FURNISH A COPY OF SUCH AGREEMENT TO THE HOLDER OF THIS CERTIFICATE WITHOUT CHARGE."

The Company shall be entitled to provide stop transfer instructions to the transfer agents of its Common Stock that are consistent with the terms of this Agreement. In the event any of the Shares are Transferred in compliance with this Agreement in a manner which under the terms of this Agreement does not require such third party to agree in writing to be bound by the provisions of this Section 6, then the Company shall issue a new certificate representing such

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Shares without such legend or make the appropriate electronic notation that such legend is removed and remove such stop transfer instructions with respect thereto.

(i) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Purchaser hereby agrees that neither it nor any of its Affiliates will Transfer any of the Shares except in compliance with applicable securities laws.

7. Standstill Agreements.

(a) The Purchaser (on behalf of itself and its Affiliates) hereby agrees that, from the date of this Agreement until the second (2nd)

anniversary of the date hereof, neither the Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates, will:

- (i) purchase or otherwise acquire beneficial or record ownership of any shares of the capital stock of the Company or any other securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for any capital stock of the Company (excluding shares and securities received by way of stock dividend, stock reclassification or other distributions or offerings made available on a pro rata basis to the Company's stockholders) if, after giving effect thereto, the Purchaser, its Affiliates and all groups of which the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates is a member would beneficially own in the aggregate in excess of 5% of such class of capital stock or such class of other securities;
- (ii) make, or in any way participate in, directly or indirectly in concert with others (including by or through any group of which the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates is a member), any "solicitation" of "proxies" (as such terms are defined or used in Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act) to vote securities of the Company or to provide or withhold consents with respect to securities of the Company, or seek to advise or influence any person or entity with respect to the voting of or the providing or withholding consent with respect to, any securities of the Company;
- (iii) either directly or indirectly in concert with others (including by or through any group of which the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates is a member) make any offer with respect to, or make or submit a proposal with respect to, or ask or request any other person to make an offer or proposal with respect to any acquisition of a significant amount of securities or assets of the Company or any of its Affiliates, including in connection with any extraordinary transaction, such as a merger, reorganization, recapitalization, tender or exchange offer or asset disposition involving the Company or any of its Affiliates that, if consummated, such acquisition, transaction, merger, reorganization, recapitalization, tender or exchange offer or asset disposition would constitute a Change of Control of the Company (an "Extraordinary Transaction");
- (iv) either directly or indirectly in concert with others (including by or through any group of which the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates is a member) seek representation on the Company's Board of Directors or any of its controlled Affiliates or otherwise act alone or in concert with others (including by or through any group of which the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates is a member) to seek to control or influence the management or Board of Directors of the Company or any of its controlled Affiliates;

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- (v) either directly or indirectly in concert with others (including by or through any group of which the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates is a member) request that the Company terminate or waive compliance by the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates of its obligations under this Section 7(a), or otherwise propose any amendment hereto that would have the foregoing effect; or
- (vi) either directly or indirectly in concert with others (including by or through any group of which the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates is a member) publicly announce or disclose any intention, plan or arrangement inconsistent with the foregoing.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7(a) nothing herein shall prohibit or restrict the Purchaser or its Affiliates from:
 - (i) making any disclosure pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act which the Purchaser or such Affiliate reasonably believes, based on the advice of independent legal counsel, is required in connection with any action taken by the Purchaser or such Affiliate that is not inconsistent with this Agreement; or
 - (ii) submitting a confidential inquiry or proposal to the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company or the Company's Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer with respect to an Extraordinary Transaction so long as the Purchaser, after consultation with independent legal counsel, reasonably believes that such inquiry or proposal would not require disclosure by the Purchaser; provided that, notwithstanding clause (i) of this Section 7(b), the Purchaser and its Affiliates shall treat such inquiry or proposal as confidential and none of them shall, directly or indirectly, make any public statement with respect to such proposal (or the approval or rejection thereof) unless the same is approved in advance in writing by the Board of Directors of the Company or the Company shall make a public statement (other than a "no comment" statement) with respect to such inquiry or proposal. The Company agrees that the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company or its Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer, as the case may be, shall promptly communicate any such inquiry or proposal received from the Purchaser or one of its Affiliates to all the members of the Board of Directors.
- (c) This Section 7 shall terminate and the restrictions contained herein shall cease to apply upon the earliest to occur of: (i) the Company entering into a definitive agreement with respect to an Extraordinary Transaction, (ii) any person (other than the Purchaser or its Affiliates) making an unsolicited public offer for an Extraordinary Transaction, and following due consideration by Board of Directors of the Company of such offer, the Board of Directors of the Company does not publicly recommend against acceptance of such offer, (iii) a Change of Control of the Company, (iv) (A) the Services Agreement shall have been terminated pursuant to Section 12.2 thereof due to a material breach (as defined in the Services Agreement) by NV Services, Inc., (B) the Platform Integration Agreement shall have been terminated pursuant to Section 12.3 thereof as a result of a material breach (as defined in the Platform Integration Agreement) by NV Services, Inc. or (C) the Promotion Agreement shall have been terminated pursuant to Section 4.3 thereof as a result of the material breach by Amazon.com LLC of the exclusivity provisions of Section 1.6 thereof or numbered paragraph 3 of Exhibit A-1 thereto, or (v) an event described in Section 12.3 of the Services Agreement with respect to the Company shall have occurred and any applicable cure period specified therein shall have lapsed.

This Section 7 shall be suspended and the restrictions contained herein shall cease to apply during the period in which any of the following has occurred and is continuing: (w) any offer or proposal for an Extraordinary Transaction by any person other than the Purchaser or its Affiliates becomes publicly known, (x) the Company engages an investment banker for the purpose of seeking an Extraordinary Transaction and the Company or such investment banker solicits offers or proposals for an Extraordinary Transaction from three or more persons (not including the Purchaser or its Affiliates), (y) the Company publicly discloses that it is seeking an Extraordinary Transaction or exploring other similar strategic alternatives (but excluding strategic alternatives that would not involve a Change of Control), or (z) a Third Party Tender Offer is commenced. The restrictions contained in this Section 7 shall be reinstated on the date on which the Company publicly announces or gives the Purchaser confidential notice that: (A) in the case of clause (w) that such offer or proposal has been rejected and that negotiations with respect thereto have terminated; (B) in the case of clause (x) or (y) that the Company is no longer seeking an Extraordinary Transaction or exploring such strategic alternatives. In the case of clause (z), the restriction shall be reinstated on the date that such Third Party Tender Offer has been terminated.

(d) The Company agrees to give prompt written notice to the Purchaser of the occurrence of any event specified in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (v) of the first paragraph of Section 7(c) above.

8. Miscellaneous.

(a) Notices. All notices and other communications required or permitted under either of the Transaction Documents shall be in writing and shall be (i) mailed by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, (ii) sent by facsimile or telecopier, with written receipt of confirmation, (iii) sent by email, confirmed by facsimile or telecopier, with written receipt of confirmation or (iv) otherwise delivered by hand or by messenger or a nationally recognized overnight courier, addressed or telecopied as follows:

If to the Company:

Amazon.com, Inc. 1200 12th Avenue South Suite 1200 Seattle, Washington 98144 Attention: General Counsel Telecopier: (206) 266-7010 email: wilson@amazon.com

with a copy to:

Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP 333 S. Grand Ave. Los Angeles, California 90071 Attention: Bruce D. Meyer, Esq. Telecopier: (213) 229-7520 email: bmeyer@gibsondunn.com

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If to the Purchaser:

America Online, Inc. 22000 AOL Way Dulles, Virginia 20166 Attention: General Counsel Telecopier: (703) 265-3229 email: Rboe@aol.com

with a copy to:

Simpson Thacher & Bartlett 425 Lexington Avenue New York, New York 10017 Attention: Peter S. Malloy, Esq. Telecopier: (212) 455-2502 Email: pmalloy@stblaw.com

A copy of any notice or communication sent by email must also be sent within two (2) business days thereafter by registered or certified mail,

postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or delivered personally to the person to whom such notice or communication is being given at its address set forth above. If notice is provided by mail, notice shall be deemed to have been given five (5) business days after proper deposit with the United States mail. If notice is provided by a nationally recognized overnight courier, notice shall be deemed to have been given two (2) business days after deposit with such courier. If notice is provided personally, such notice shall be deemed to have been given immediately upon personal delivery thereof to the party at the address provided above. If notice is provided by telecopier, notice shall be deemed to have been given upon confirmation by the telecopier machine of the receipt of such notice at the telecopier number provided above. If notice is provided by email, notice shall be deemed to have been given upon confirmation by the sender's email program of the receipt of such notice at the email address provided above. A party hereto may change the addresses to which its notices are to be directed by written notice complying with the terms of this Section 8(a).

- (b) Governing Law and Venue. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. The parties hereby agree that any action brought by either party to interpret or enforce any provision of this Agreement shall be brought in, and each party agrees to, and does hereby, irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of, the appropriate state or federal court located in the Borough of Manhattan in New York, New York.
- (c) Waiver of Jury Trial . Each party acknowledges and agrees that any controversy arising under this Agreement is likely to involve complicated and difficult issues, and therefore each such party hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives any right such party may have to a trial by jury in respect of any litigation directly or indirectly arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Each party certifies and acknowledges that (i) no representative, agent or attorney of the other party has represented, expressly or otherwise, that such other party would not, in the event of litigation, seek to enforce the foregoing waiver, (ii) each such party understands and has considered the implications of this waiver, (iii) each such party

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makes this waiver voluntarily, and (iv) each such party has been induced to enter into this Agreement by, among other things, the waivers and certifications in this Section 8(c).

- (d) Certain Definitions. For purposes of this Agreement, an "Affiliate" of a person is (i) any other person or entity (each a "Controlling Person") who, directly or indirectly, is in control of such person and (ii) all entities that are direct or indirect subsidiaries of such Controlling Person. For purposes of this Agreement, an entity will be deemed to be a subsidiary of a Controlling Person if more than 50% of any class of the capital stock or other equity interests of such entity are "beneficially owned" directly or indirectly by such Controlling Person or if such Controlling Person and its other direct or indirect subsidiaries have the right to elect a majority of the members of the board of directors or other governing body of such entity whether by ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "control" shall have the meaning ascribed to it by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "beneficial ownership" (or any variant thereof) shall have the meaning ascribed to it by Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act.
- **(e) Further Actions.** Subject to the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement, the parties hereto agree to cooperate and take all such further actions and execute any additional instruments as may reasonably be necessary to carry out, consummate and give effect to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- (f) Fees and Expenses. Each party hereto shall bear its own out-of-pocket costs and expenses incident to the preparation, negotiation and execution of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents.
- (g) Finder's Fees. The Company and the Purchaser each represent to the other that neither it nor any of its Affiliates nor any of their respective officers, directors, employees or representatives has incurred any liability to any third party for any finders', brokers', investment banking or other similar fees, compensation or commissions in relation to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Each of the Company and the Purchaser shall indemnify and hold the other harmless from any liability for any such fees, compensation or commissions (including the costs, expenses and legal fees of defending against such liability) for which the Company or the Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates or any of their respective officers, directors, employees or representatives, as the case may be, is responsible or which arise by reason of their actions or alleged actions.
- (h) Entire Agreement; Amendment. This Agreement and the other Transaction Documents (including the Exhibits hereto) constitute the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof or thereof and supersede and merge all prior agreements or understandings, whether written or oral. This Agreement may not be amended, modified or revoked, in whole or in part, except by an agreement in writing signed by each of the parties hereto.
- (i) Specific Performance. Each of the parties acknowledges and agrees that the other party hereto would be damaged irreparably in the event any of the provisions of this Agreement are not performed in accordance with their specific terms or otherwise are breached. Accordingly, each of the parties hereto agrees that the other party hereto shall be entitled to an injunction to prevent breaches of the provisions of this Agreement and to enforce specifically

which they may be entitled at law or in equity.

- (j) Waivers. No waiver of any breach or default hereunder shall be considered valid unless in writing, and no such waiver shall be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach or default of the same or similar nature.
- (k) Severability. If any provision of this Agreement shall be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall attach only to such provision and shall not in any manner affect or render invalid or unenforceable any other severable provision of this Agreement, and this Agreement shall be carried out as if any such invalid or unenforceable provision were not contained herein.
- (1) Parties In Interest. The Transaction Documents shall be binding upon and inure solely to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective permitted successors and assigns, and nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other person or entity any right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.
- (m) Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed by facsimile and in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original for all purposes, but all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
- (n) Headings. The Section headings contained herein are for the purposes of convenience of reference only and are not intended to define or limit the contents of said Sections.
- (o) **Publicity.** Neither party hereto shall issue any press release or otherwise make any statements to any third party or any public disclosure with respect to either of the Transaction Documents or the Commercial Agreements or the transactions contemplated thereby, other than the issuance by the Company and the Purchaser of a joint press release announcing this Agreement in a form acceptable to the Company and the Purchaser, or as required by applicable law.
- (p) Termination and Survival. The provisions of this Agreement shall survive the Closing and thereafter, except as provided in the next two sentences, this Agreement and all the provisions herein shall terminate and be of no further force or effect at such time as none of the Purchaser or any of its Affiliates beneficially owns any of the Shares. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Sections 6, 7 and 8 hereof shall continue to bind any person to whom the Shares have been Transferred and who has agreed in accordance with this Agreement to be bound by the provisions Sections 6, 7 or 8 for so long as such person beneficially owns any of the Shares. Notwithstanding the first sentence of this paragraph, but without limitation to the rights the Purchaser may otherwise have under applicable law, the representations and warranties made by the Company in Section 2 hereof shall survive the Closing and any earlier termination of the Agreement and shall expire on the first anniversary of the Closing and no claim may thereafter be made in respect thereof; provided that the representations and warranties contained in Section 2(c) and the first sentence of Section 2(e) shall survive indefinitely.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

A MAZON. COM, I NC.

Ву:	/s/ Warren C. Jenson
Name:	Warren C. Jenson
Title:_	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
A MEI	RICA O NLINE, I NC.
Ву:	/s/ Lynda Clarizio

Lynda Clarizio

Name:_		
Title:	Senior Vice President	

EXHIBIT 12.1

Ratio of Earnings To Fixed Charges

	Six Months		Year En	ded December 3	1,	
	Ended June 30, 2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996
Net loss Equity in losses of equity-method	\$(402,490)	\$(1,411,273)	(amounts in tho \$(719,968)	\$(124,546)	\$(31,020)	\$(6,246)
investees	23,490	304,596	76,769	2,905		
Net loss before equity in losses of equity-method investees	(379,000)	(1,106,677)	(643,199)	(121,641)	(31,020)	(6,246)
Plus fixed charges: Interest expense including amortization of debt						
issuance costs Assumed interest element	68,896	130,921	84,566	26,639	326	5
included in rent expense	5,339	10,773	4,732	2,833	700	90
	74,235	141,694	89,298	29,472	1,026	95
Adjusted earnings (loss) Fixed charges	(304,765) (74,235)	(964,983) (141,694)	(553,901) (89,298)	(92,169) (29,472)	(29,994) (1,026)	(6,151) (95)
Deficiency in earnings to cover fixed charges	\$(379,000)	\$(1,106,677)	\$(643,199)	\$(121,641)	\$(31,020)	\$(6,246)

EXHIBIT 99.1

AMAZON.COM RELEASES 2001 SECOND QUARTER RESULTS

Pro Forma Operating Loss Improves to \$28 Million; Used Orders Approximately 10% of Total U.S. Orders; Expands Strategic Alliance with America Online

SEATTLE – (Business Wire) – July 23, 2001 – Amazon.com, Inc. (Nasdaq: AMZN) today announced financial results for its second quarter ended June 30, 2001. Net sales were within the range of the company's guidance, increasing 16 percent to \$668 million, compared with \$578 million in the second quarter of 2000. Pro forma loss from operations improved by 69 percent to \$28 million, or 4 percent of net sales, compared with \$89 million, or 15 percent of net sales in the second quarter of 2000.

Pro forma net loss, which includes net interest expense, improved by 50 percent to \$58 million, or \$0.16 per share, compared with \$116 million, or \$0.33 per share in the second quarter of 2000. Net loss (GAAP) for the quarter improved by 47 percent to \$168 million, or \$0.47 per share, from \$317 million, or \$0.91 per share. A detailed reconciliation of GAAP to pro forma is included with the attached financial statements.

"We continue to make progress toward reaching pro forma operating profitability in the fourth quarter of 2001," said Warren Jenson,

Amazon.com's chief financial officer. "This quarter, the U.S. was profitable on a pro forma operating basis for the first time, and this is our sixth sequential quarter of improved absolute pro forma operating results."

"We thank our over 21 million customers who have purchased in the last year, more than 1 million of whom have purchased a used product from one of our more than 60,000 Amazon Marketplace sellers" said David Risher, Amazon.com's senior vice president of marketing and merchandising. "In fact, this quarter, roughly 10 percent of our U.S. orders were for a used product, and we're very pleased that so many of our customers have embraced this option."

Today the company also announced an expanded strategic alliance with America Online, Inc., a subsidiary of AOL Time Warner (NYSE: AOL). Amazon.com's e-commerce platform will power America Online's Shop@ destinations. America Online, Inc., also invested \$100 million in Amazon.com common stock, priced at the lower of \$15.282 per share or the average closing price of Amazon.com common stock from July 24 to July 30, 2001. The common stock was sold pursuant to a registration statement that Amazon.com previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"We've worked hard to build the easiest-to-use, most customer-focused and technologically sophisticated e-commerce platform," said Jeff Bezos, founder and CEO of Amazon.com. "We are pleased that today's alliance with America Online will bring many of these same benefits to AOL's merchants and more than 30 million members."

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Highlights of Second Quarter Results (comparisons are with the second quarter of 2000)

- Net sales rose 16% to \$668 million, from \$578 million.
- Net sales from international sites rose 75% to \$128 million, from \$73 million.
- Worldwide, 2.6 million new customers ordered, including 900,000 new International customers.
- Gross profit increased 32% to \$180 million, from \$136 million.
- Fulfillment costs improved to 13% of net sales, from 15% of net sales.
- Pro forma loss from operations improved by 69% to \$28 million, or 4% of net sales, compared with \$89 million, or 15% of net sales.
- U.S. (U.S. Retail and Services segments combined) pro forma operating results improved to a \$2 million profit, from a loss of \$55 million.
- Pro forma net loss, which includes net interest and other expense of \$30 million, improved by 50% to \$58 million, or \$0.16 per share, compared with \$116 million, or \$0.33 per share.
- Net loss (GAAP) narrowed to \$168 million, or \$0.47 per share, down from \$317 million, or \$0.91 per share, an improvement of 47%.
- Annualized inventory turns improved to 14, compared with 10.
- Cash and marketable securities were \$609 million at June 30, 2001.

Business Outlook

The following forward-looking statements reflect Amazon.com's expectations as of July 23, 2001. Given the potential changes in general economic conditions and consumer spending, the emerging nature of online retail and the various other risk factors discussed below, actual results may differ materially. The company intends to continue its practice of not updating forward-looking statements other than in publicly available statements.

Third Quarter 2001 Expectations

- Net sales are expected to be between \$625 million and \$675 million.
- Gross margin is expected to be between 24 and 27 percent of net sales.
- Absolute pro forma operating losses are expected to be approximately flat with to very slightly down from the second quarter of 2001.
- Cash and marketable securities, including the \$100 million investment from America Online, Inc., announced today, are expected to be over \$600 million at September 30, 2001.

Fourth Quarter 2001 Expectations

- Net sales are expected to increase between 10 percent and 20 percent over the fourth quarter of 2000.
- Pro forma operating profitability is expected for the quarter.
- Cash and marketable securities, including the \$100 million investment from America Online, Inc., announced today, are expected to be approximately \$900 million at December 31, 2001.

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These forward-looking statements are inherently difficult to predict. Actual results could differ materially for a variety of reasons, including, among others, the rate of growth of the Internet and online commerce, customer spending patterns, the amount that Amazon.com invests in new business opportunities and the timing of those investments, the mix of products sold to customers, the mix of net sales derived from products as compared with services, risks of inventory management, the degree to which the company enters into service relationships and other strategic

transactions, fluctuations in the value of securities and non-cash payments Amazon.com receives in connection with such transactions, foreign currency exchange risks, and risks of fulfillment throughput and productivity. Other risks and uncertainties include, among others, Amazon.com's anticipated losses, significant amount of indebtedness, competition, seasonality, potential fluctuations in operating results, management of potential growth, system interruption, consumer trends, fulfillment center optimization, inventory, limited operating history, fraud and Amazon Payments, new business areas, international expansion, business combinations, strategic alliances and strategic partnerships. More information about factors that potentially could affect Amazon.com's financial results is included in Amazon.com's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000, and all subsequent filings, including Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q.

Pro Forma Results

Pro forma information regarding Amazon.com's results from operations is provided as a complement to results provided in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). Pro forma operating loss excludes stock-based compensation costs, amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, and restructuring-related and other costs. Management measures the progress of the business using this pro forma information.

Pro forma net loss excludes stock-based compensation costs, amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, restructuring-related and other costs, other gains, equity in losses of equity-method investees, and the cumulative effect of change in accounting principle.

Conference Call

A conference call to discuss second quarter 2001 financial results and 2001 business outlook will be Webcast live on Monday, July 23, 2001, at 5:00 p.m. EDT/2:00 p.m. PDT. This conference call will be available at www.amazon.com/ir through September 30, 2001, and will contain forward-looking statements and other material information.

About Amazon.com

Amazon.com (Nasdaq: AMZN) opened its virtual doors on the World Wide Web in July 1995 and today offers Earth's Biggest Selection, along with online auctions and free electronic greeting cards. Amazon.com seeks to be the world's most customer-centric company, where customers can find and discover anything they might want to buy

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online. Amazon.com and sellers list millions of unique new and used items in categories such as electronics, kitchen and housewares, books, music, DVDs, videos, camera and photo items, toys, software, computer and video games, cell phones and service, tools and hardware, and outdoor living products. Through Amazon Marketplace, zShops and Auctions, any business or individual can sell virtually anything to Amazon.com's over 35 million cumulative customer accounts, and with Amazon Payments, sellers can accept credit card transactions, avoiding the hassles of offline payments.

Amazon.com operates four international Web sites: www.amazon.co.uk, www.amazon.de, www.amazon.fr and www.amazon.co.jp. It also operates the Internet Movie Database (www.imdb.com), the Web's comprehensive and authoritative source of information on more than 275,000 movies and entertainment titles and 1 million cast and crew members dating from the birth of film.

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AMAZON.COM, INC. Supplemental Financial Information and Business Metrics (unaudited) (in millions, except per share data)

	2000		_		Y/Y
Q2	Q3	Q4	•	Q2 2001	Growth %

Results of Operations	_						
Net sales	\$	578\$	638\$	972	\$ 700	\$ 668	16%
Net sales — trailing twelve months (TTM)	\$	2,184\$	2,466\$	2,762	\$ 2,888	\$ 2,978	36%
Net sales outside the U.S. (including .com export sales) — % of		,	,	ĺ	,	. ,	
net sales		23%	23%	21%	26%	28%	N/A
Gross profit	\$	136\$	167\$	224	\$ 183	\$ 180	32%
Gross margin — % of net sales		23.5%	26.2%	23.1%	26.1%	26.9%	N/A
Fulfillment costs — % of net sales		15.2%	15.1%	13.5%	14.0%	12.8%	N/A
Pro forma operating expenses	\$	225\$	236\$	284	\$ 231	\$ 208	(8%)
Pro forma operating loss	\$	(89)\$	(68)\$	(60)	\$ (49)	\$ (28)	(69%)
Pro forma operating loss — % of net sales	(15.5%)(10.7%)		(6.9%)	(4.2%)	N/A
Pro forma net loss	\$	(116)\$	(89)\$	(90)	\$ (76)	\$ (58)	(50%)
Pro forma net loss per share	\$	(0.33)\$	(0.25)\$	(0.25)	\$ (0.21)	\$ (0.16)	(52%)
GAAP net loss	\$	(317)\$	(241)\$	(545)	\$ (234)	\$ (168)	(47%)
GAAP net loss per share	\$	(0.91)\$	(0.68)\$	(1.53)	\$ (0.66)	\$ (0.47)	(48%)
U.S. books, music and DVD/video (US BMVD) segment:							
US BMVD net sales	\$	385\$	400\$	512	\$ 410	\$ 390	1%
US BMVD gross profit	\$	87 \$	109\$	139	\$ 109	\$ 111	28%
US BMVD pro forma operating income — % of US BMVD net							
sales		3%	6%	8%	7%	10%	N/A
U.S. electronics, tools and kitchen (US ETK) segment:							
US ETK net sales	\$	92\$	98\$			\$ 111	21%
US ETK gross profit	\$	6\$	9\$	22	\$ 17	\$ 13	117%
US ETK pro forma operating loss — % of US ETK net sales		(75%)	(62%)	(33%)	(39%)	(37%)	N/A
Services segment:							
Services net sales	\$	27\$					44%
Services gross profit	\$	27 \$					(4%)
Services pro forma operating income — % of services net sales		15%	14%	18%	10%	11%	N/A
U.S. Retail and Services combined pro forma operating income							
(loss) — % of U.S. Retail and Services net sales		(11%)	(5%)	(2%)	(2%)	0%	N/A
International segment:							
International net sales	\$	73 \$					75%
International gross profit	\$	16\$	19\$	26	\$ 28	\$ 29	81%
International pro forma operating loss — % of international net							
sales		(47%)	(45%)	(30%)	(26%)	(23%)	N/A

AMAZON.COM, INC. Supplemental Financial Information and Business Metrics (unaudited)

(in millions, except cost per new customer account, net sales per active customer account, inventory turnover, accounts payable days, and employee data)

	2000					Y/Y
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1 2001	Q2 2001	Growth %
Customer Data						
New customer accounts	2.5	2.9	4.1	3.0	2.6	4%
Cumulative customer accounts	22.5	25.4	29.5	32.5	35.1	56%
Active customer accounts — TTM	17.0	18.2	19.8	20.5	21.1	24%
New customer accounts — international	0.6	0.9	1.1	1.0	0.9	50%

Cumulative customer accounts — international	3.0	3.9	5.0	6.0	6.9	130%
Active customer accounts — international — TTM	2.7	3.3	4.2	4.9	5.4	100%
Cost per new customer account	\$ 17	\$ 15	\$ 13	\$ 12	\$ 14	(18%)
Net sales (excluding catalog sales and inventory sales to						
Toysrus.com) per active customer account — TTM	\$ 125	\$ 130	\$ 134	\$ 135	\$ 136	9%
U.S. customers purchasing from non-US BMVD stores	13%	14%	36%	19%	21%	N/A
Balance Sheet						
Cash and marketable securities	\$ 908	\$ 900	\$1,101	\$ 643	\$ 609	(33%)
Inventory, net	\$ 172	\$ 164	\$ 175	\$ 156	\$ 129	(25%)
Inventory — % of net sales	30%	26%	18%	22%	19%	N/A
Inventory turnover — annualized	10.3	11.2	17.7	12.6	13.7	33%
Fixed assets, net	\$ 344	\$ 352	\$ 366	\$ 304	\$ 292	(15%)
Accounts payable days — ending	59	60	60	45	48	(19%)
Cash Flows						
Cash generated by (used in) operations	\$ (54)	\$ (4)	\$ 248	\$ (407)	\$ 2	104%
Cash used in operations — TTM	\$(418)	\$(347)	\$(130)	\$ (217)	\$ (161)	(61%)
Purchases of fixed assets	\$ (29)	\$ (42)	\$ (37)	\$ (19)	\$ (10)	(66%)
Other						
Employees (full-time and part-time)	7,700	8,500	9,000	8,600	7,800	1%

AMAZON.COM, INC. Financial and Operational Highlights Second Quarter Ended June 30, 2001 (unaudited)

Results of Operations (all comparisons are with the second quarter of 2000)

Net Sales

- · Orders from repeat customers represented 80% of total, up from 78%.
- · Shipping revenue across all segments was approximately \$76 million, up from \$73 million.
- · Cash-based portion of Services revenues was approximately 80%, up from 27%; non-cash Services revenues were approximately 20%, down from 73%.

Gross Profit

- · Gross margin, excluding the results of our Services segment, would have been 24%, up from 20%.
- · Shipping gross loss was approximately \$2 million, down from gross profit of \$7 million. We will from time to time continue to offer shipping promotions to our customers and may continue to experience fluctuating shipping margins.

Fulfillment

Fulfillment costs represent those costs incurred in operating and staffing our fulfillment and customer service centers, including costs attributable to receiving, inspecting and warehousing inventories; picking, packaging and

preparing customers' orders for shipment; credit card fees and bad debt costs; and responding to inquiries from customers.

• Fulfillment costs amounted to approximately 13% of net sales, down from 15% of net sales; excluding net sales from our Services segment, fulfillment costs would have been approximately 14%, down from 16%.

Stock-Based Compensation

• During the first quarter of 2001, we offered a limited non-compulsory exchange of employee stock options. This option exchange offer results in variable accounting treatment for approximately 13 million stock options at June 30, 2001, which includes approximately 12 million options granted under the exchange offer with an exercise price of \$13.375, and options that were subject to the exchange offer but were not exchanged. Variable accounting treatment will result in unpredictable charges or credits, recorded to "Stock-based compensation," dependent on fluctuations in quoted prices for our common stock.

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• Stock-based compensation includes stock-based charges resulting from variable accounting treatment, option-related deferred compensation recorded at our initial public offering, and certain other compensation and severance arrangements. Stock-based compensation also includes the portion of acquisition-related consideration conditioned on the continued tenure of key employees of certain of our acquired businesses. During the quarter, stock-based compensation related to variable accounting treatment was \$4 million, and the termination of certain acquisition-related employees prior to vesting in stock-based compensation awards had the effect of reducing stock-based compensation to \$2 million.

Amortization of Goodwill and Other Intangibles

• The Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" which requires use of a non-amortization approach to account for purchased goodwill and certain intangibles, effective January 1, 2002. We expect the adoption of this accounting standard will have the impact, commencing January 1, 2002, of reducing to zero our amortization of goodwill and significantly reducing our amortization of intangibles.

Restructuring-Related and Other

- We continued the implementation of our operational restructuring plan to reduce our operating costs, streamline our organizational structure and consolidate certain of our fulfillment and customer service operations. As a result of this initiative, we recorded restructuring and other charges of approximately \$114 million during the first quarter and \$59 million during the second quarter of 2001. This initiative involved the reduction of employee staff by approximately 1,300 positions throughout the Company in managerial, professional, clerical, technical and fulfillment roles; consolidation of our Seattle corporate office locations; closure of our McDonough, Georgia, fulfillment center; seasonal operation of our Seattle fulfillment center; closure of our customer service centers in Seattle and The Hague, Netherlands; and migration of a large portion of our technology infrastructure to a Linux-based operating platform, which entails ongoing lease obligations for equipment no longer utilized. Each component of the restructuring plan has been substantially completed as of June 30, 2001.
- Costs that relate to ongoing operations are not part of restructuring and other charges. All inventory adjustments
 that may result from the closure or seasonal operation of our fulfillment centers are classified in "Cost of goods
 sold" on the consolidated statements of operations. There were no significant inventory write-downs resulting
 from the restructuring.

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· For the quarter ended June 30, 2001, the charges associated with our restructuring were as follows (in thousands):

Asset impairments	\$7,225
Continuing lease obligations	49,713
Termination benefits	(327)
Broker commissions, professional fees and other miscellaneous restructuring costs	2,039
	\$58,650

- Continuing lease obligations primarily relate to technology infrastructure no longer being utilized. Where possible, we are actively seeking third parties to sublease abandoned equipment. Amounts expensed represent estimates of undiscounted future cash outflows, offset by anticipated third-party subleases.
- · We anticipate the restructuring charges will result in the following net cash outflows:

(in thousands)

	Termination				
	<u>Leases</u>	Benefits	<u>Other</u>	Total	
Year Ending December 31,					
2001	\$35,678	\$12,108	\$4,630	\$52,416	
2002	34,059	78	3,538	37,675	
2003	4,643	_		4,643	
2004	1,589	_		1,589	
2005	1,563	_	_	1,563	
Thereafter	6,473	_		6,473	
Total estimated cash outflows	\$84,005	\$12,186	\$8,168	\$104,359	

First and second quarter 2001 cash payments resulting from the restructuring, which are included in the above amounts, were \$10 million and \$11 million, respectively.

Net Interest Expense and Other

· Other expense primarily relates to net realized gains and losses on sales of marketable securities, miscellaneous operating taxes and foreign currency transaction losses.

Other Gains

Other gains, net were \$11 million for the three months ended June 30, 2001, consisting of the following (in thousands):

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Foreign currency gain on PEACS	\$22,876
Foreign currency losses on conversion of Euro-denominated investments	(6,216)
Other than temporary impairment losses, equity investments	(4,858)
Warrant remeasurements and other	(487)

· As of June 30, 2001, our recorded basis in our investment in Webvan Group, Inc., was reduced to zero as Webvan Group, Inc. ceased operations and announced their intentions to file for bankruptcy. We do not expect to recover any portion of our investment in Webvan Group, Inc.

Equity in Losses of Equity-Method Investees

• Equity in losses of equity-method investees represents our share of losses of companies in which we have investments that give us the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control, over an investee. Equity-method losses reduce our underlying investment balances until the recorded basis is reduced to zero.

Loss Per Share

- The effect of stock options is antidilutive and, accordingly, is excluded from diluted loss per share. If the effect of stock options was included, the number of shares used in computation of diluted loss per share would have been approximately 376 million, compared with 360 million shares used in computation of basic and diluted loss per share for the three months ended June 30, 2001.
- · Common stock subject to vested and unvested employee stock options was approximately 42 million shares, or 12% of our outstanding common stock as of June 30, 2001.

Financial Condition

Cash and Marketable Securities

- · Cash and marketable securities are impacted by the effect of quarterly fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, particularly the Euro.
- · Our marketable securities, at fair value, consist of the following, as of June 30, 2001 (in thousands):

Corporate notes and bonds	\$ 14,898
Asset-backed and agency securities	34,346
Treasury notes and bonds	83,950
Equity securities	12,826
	\$146,020

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Certain Definitions and Other

- · Our segment reporting includes four segments: U.S. Books, Music and DVD/Video; U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen; International; and Services. Allocation methodologies are consistent with past presentations.
- The U.S. Books, Music and DVD/Video segment includes revenues, direct costs and cost allocations associated with retail sales from www.amazon.com for books, music and DVD/video products, and includes amounts earned on sales of similar products sold through Amazon Marketplace.
- The U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segment includes revenues, direct costs and cost allocations associated with www.amazon.com retail sales of Electronics (consumer electronics products, camera and photo items,

software, computer and video games, and cell phones and related service), Tools (tools and hardware) and Kitchen (kitchen and housewares products and outdoor living items) products, toys and video games sold other than through our Toysrus.com strategic alliance, and new initiatives, and includes amounts earned on sales of similar products sold through Amazon Marketplace.

- · U.S. Retail represents the combination of the U.S. Books, Music and DVD/Video segment and the U.S. Electronics, Tools and Kitchen segment.
- The Services segment includes revenues, direct costs and cost allocations associated with the Company's business-to-business strategic relationships, including our strategic alliance with Toysrus.com, and miscellaneous advertising revenues, as well as amounts from Amazon Auctions, zShops and Payments. Amounts earned from the Services segment are attributed to the U.S.
- · U.S. represents the combination of U.S. Retail and the Services segment.
- The International segment includes all revenues, direct costs and cost allocations associated with the retail sales of the Company's four internationally focused sites: www.amazon.de, www.amazon.fr, www.amazon.co.jp and www.amazon.co.uk.
- Trailing twelve-month sales per active customer account figures include all amounts earned through Internet sales, including revenue earned from our strategic relationships with selected companies, but exclude catalog sales and sales of inventory to Toysrus.com.
- All references to customers mean customer accounts. Customer accounts exclude the customers of selected companies with whom we have strategic relationships, and customer accounts of our catalog businesses, but include customer accounts shared with Toysrus.com and customers of Amazon Auctions, zShops and Marketplace services.

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EXHIBIT 99.2

AMERICA ONLINE AND AMAZON.COM ANNOUNCE EXPANDED STRATEGIC ALLIANCE THAT WILL CREATE NEW SHOPPING EXPERIENCE FOR ONLINE CONSUMERS

Industry's Two E-Commerce Leaders Partner to Take AOL's Online Shopping to the Next Level, Combining Amazon.com's Industry-Leading Technology with AOL's Millions of Online Shoppers, Popular Shopping Destinations and Technology

America Online Makes \$100 Million Equity Investment in Amazon.com

SEATTLE, WA and DULLES, VA, July 23, 2001— Amazon.com, Inc. (www.amazon.com) and America Online, the world's leading interactive services company, today announced a new multi year strategic alliance through which the industry's two e-commerce leaders will team up to develop and offer an enhanced online shopping experience for users of America Online's interactive brands. The new agreement will join Amazon.com's industry-leading platform and online retail expertise with America Online's technology and popular shopping environment to provide an even better online experience for America Online's 30 million members, millions of visitors to its Web-based brands and hundreds of retailers. This new agreement expands on the successful marketing relationship begun between the two companies in 1997.

The companies also announced that America Online has made a \$100 million equity investment in Amazon.com common stock.

In addition, America Online and Amazon.com will continue to work together on future e-commerce initiatives to benefit consumers, such as marketing initiatives, customer authentication and wallet services, and extending the alliance internationally.

The companies will combine tailored elements of Amazon.com's powerful and innovative e-commerce technology platform with AOL's understanding of online consumers and popular shopping destinations, to create a rich, multi merchant e-commerce experience for users of Shop@AOL on the AOL service, AOL.COM, CompuServe and Netscape.com, beginning in the 2002 holiday shopping season. Consumers will benefit from Amazon.com's unique Search and Personalization technology as well as product comparisons, ratings, and review services. AOL members spent a record \$7.8 billion shopping online in the three months ending in June 2001.

In addition, Amazon.com will promote AOL as its exclusive ISP, allowing Amazon.com customers to download the AOL service from areas across Amazon.com with a few simple mouse-clicks. Amazon.com will also promote an online boutique offering a variety of AOL Time

Warner products and services, including service subscriptions. The two companies have an existing promotional alliance under which Amazon.com's broad selection of products is promoted across several America Online, Inc. brands, including AOL.COM, Netscape.com, and CompuServe.

Amazon.com will continue to own and operate its technology while providing America Online with Search results, Personalization features, product comparisons, ratings, and reviews to enhance the online shopping experience for AOL and CompuServe members and users of America Online's Web-based brands.

Barry Schuler, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of America Online. Inc., said, "Amazon.com provides one of the best user experiences for shopping in the online world. This agreement will enable us to offer Amazon.com's services to our online shoppers, and this, combined with the wide product catalog provided by our merchant partners, will create the best online shopping experience in cyberspace. With almost 75 percent of AOL members shopping online—and spending almost \$8 billion in the last quarter—it's clear that our members are ready to take advantage of the next-generation shopping opportunities that we'll provide together with Amazon.com. At the same time, we're building on America Online's successful retail strategy, so that, in addition to being marketed through more than 25,000 offline retailers, AOL will now be promoted by the leading online retailer as well."

"This is an excellent new relationship for our Platform Services Group," said Jeff Bezos, CEO and founder of Amazon.com. "Amazon.com's ecommerce platform is a unique asset that we've spent more than six years refining. As our recent alliances with Borders and Toysrus.com reflect, we have a demonstrated ability to meet the specific business needs of leading companies. America Online is a true Internet pioneer and we're incredibly excited to be working with them."

About America Online

America Online, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of AOL Time Warner, Inc. (NYSE: AOL). Based in Dulles, Virginia, America Online is the world's leader in interactive services, Web brands, Internet technologies and e-commerce services.

About Amazon.com

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Amazon.com operates four international Web sites: www.amazon.co.uk, www.amazon.de, www.amazon.fr and www.amazon.co.jp. It also operates the Internet Movie Database (www.imdb.com), the Web's comprehensive and authoritative source of information on more than 275,000 movies and entertainment titles and 1 million cast and crew members dating from the birth of film.

This announcement contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Actual results may differ significantly from management's expectations. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that include, among others, Amazon.com's anticipated losses, significant amount of indebtedness, competition, strategic alliances, strategic partnerships and business combinations, seasonality, potential fluctuations in operating results and rate of growth, management of potential growth, risks of system interruption, international expansion, consumer trends, risk of fulfillment center optimization, inventory risks, limited operating history, risks related to fraud and Amazon.com Payments, and risks of new business areas. More information about factors that potentially could affect Amazon.com's financial results is included in Amazon.com's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000, and all subsequent Ouarterly Reports on Form 10-O.

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